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Shrubs by Common Name









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Common Name	Scientific Name	Comments
Althea; Rose-of-Sharon  	Hibiscus syriacus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (9' tall by 9' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: known for significant summer flowers (white, pink, purple) • Fruit: not significant, woody capsule • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; tolerates most soils. Drought tolerant once established • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: specimen, back of mixed shrub border • Cultivars: many. Mostly for flower color or type (single/double)
American Beautyberry  	Callicarpa americana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 6' wide) deciduous shrub; native to Arkansas. Irregular habit • Flowers: insignificant, pinkish • Fruits: fall, spectacular, violet to magenta • Fall color: yellowish • Culture: partial sun to shade. Requires moisture to keep from wilting • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: naturalizing; does well in shade • Cultivar: white fruited form ('Lactea')
Amur Honeysuckle *  	Lonicera maackii	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (12' tall by 12' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: showy, white flowers in May • Fruit: red fruit spread easily by birds • Fall color: none • Culture: full to partial sun; very adaptable to soil type • Disease/insect: none • Use: Invasive; should not be planted in landscapes
Amur Privet *  	Ligustrum amurense	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 10' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: white, terminal panicles • Fruit: black fruit (drupe) easily spread by birds • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; adaptable to most soils • Disease/insect: none significant • Uses: weedy; not recommended for cultivated landscapes





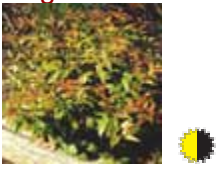
<p>Andorra Juniper</p>  	<p>Juniperus horizontalis 'Plumosa'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: low 12" tall by 8' wide), radially symmetric, needle evergreen • Needles: Green summer color; purple winter color • Culture: full sun • Selected by Andorra Nursery in 1907 • Differs from Bar Harbor Juniper (<i>Juniperus horizontalis</i> 'Bar Harbor') in that growth is symmetrical and it is slightly taller
<p>Arizona Cypress</p>  	<p>Cupressus arizonica</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 45' tall by 20' wide • Culture: sun to partial shade • Use: screen/hedge, specimen
<p>Azalea</p>  	<p>Rhododendron sp.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small/medium; deciduous or evergreen • Culture: partial shade; best in rich soil with organic matter and provide adequate moisture during summer • Disease/insect: lace bug very common (causes gold spotting on leaves) • Use: massed, woodland gardens, foundation • Large number of species/hybrids/cultivars; vary in flower color, plant size, cold hardiness
<p>Bar Harbor Juniper</p>  	<p>Juniperus horizontalis 'Bar Harbor'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: low (8" tall by 8' wide) needle evergreen • Needles: green summer color; steel blue winter color • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant once established; avoid overhead watering • Disease/insect: twig blights common due to high humidity and overhead watering • Use: very low groundcover; slopes • These cultivars are mostly selected from sand dunes along the Eastern seaboard
<p>Bigleaf Hydrangea</p>  	<p>Hydrangea macrophylla</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (4.5' tall by 5' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: known for spectacular flowers in early/mid summer (pink or blue; mopheads or lacecaps); most flower on old wood so don't prune severely in early spring • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: best in rich, moist soil; partial sun or shade • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: specimen, foundation, mixed shrub beds • Cultivars: hundreds for flower type and flower color • See Hydrangea database for more information











<p>Blue Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex x meserveae</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (7' tall by 8' wide) broadleaf evergreen; open habit • Flowers: not significant • Fruit: beautiful red berry (drupe) on female plants • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen; Recognized by dark blue-green leaves • Culture: best in partial shade; moist soil • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: massed, mixed shrub bed • Cultivars: Usually sold in pairs: male ('Blue Boy'; Blue Prince') and female ('Blue Girl'; 'Blue Princess') • Bred by Mrs. Meserve in the early 1950's for cold hardiness of evergreen hollies
<p>Border Forsythia</p>  	<p>Forsythia x intermedia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium/large (7' tall by 9' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: known for exceptional, yellow flowers, early spring • Fruit: not significant (woody capsule) • Fall color: depends on weather, can be deep maroon purple • Culture: full sun; tolerant of most soils • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: massed; mixed shrub bed
<p>Bridalwreath Spirea</p>  	<p>Spiraea prunifolia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (6' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: dramatic white flowers in early spring (March) • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; adaptable to most soils • Disease/insect: none • Use: deciduous hedge, massed, mixed shrub border • Prune after spring flower display
<p>Buckeyes</p>  	<p>Aesculus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large shrub or small tree; 15-20' tall x 15-20' wide • Flowers: true red or white/cream • Culture: shady • Use: component of woodland garden
<p>Bumald Spirea</p>  	<p>Spiraea x bumalda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: low (3' tall by 3' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: showy, pink/purple flowers several months during summer • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant • Disease/insect: none significant • Cultivars: 'Anthony Waterer', 'Froebelii', and yellow/green foliage forms 'Goldflame' and 'Limemound'











