Twelve Easy Native Plants for **SUNNY GARDENS**

**Bee Balm**  
*(Monarda didyma)*  
- Ht 4 ft x W 3 ft  
- Moist to wet soils  
- Attracts butterflies, bees and hummingbirds

**New England Aster**  
*(Aster novae-angliae)*  
- Ht 4-6 ft x W 2-3 ft  
- Average to moist soil  
- Attracts Monarch and other butterflies in fall

**Black-Eyed Susan**  
*(Rudbeckia hirta or Rudbeckia fulgida)*  
- Ht 1-3.5 ft x W 2 ft  
- Average to dry soil  
- Seeds attract birds in fall and winter.  
- Evergreen rosette

**Bluestar**  
*(Amsonia tabernaemontana)*  
- Ht 2 ft x W 3 ft  
- Dry to moist soil  
- Leaves turn yellow in fall

**Butterfly Milkweed**  
*(Asclepias tuberosa)*  
- Ht 1-3 ft x W 1-3 ft  
- Dry to average soil  
- Attracts Monarch and other butterflies

**Blazing Star**  
*(Liatris spicata)*  
- Ht 3-5 ft x W 2 ft  
- Average to moist soil  
- Attracts butterflies and bees

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**= bloom time  
= deer resistant  
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= attractive in winter
Twelve Easy Native Plants for Sunny Gardens

**Little Bluestem**
*Schizachyrium scoparium*
- Ht 3–4 ft x W 1.5 ft
- Average to dry soil
- Bronze-orange fall color

**Moss Phlox**
*Phlox subulata*
- Ht 6 in x W 1–3 ft
- Average to dry soil
- Evergreen groundcover, great for slopes

**Purple Coneflower**
*Echinacea purpurea*
- Ht 2–3 ft x W 2 ft
- Average to dry soil
- Seeds attract goldfinches in fall and winter

**Sea Oats**
*Chasmanthium latifolium*
- Ht 2–3 ft x W 2–3 ft
- Average to moist soil
- Spreads quickly, good erosion control

**Switchgrass**
*Panicum virgatum 'Shenandoah'*
- Ht 3–5 ft x W 2–3 ft
- Dry, average and moist soil
- Good erosion control

**False Blue Indigo**
*Baptisia australis*
- Ht 3 ft x W 3 ft
- Dry, average and moist soil
- Interesting seed pods

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Twelve Easy Native Plants for SHADY GARDENS

Woodland Phlox  
(Phlox divaricata)  
- Ht 18 in x W 1 ft  
- Average to moist soil  
- Fragrant  

Foamflower  
(Tiarella cordifolia)  
- Ht 18 in x W 18 in  
- Average to moist soil  
- Semi-evergreen groundcover  

Green and Gold  
(Chrysogonum virginianum)  
- Ht 6 in x W 1 ft  
- Average to moist soil  
- Semi-evergreen groundcover  

Mountain Stonecrop  
(Sedum ternatum)  
- Ht 6 in x W 1 ft  
- Moist to Average to dry soil  
- Slow-spreading semi-evergreen groundcover  

Golden Groundsel  
(Packera aurea)  
- Ht 1 ft x W 1 ft  
- Average to moist soil  
- Evergreen groundcover; spreads vigorously  

Allegheny Spurge  
(Pachysandra procumbens)  
- Ht 1 ft x W 1 ft  
- Average to moist soil  
- Evergreen groundcover  

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= attractive in winter
Christmas Fern  
(Polystichum achrostichoides)  
- Ht 1–2 ft x W 1–2 ft  
- Average to dry soil  
- Evergreen

Coral Bells  
(Heuchera americana)  
- Ht 1–2 ft x W 18 in  
- Moist to Average to dry soil  
- Interesting leaf and flower

Evergreen Wood Fern  
(Dryopteris intermedia)  
- Ht 18 in–3 ft x W 18 in–3 ft  
- Dry to average to moist soil  
- Evergreen

Wild Geranium  
(Geranium maculatum)  
- Ht 1 ft x W 1 ft  
- Dry to average to moist soil

White Wood Aster  
(Eurybia divaricata or Aster divaricatus)  
- Ht 2–3 ft x W 2–3 ft  
- Average to dry soil  
- Semi-evergreen groundcover; prone to spreading

Blue Wood Sedge  
(Corex glaucodea)  
- Ht 1 ft x W 1 ft  
- Moist to Average to dry soil  
- Clump-forming evergreen groundcover

= bloom time  
= deer resistant  
= supports pollinators  
= attractive in winter
Red Chokeberry  
(*Photinia pyrifolia*, also called *Aronia arbutifolia*)  
- Ht 3 ft x W 6 ft  
- Medium-moisture soil (Partial shade ok)  
- White flowers in spring  
- Leaves turn orange-red in fall

Red Twig Dogwood  
(*Cornus sericea*)  
- Ht 6-10 ft x W 5-10 ft  
- Moist soil  
- White flowers in spring  
- Intensely red branches in winter

Dwarf Fothergilla  
(*Fothergilla gardenii* 'Blue Mist')  
- Ht 3 ft x W 3 ft  
- Medium to moist soil  
- White flowers in spring  
- Leaves turn orange in fall

