



Shade Guide

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Watering

Watering in the shade can be tricky. If the shade garden is under a tree, more watering may be needed because the plants are competing with the tree for water and nutrients. Overwatering can cause shallow roots and make plants more susceptible to diseases. When watering a slow deep watering is optimal for soil saturation. The soil should be kept moist but not water logged, check daily and if needed water. A 3" layer of mulch will help to keep the soil moist and reduce weed growth. Make sure you keep mulch pulled away from the stems of shrubs and tree trunks.

VINES	PLANT INFO
Akebia	Part Shade
Clematis	Part Shade
Honeysuckle	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Hydrangea, Climbing	Full Shade, Part Shade
Ivy, Boston	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Silver Lace Vine	Part Shade, Deer resistant

GROUND COVER	PLANT INFO
Ajuga	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Houttuynia	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Ivy, English	Full Shade, Part Shade
Lamium	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Lily of the Valley	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Lirope	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Myrtle	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Pachysandra	Full Shade, Part Shade, Clay tolerant, Deer resistant
Sweet Woodruff	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Plumbago	Part Shade, Clay tolerant, Deer resistant

TREES	PLANT INFO
Serviceberry	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Dogwood	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Beech	Part Shade
Hydrangea Tree	Part Shade
Magnolia	Part Shade
Japanese Maple	Part Shade
Redbud	Part Shade
Fir	Part Shade
Hemlock	Part Shade

Shade Gardening

Gardening in the shade can be difficult but there are a lot of plants that can tolerate and even thrive in the shade. Before planning a shade garden it is important to know the different types of shade and what plants will grow in those areas.

Full Shade - Plants need less than 4 hours of direct sunlight. No afternoon sun.

Part Shade - These plants need 4 - 6 hours of sun. Avoid hot afternoon sun.

SHRUBS	PLANT INFO
Aronia	Part Shade, Clay tolerant
Azalea	Part Shade
Boxwood	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Buckthorn	Part Shade
Cotoneaster	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Deutzia	Part Shade, Deer resistant, Clay tolerant
Dogwood	Part Shade, Deer resistant, Clay tolerant
Fothergilla	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Diervilla	Full Shade, Part Shade, Clay tolerant, Deer resistant
Hydrangea	Part Shade
Hypericum	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Kerria	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Sweetspire	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Viburnum	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Clethra	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Euonymous	Full Shade, Part Shade
Holly	Part Shade
Pieris	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Rhododendron	Part Shade
Yew	Full Shade, Part Shade
Falsecypress	Part Shade
Witch hazel	Part Shade
Oregon Grapeholly	Part Shade
Siberian Cypress	Part Shade
Techny Arborvitae	Part Shade, Clay tolerant
Coralberry	Part Shade, Deer resistant, Clay tolerant
Elderberry	Part Shade, Deer resistant, Clay tolerant

PERENNIALS	PLANT INFO
Aneome	Full Shade, Part Shade
Aster	Part Shade, Clay tolerant, Deer resistant
Astilbe	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Barrenwort	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Bear's Breech	Part Shade
Bergenia	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Bleeding Heart	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Brunnera	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Coral Bells	Part to Full Shade, depends on variety
Columbine	Full Shade, Part Shade
Corydalis	Full Shade, Part Shade
Cimicifuga	Full Shade, Part Shade
Daylily	Full Shade, Part Shade, Clay tolerant
Fern	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Fingerleaf	Part Shade
Foamflower	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Foxglove	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Geranium	Full Shade, Part Shade, Clay tolerant, Deer resistant
Goat's Beard	Full Shade, Part Shade, Clay tolerant, Deer resistant
Globeflower	Part Shade
Helleborus	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Hosta	Full Shade, Part Shade, Clay tolerant
Iris	Part Shade, Clay tolerant, Deer resistant
Japanese Forest Grass	Part Shade
Jacob's Ladder	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Lady's Mantle	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Ligularia	Part Shade
Lobelia	Part Shade
Leopard's Bane	Part Shade
Marsh Marigold	Full Shade, Part Shade
Meadowrue	Part Shade
Ornamental Strawberry	Full Shade, Part Shade
Peony	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Pulmonaria	Full Shade, Part Shade, Deer resistant
Solomon's Seal	Full Shade, Part Shade
Spiderwort	Part Shade
Toad Lily	Part Shade, Deer resistant
Turtlehead	Part Shade, Clay tolerant
Viola	Full Shade, Part Shade
Wild Ginger	Full Shade, Part Shade