<p>Burford Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex cornuta 'Burfordii'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (18' tall by 8' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: not significant • Fruit: showy, red berry; Unique in that fruit-set does not require pollination (parthenocarpic) • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: sun or shade; moist soil best. Avoid poorly drained soils • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: hedge or screen
<p>Burkwood Viburnum</p>  	<p>Viburnum x burkwoodii</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (7' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub (almost semi-evergreen in south Arkansas) • Flowers: white flowers just before or as leaves emerge in April; One of several very fragrant Viburnums • Fruit: red/black berry (drupe) often little landscape value • Fall color: sporadic, often none in Arkansas • Culture: sun to partial shade; rich, moist soil best • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: specimen, medium hedge, mixed shrub bed • Cultivars: similar to V. carlesii, V.xjuddii
<p>Butterfly-bush</p>  	<p>Buddleia (Buddleja) davidii</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium to large deciduous shrub (10' tall by 10' wide) • Flowers: spectacular. Significant summer flower display. Flower colors white, pink, purple, yellow. Attracts butterflies • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun. Soil adaptable. Drought tolerant. Tough • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: fast growing and large to requires space. Back of mixed shrub border. Low maintenance areas • Cultivars: many depending mostly on flower color
<p>Carissa Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex cornuta 'Carissa'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (3' tall by 3' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Fruit: female clone so no red fruits • Culture: best in rich, moist soil. Avoid poorly drained soils.; sun or shade • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: excellent for foundation plantings or massed











<p>Carolina Cherrylaurel</p>  	<p>Prunus caroliniana</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (20' tall by 15' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: showy, white racemes March • Fruit: not overly showy, black fruit • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen; leaves a dark, glossy green • Culture: sun or tolerates shade; adaptable to soil type; May have some winter dieback on zone 6 • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: hedge or screen; Almost a weed in some woodland areas even though a native plant
<p>Chastetree; Vitex</p>  	<p>Vitex agnus-castus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (12' tall by 12' wide) deciduous shrub or small tree • Flowers: showy, summer, white, purple, pink • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: sun; Very heat and drought tolerant • Use: large shrub or small tree
<p>Chinese Fringeflower</p>  	<p>Loropetalum chinense</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (15' tall by 18' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: strap-like flowers spectacular, April; L. chinense are white; most cultivars are striking pink • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen, Leaves small • Culture: full sun to partial shade; moist soil best (especially July/August); Reliably cold hardy in zones 7 and 8 • Disease/insect: none • Use: mixed shrub border; foundation if sheared/pruned; massed • Cultivars: species has green leaves and white flowers Most popular cultivars for burgundy foliage/pink flowers (Plum Delight™, 'Burgundy'); green leaves/pink flowers ('Blush')
<p>Chinese Podocarpus</p>  	<p>Podocarpus macrophyllus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (18' tall by 9' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: not significant • Fruit: not showy, but interesting to look at • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen; Strap-like leaves • Culture: full sun; adaptable to soil type; Reliably cold hardy in zone 8 • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: Good choice for hedge/screen in south Arkansas