Inkberry  
(*Ilex glabra* 'Densa' or 'Shamrock')  
- Ht 4 ft x 4 ft  
- Medium to moist soil  
- Plant male and female for black berries  
- Evergreen

Sweetspire  
(*Itea virginica* 'Little Henry')  
- Ht 4 ft x W 4 ft  
- Medium to moist soil  
- White flowers in summer  
- Leaves turn red in fall

Ninebark  
(*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Summer Wine')  
- Ht 5 ft x W 5 ft  
- Medium to dry soil  
- Pink flowers in early summer  
- Leaves turn burgundy in fall

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Six Native **SHRUBS** for **SHADE**

**Dogwood**
*Leucothoe axillaris* 'Scarletta'
- Ht 3 ft x W 3 ft
- Medium-moisture soil
- White flowers in spring
- Evergreen (winter color shown above)

**Smooth Hydrangea**
*Hydrangea arborescens* 'Annabelle'
- Ht 4 ft x W 5 ft
- Dry to moist soil
- Showy blooms

**Winterberry**
*Ilex verticillata*
- Ht 6-15 ft x W 6-15 ft
- Medium to moist soil
- Plant male and female for vivid red winter berries
- Berries attract birds

**Summersweet**
*Clethra alnifolia* 'Sixteen Candles'
- Ht 3-4 ft x W 2-3 ft
- Medium to moist soil
- Fragrant flowers
- Leaves turn gold in fall

**Smooth Viburnum**
*Viburnum nudum* 'Winterthur'
- Ht 6-8 ft x W 6-8 ft
- Medium to moist soil
- White flowers become clusters of dark blue berries
- Leaves turn maroon in fall

**Sweetshrub**
*Calycanthus floridus*
- Ht 6-10 ft x W 6-12 ft
- Medium-moisture soil
- Fragrant leaves and flowers
- Leaves turn gold in fall

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Six Native DEER RESISTANT PLANTS for SUN

**False Blue Indigo**  
*Baptisia australis*  
- Ht 3 ft x W 3 ft  
- Dry, average and moist soil  
- Interesting seed pods

**Goldenrod**  
*Solidago shortii 'Solar Cascade'*  
- Ht 18 in x W 18 in  
- Average to moist soil  
- Other cultivars are larger

**Blue Flag Iris**  
*Iris versicolor*  
- Ht 2 ft x W 2 ft  
- Average to moist soil  
- Naturalizes (spreads)

**Tickseed Coreopsis**  
*Coreopsis verticillata 'Moonbeam'*  
- Ht 24 in x 24 in  
- Average to dry soil  
- Long blooming

**Bluestar**  
*Amsonia tabernaemontana*  
- Ht 2 ft x W 3 ft  
- Dry to moist soil  
- Leaves turn yellow in fall

**Fragrant sumac**  
*Rhus aromatic 'Gro-lo'*  
- Ht 2 ft x W 5 ft  
- Average to dry soil  
- Orange/red in fall

= bloom time  
= supports pollinators  
= attractive in winter
Bunny Blue® Sedge
(*Carex laxiculmus 'Hobb')
- Ht 12 in x W 12 in
- Average to moist soil
- Evergreen groundcover

Foamflower
(*Tiarella cordifolia*)
- Ht 18 in x W 18 in
- Average to moist soil
- Semi-evergreen groundcover

Green and Gold
(*Chrysogonum virginianum*)
- Ht 6 in x W 1 ft
- Average to moist soil
- Semi-evergreen groundcover

American Holly
(*Ilex opaca 'Maryland Dwarf')
- Ht 3 ft x W 5 ft
- Average to moist soil
- Evergreen with red berries on female plant (if partnered with male plant)

Golden Groundsel
(*Packera aurea*)
- Ht 1 ft x W 1 ft
- Average to moist soil
- Evergreen groundcover; spreads vigorously

Eastern Sweetshrub
(*Calycanthus floridus*)
- Ht 6-10 ft x W 6-12 ft
- Average, well-drained soil
- Fragrant flowers, leaves and twigs

= bloom time  
= supports pollinators  
= attractive in winter

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Spreading Vines

- **Porcelainberry**
  *Ampelopsis brevipedunculata*

- **Japanese Honeysuckle**
  *Lonicera japonica*

- **Mile-a-Minute**
  *Persicaria perfoliata*  
  (formerly known as *Polygonum perfoliatum*)

- **English Ivy**
  *Hedera helix*

- **Kudzu**
  *Pueraria montana*

Groundcover

- **Lesser Celandine**
  *Ranunculus ficaria*

Grass

- **Japanese Stiltgrass**
  *Microstegium vimineum*

Non-Woody Plants (Herbaceous)

- **Canada Thistle**
  *Cirsium arvense*

- **Garlic Mustard**
  *Alliaria petiolata*

Shrub

- **Japanese Knotweed**
  *Polygonum cuspidatum*

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Vine

Oriental Bittersweet
Celastrus orbiculatus

Shrub

Multiflora Rose
Rosa multiflora

Shrub

Autumn Olive
Elaeagnus umbellata

Shrub

Burning Bush
Euonymus alatus

Shrub

Bush Honeysuckle
Lonicera maackii or Lonicera tatarica

Shrub

Japanese Barberry
Berberis thunbergii

Tree

Bradford Pear
Pyrus calleryana

Tree

Tree of Heaven
Ailanthus altissima

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