

# Northwest Native Plants

## Gray Barn Green Thumb Guide



The Pacific Northwest has a rich and diverse flora. Our native plants range from the great Western Red Cedar to the delicate understory Trillium. Landscaping with natives is beneficial because:

- Natives are adapted to our climate of wet winters and dry summers.
- Natives require less water than non-natives once established.
- Native plants resist native pests and diseases better.
- Natives are preferable for the environment, requiring less fertilizers and pesticides.
- Natives save resources and encourage a sense of stewardship.
- Native plants offer a variety of shapes, sizes and colors for the garden.
- Native plants attract wildlife, providing both food and shelter.
- Native plants provide a true Northwest look in the landscaping.

### Native Plants for the Landscape

#### Perennials

Beach Strawberry

Bunchberry

Camas

Checker Lily

Inside-out Flower

Lewisia

Milkweed

Piggyback Plant

Stonecrop

Trillium

Western Columbine

Wild Ginger

*Fragaria chilensis*

*Cornus canadensis*

*Camassia quamash*

*Fritillaria lanceolata*

*Vancouveria hexandra*

*Lewisia* spp.

*Asclepias speciosa*

*Tolmiea menziesii*

*Sedum oreganum*

*Trillium ovatum*

*Aquilegia formosa*

*Asarum caudatum*

#### Ferns

Deer Fern

Licorice Fern

Maidenhair Fern

Sword Fern

*Blechnum spicant*

*Polypodium glycyrrhiza*

*Adiantum aleuticum*

*Polystichum munitum*

## Shrubs

Baldhip Rose	<i>Rosa gymnocarpa</i>
Beaked Hazlenut	<i>Corylus cornuta</i>
Evergreen Huckleberry	<i>Vaccinium ovatum</i>
Kinnikinnick	<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i>
Mock-orange	<i>Philadelphus lewisii</i>
Nootka Rose	<i>Rosa nutkana</i>
Oceanspray	<i>Holodiscus discolor</i>
Oregon Grape	<i>Mahonia</i> spp.
Pacific Wax Myrtle	<i>Myrica californica</i>
Red flowering Currant	<i>Ribes sanguineum</i>
Red-twig Dogwood	<i>Cornus sericea</i>
Salal	<i>Gaultheria shallon</i>
Salmonberry	<i>Rubus spectabilis</i>
Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>
Snowberry	<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>
Western Spiraea	<i>Spiraea douglasii</i>

## Trees

Alaska Cedar	<i>Chamaecyparis nootkatensis</i>
Alpine Fir	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i>
Douglas Fir	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>
Grand Fir	<i>Abies grandis</i>
Incense Cedar	<i>Calocedrus decurrens</i>
Madrone	<i>Arbutus menziesii</i>
Mountain Hemlock	<i>Tsuga mertensiana</i>
Pacific Dogwood	<i>Cornus nutallii</i>
Ponderosa Pine	<i>Pinus ponderosa</i>
Red Alder	<i>Alnus rubra</i>
Shore Pine	<i>Pinus contorta</i>
Quaking Aspen	<i>Populus tremuloides</i>
Vine Maple	<i>Acer circinatum</i>
Western Hemlock	<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i>
Western Red Cedar	<i>Thuja plicata</i>

## Resources

King County Native Plant Guide [www.green.kingcounty.gov/gonative](http://www.green.kingcounty.gov/gonative)

Washington Native Plant Society [www.wnps.org](http://www.wnps.org)

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