<p>Common Boxwood</p> 	<p>Buxus sempervirens</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (12' tall by 12' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers/fruit: not significant • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, partial sun, but more tolerant of sun and heat than Littleleaf Boxwood (B. microphylla). Better suited to south/central Arkansas than Littleleaf Boxwood (B. micorphylla) • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: screen/hedge
<p>Common Cherrylaurel; English Laurel</p> 	<p>Prunus laurocerasus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (15' tall by 20' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: white, racemes, typically not as showy as other Prunus • Fruit: red changing black; not dramatic • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: sun to partial shade; adaptable to soil type • Disease/insect: 'shotholes' in leaves caused by fungus, aesthetic issue • Use: hedge or screen (but wide unless you shear/prune) • Cultivars: rarely see species in Arkansas. Cultivars more common in the trade are narrow leaf cultivars that are smaller in size: 'Otto Luyken', 'Schipkaensis', 'Zabeliana'
<p>Common Lilac</p> 	<p>Syringa vulgaris</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 8' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: hundreds of cultivars, flower colors white, pink, purple; exceptional fragrance • Fruit: not significant (dry capsule) • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; adaptable to most soils; Best suited to Northwest Arkansas (cooler) • Disease/insect: lilac borer; powdery mildew • Uses: deciduous hedge • Cultivars: hundreds
<p>Common Smokebush</p> 	<p>Cotinus coggygia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 8' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: actual flowers not showy, but fine colored hairs give impression of flowers Summer impact • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: generally not significant • Culture: full sun. Best in rich, moist soil but fairly tough • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: specimen • Cultivars: several, most people prefer deep purple selections ('Royal Purple', 'Velvet Cloak')











<p>Common Sweetshrub</p> 	<p><i>Calycanthus floridus</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (6' tall by 8' wide) deciduous shrub. Irregular habit • Flowers: unique; May (sporadically into summer). deep red, 1 inch • Fruit: not showy • Fall color: yellowish • Culture: best in partial sun to shade. Best in rich, moist soil • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: naturalizing • Cultivar: yellow flowering form: 'Athens' ('Katherine')
<p>Convexa Japanese Holly</p> 	<p><i>Ilex crenata</i> 'Convexa'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (2' tall by 4' wide) broadleaf evergreen, leaf cupped down (convex) • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, sun or shade • Use: commonly used in foundation plantings • Very similar to Dwarf Japanese Holly (<i>Ilex crenata</i> 'Compacta')
<p>Cranberrybush viburnum</p> 	<p><i>Viburnum trilobum</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 9' tall by 9' wide • Flowers: White in late April/early May • Fruit: ¼"-diameter, lipstick red • Fall color: in northern climates is a deep maroon • Culture: fairly adaptable, moist soil best, partial sun • Use: massed, specimen, filler, low hedge
<p>Cranberry Cotoneaster</p> 	<p><i>Cotoneaster apiculatus</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (18" tall by 4' wide) deciduous shrub; low arching branches • Flowers: insignificant • Fruit: dramatic, red, cranberry sized • Fall color: in northern climates is a deep maroon • Culture: best in rich, moist, well drained soil, full sun • Disease/insect: fireblight • Use: rock gardens, ground cover in full sun, slopes
<p>Dog-hobble</p> 	<p><i>Leucothoe axillaris</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: low/medium (3' tall by 5' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: not overwhelming, April • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: broadleaf evergreen; winter foliage often changes to maroon • Culture: best in partial sun; moist soil best • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: mass; groundcover









<p>Doublefile Viburnum</p>  	<p>Viburnum plicatum var. tomentosum</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 10' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: very showy. Outer ring of sterile flowers with inner fertile flowers • Fruit: significant. Red fruit (drupe) turns black late summer • Fall color: maroon • Culture: sun to partial shade; rich, moist soil best • Use: massed, back of shrub bed • Cultivars: 'Lanarth', 'Mariesii', 'Shasta', 'Summer Snowflake'
<p>Dwarf Alberta Spruce</p>  	<p>Picea glauca 'Conica'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: tight (appears sheared), pyramidal conifer; 7' tall x 4' wide • Culture: full sun; demands constant moisture in summer; Best in Northwest Arkansas (cooler)
<p>Dwarf Flowering Almond</p>  	<p>Prunus glandulosa</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (3' tall by 5' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: dramatic early spring (late March/early April) flowers, double, pink ('Sinensis' or 'Rosea Plena') • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; provide adequate moisture in summer • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: middle of mixed shrub border; more common in older landscapes
<p>Dwarf Fothergilla</p>  	<p>Fothergilla gardenii</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (4' tall by 4' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: showy, early spring, white, 'thimble-like' flowers; often re-blooms in fall • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: nice flame fall color • Culture: best in rich, moist soil; best in partial sun. Provide adequate moisture if located in full sun • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: massed, mixed shrub border
<p>Dwarf Japanese Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex crenata 'Compacta'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (2' tall by 4' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Fruit: black, not showy • Culture: best in rich, moist soil. Avoid poorly drained soil; sun or shade • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: commonly used in foundation plantings • Other similar cultivars: 'Helleri', 'Hetzii', 'Repandens'

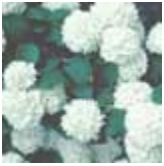







<p>Dwarf Nandina </p> 	<p>Nandina domestica 'Atropurpurea Nana'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: Small (18" tall by 18" wide) broadleaf evergreen • Group of dwarf forms; most have intense reddish foliage in winter; most lack significant flowers/fruits • Includes selections such as Gulf Stream™, 'Harbour Dwarf', 'Moon Bay'
<p>Dwarf Yaupon Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex vomitoria 'Nana'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (3' tall by 5' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: insignificant • Fruit: not overwhelming on this form, red • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: sun or shade; rich, moist soil best • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: common in foundation plantings • Many similar cultivars ('Schillings'/'Stokes Dwarf'; Bordeaux™; 'Straughan's Dwarf')
<p>Eastern Arborvitae</p>  	<p>Thuja occidentalis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (12' tall by 5' wide) needle evergreen • Culture: partial shade to shade; best suited in moist soils; Best suited for Northwest Arkansas (cooler) • Disease/insect: bagworm • Use: hedge/screen plant • Many cultivars including globe-shaped 'Globosa' and columnar 'Emerald'
<p>European Cranberrybush Vib.</p>  	<p>Viburnum opulus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (8' tall by 8' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: showy, white flowers; outer ring sterile, inner fertile, May • Fruits: beautiful red clusters of fruit, fall • Fall color: can be maroon especially in cooler climates • Culture: sun to partial shade; rich, moist soil best • Disease/insect: none serious • Uses: shrub bed • Cultivars: 'Compactum' (smaller), 'Nanum' (dwarf, no flws or fruits), 'Roseum' (one of the 'snowball' viburnums)
<p>Fatshedera</p>  	<p>X Fatshedera lizei</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 4' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: creamy panicles in winter • Fruits: not significant • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, partial sun; Zone 8 (protected in zone 7) • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: tropical looking • Intergeneric hybrid: Hedera helix X Fatsia japonica











<p>Foster Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex x attenuata 'Fosteri'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (20' tall by 7' wide) pyramidal broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: not significant • Fruit: showy, red berry • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: sun to partial shade; moist soil best. Avoid poorly drained soils • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: commonly used at the corner of a house/building
<p>Fraser Photinia; Redtip Photinia</p>  	<p>Photinia x fraseri</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (12' tall by 12' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: varies on significance; cream, flat topped clusters April • Fruit: ?? • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen; Brilliant red to new, emerging foliage • Culture: full sun; adaptable to soil type • Disease/insect: Very seriously affected by Entomosporium leaf spot (fungus) in Arkansas • Use: probably most common hedge/screen plant in Arkansas
<p>Fringetree</p>  	<p>Chionanthus virginicus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large shrub or small tree; 15' tall x 15' wide • Flowers: snow white (showy), bloom mid-April • Culture: sun to shade • Use: mixed shrub bed, woodland garden
<p>Gardenia</p>  	<p>Gardenia jasmonoides</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 5' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: fragrant flowers; pure white flowers in summer, fade yellow • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, acid soil; partial sun or shade; Best in zones 7 and 8 • Disease/insect: scale, whitefly • Use: specimen near entry-ways • Cultivars: few for increased cold hardiness ('Kleim's Hardy')
<p>Globe Cryptomeria</p>  	<p>Cryptomeria japonica 'Globosa Nana'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 3.5' • Culture: full sun • Use: mixed shrub border











<p>Glossy Abelia</p>  	<p>Abelia x grandiflora</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium shrub 5' tall by 5' wide; often wild sprays of stems • Flowers: May to fall, white/pink tubular flowers • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: broadleaf evergreen. Sometimes winter foliage is a deep maroon • Culture: full sun. Adaptable to most soils. Tough • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: foundations, masses • Cultivars: many including 'Sherwood', Confetti™, Sunrise™. ('Edward Goucher' is a hybrid)
<p>Gold-dust Plant</p>  	<p>Aucuba japonica 'Variegata'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium shrub: 6' tall by 6' wide • Flowers: not showy, small, purple, terminal panicles, spring • Fruits: dioecious (plant either male or female), lipstick red clusters mid-winter on female plants • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: partial sun to shade. Cold hardy in zones 7 & 8. Locate near protection in zone 6 • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: tropical looking broadleaf evergreen. Make sure and purchase female clone • Cultivars: species has green foliage. Several outstanding variegated (yellow/green) foliage cultivars
<p>Green Giant Arborvitae</p>  	<p>Thuja x 'Green Giant'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 45' tall x 12' wide • Culture: full sun • Use: hedge/screen
<p>Heavenly Bamboo</p>  	<p>Nandina domestica</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 4' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: showy, white terminal panicles May • Fruit: spectacular clusters of red fruit • Fall/winter color: broadleaf evergreen, however, can take-on reddish/purple coloration in winter • Culture: sun to shade; very drought tolerant once established • Disease/insect: none • Use: tropical look; short hedge, foundation; Almost a weed in some wooded areas in Arkansas • Cultivars: many (most for smaller size: 'Firepower', Gulf Stream™, 'Moon Bay', 'Harbour Dwarf') • 'Bamboo-like' stems











<p>Hinoki Falsecypress</p>  	<p>Chamaecyparis obtusa 'Nana Gracilis'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (4' tall by 2' wide) pyramidal conifer • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, partial sun; avoid open windy situations in Arkansas • Disease/insect: none significant if properly located • Use: specimen • Cultivars: many other cultivars in addition to 'Nana Gracilis'. Variation in size, foliage color, plant shape
<p>Hybrid Tea Rose</p>  	<p>Rosa sp.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hundreds of choices for flower color • Full sun • Disease/insect: black spot fungus • Usually require lots of care
<p>Indian Hawthorn</p>  	<p>Rhaphiolepis umbellata</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (4' tall by 6' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: white/soft pink flowers in April • Fruit: dark purple/black fruit • Fall/winter color: some have darker winter foliage; new, emerging foliage can be attractive • Culture: sun; best in moist soil; cold hardy in zones 7 and 8 • Disease/insect: fungal leaf spot more an aesthetic issue • Use: massed • Cultivars: Olivia™ , Eleanor Taber™ , Bay Breeze™
<p>Inkberry Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex glabra</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 4' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: not significant • Fruit: black berry (drupe) on female plants; not showy • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: sun or partial shade; rich, moist soil best • Use: Masses or foundation plantings • Cultivars: several. Most for tighter habit and glossy dark green leaves
<p>Japanese Camellia</p>  	<p>Camellia japonica</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (8' tall by 8' wide) • Flowers: very showy. Flowers variable (single/double; white, pink, red); flowers typically January thru March. More likely to see flower bud damage on this than Sasanqua Camellia (C. sasanqua) • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none/ broadleaf evergreen; Coarser leaves than Sasanqua Camellia (C. sasanqua) • Culture: best in rich, moist soil; partial sun; Best in cold hardiness zones 7 & 8 • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: screen, back of mixed shrub border • Cultivars: many for variation in flowers (color, single/double)









<p>Japanese Falsecypress; Golden</p>  	<p>Chamaecyparis pisifera 'Filifera Aurea'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (7' tall by 7' wide) yellow foliaged conifer • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, sun; avoid open windy situations in Arkansas • Cultivar: this cultivar has distinctive threadlike yellow foliage. There are many other wonderful cultivars of C. pisifera that make great specimens
<p>Japanese Floweringquince</p>  	<p>Chaenomeles japonica</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub; Thorns on stem • Flowers: very showy. Very early spring flowering; pink/white/coral/orange • Fruit: rare. Looks like a 'Yellow Delicious' apple • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun. Best in rich, moist soil. But generally tough • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: beds, low ground cover, foundations • Cultivars: many, mostly based on flower color or plant size
<p>Japanese Kerria</p>  	<p>Kerria japonica</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (4' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: beautiful deep yellow flowers mid-spring and then sporadically throughout the year • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: partial sun to shade ('forsythia for the shade'); drought tolerant once established • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: flowering shrub for shade, masses • Stems green & zig-zag • Cultivar: 'Pleni flora' (double), 'Picta' (leaves edged white)
<p>Japanese Privet</p>  	<p>Ligustrum japonicum</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 10' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: showy, white/cream terminal panicles in late May, some may find odor offensive • Fruit: 1/4" blue-black berry (drupe) • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: full sun; adaptable to most soils • Disease/insect: none serious • Uses: screen, corner of foundation, best adapted to zones 7 and 8 • Very similar to L. lucidum (less cold hardy)











<p>Japanese Snowball Viburnum</p>  	<p>Viburnum plicatum</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sized: large (10' tall by 10' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: snow white 'snowballs' of sterile flowers; mid-April • Fruits: none (sterile) • Fall color: maroon • Culture: sun to partial shade; fairly adaptable once established • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: large shrub beds • This is an anomaly since a botanical species should be able to reproduce by seed and this does not. It is the Doublefile Viburnum (var. tomentosum) that produces seed!!! Kind of backwards
<p>Japanese Ternstroemia</p>  	<p>Ternstroemia gymnanthera (f. Cleyera gymna.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (9' tall by 9' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: interesting but typically not dramatic • Fruit: not showy • Fall/winter color: broadleaf evergreen, foliage turns deep purple in winter • Culture: full sun to partial shade; adaptable to soils; best suited to cold hardiness zones 7 & 8 • Disease/insect: none serious • Uses: wide hedge/screen plant • Incorrectly sold in most garden centers as Cleyera gymnanthera
<p>Jap garden Juniper</p>  	<p>Juniperus procumbens</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: low (1' tall by 7' wide) needle evergreen • Needles: all juvenile (awl-shaped) • Culture: full sun • Use: Ideal for cascading over walls; Japanese gardens. Another good choice for Arkansas
<p>Lantanaphyllum Viburnum</p>  	<p>Viburnum x rhytidophylo ides</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 10' wide) semi-evergreen to broadleaf evergreen. Very coarse texture • Flowers: creamy white flowers, mid-April • Fruits: significant, red turns black • Fall color: none • Culture: sun to partial shade; adaptable to most soils • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: back of mixed shrub border • V. rhytidophyllum (evergreen) x V. lantana (deciduous)









<p>Leatherleaf Mahonia</p>  	<p>Mahonia bealei</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (6' tall by 7' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: lemon yellow, terminal cluster late winter/early spring • Fruit: dramatic clusters of blue/purple fruits April - June • Fall/winter color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: partial shade/shade in Arkansas, leaves yellow if too much sun; moist soil best • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: Evergreen leaves give plant a tropical look, Oriental gardens; More common than Oregon Hollygrape (M. aquifolium) in Arkansas
<p>Leyland Cypress</p>  	<p>X Cupressocyp aris leylandii</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: very fast growing, pyramidal (25' tall by 10' wide) conifer • Culture: tolerant of soil; full sun • Disease/insect: increasing problem with Seridium and Botryosphaeria canker; bagworm • Use: hedge/screen plant; Christmas tree • Intergeneric (Cupressus x Chamaecyparis) hybrid
<p>Littleleaf Boxwood</p>  	<p>Buxus microphylla</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (3' tall by 3' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers/fruits: not significant • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen; will go off color in late winter (dull orange) • Culture: partial shade to shade; must provide adequate water in summer. Best suited to Northwest Arkansas. Intolerant of wet/heavy soils • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: Tolerates shearing; excellent choice for formal garden • Cultivars: many. Most hybrids or cultivars of variety koreana. Reasons: tighter habit, better leaf color, cold hardiness
<p>Manhattan Euonymus</p>  	<p>Euonymus kiautschovicu s 'Manhattan'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 10' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Culture: sun; adaptable to many soils • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: evergreen screen or wide hedge
<p>Mockorange</p>  	<p>Philadelphus coronarius</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 8' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: very fragrant white flowers in May (after leaves) • Fruit: not significant (dry capsule) • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; very tolerant of soils once established • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: shrub border











<p>Mugo Pine</p>  	<p>Pinus mugo</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: can be confusing; species is fairly large (12' tall by 15' wide); most in trade are dwarf forms (2' tall by 4' wide) • Needles: 2 needle pine • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant once established • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: groundcover • Cultivars: many dwarf 'Mops', 'Gnom'
<p>Nellie Stevens Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex x 'Nellie R. Stevens'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: very large (18' tall by 15' wide) pyramidal broadleaf evergreen • Common hedge/screen plant in South • Heavy fruit producer (female plant)
<p>Oakleaf Hydrangea</p>  	<p>Hydrangea quercifolia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: known for significant white panicles in early summer • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: dramatic, maroon; 'oak-like' leaves • Culture: best in rich, moist soil; shade or sun • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: foundation, specimen • Cultivars: 'Alice', 'Sikes Dwarf', 'Harmony', 'Snow Queen' and more • See Hydrangea database for more information
<p>Oleander</p>  	<p>Nerium oleander</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (12' tall by 12' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: dramatic summer flowering shrub; flower colors pink, white, red • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant; reliably hardy in zone 8 • Disease/insect: none • Use: hedge/screen • Common in California/Arizona/Florida landscapes
<p>Oregon Hollygrape</p>  	<p>Mahonia aquifolium</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 7' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: sulfur yellow flowers in mid-March • Fruit: dramatic blue clusters of fruit ('grapes') • Fall color: broadleaf evergreen, however, in cooler climates develops nice burgundy winter color • Culture: partial shade; moist soil best • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: massed, foundation


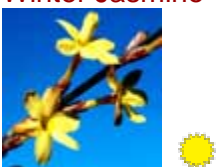



<p>Oriental Arborvitae</p>  	<p>Platycladus orientalis (f. Thuja orientalis)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still sold in trade under Thuja orientalis • Many options for size, shape and foliage color • Better suited for south (zones 7 thru 9) than Eastern Arborvitae (Thuja occidentalis) • Culture: tolerates full sun to shade (thins-out); adaptable to soil type • Disease/insect: none serious • Uses: hedge/screen; specimen • Cultivars: hundreds of selections
<p>Panicle Hydrangea</p>  	<p>Hydrangea paniculata</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (9' tall by 9' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: known for dramatic, white, terminal panicles in summer, fade to pink • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: moist soil; tolerates full sun • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: specimen, back of mixed shrub bed. Has lost favor with introduction of white crapemyrtles • Cultivars like 'Grandiflora', 'Floribunda', 'Unique', and 'Tardiva' have showier flowers with more sterile flowers • See Hydrangea database for more information
<p>Paperbush</p>  	<p>Edgeworthia chrysantha</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium shrub; 6' tall x 6' wide • Culture: partial shade to shade • Use: component of woodland garden, mixed shrub border
<p>Pfitzer Juniper</p>  	<p>Juniperus x media 'Pfitzeriana'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (7' tall by 12' wide) needle evergreen • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant once established • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: Industry standard for medium/large juniper
<p>Possumhaw</p>  	<p>Ilex decidua</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (15' tall by 15' wide) deciduous shrub; open habit • Flowers: small, white, not showy • Fruit: exceptional red/orange fruits in winter • Fall color: none • Culture: sun or shade; adaptable to soils • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: woodlands, back of mixed shrub bed • Native to Arkansas

<p>Purpleleaf Sand Cherry </p> 	<p><i>Prunus x cistena</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (8' tall by 9' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: delicate pink flowers in April before or as leaves emerge • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none; Dramatic purple leaves all growing season • Culture: full sun; provide constant moisture during summer months; Best suited to cooler Northwest corner of Arkansas • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: specimen
<p>Pyracantha; Firethorn </p> 	<p><i>Pyracantha coccinea</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (12' tall by 12' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: dramatic white flowers in May • Fruits: November thru January brilliant orange-red fruits • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant once established • Disease/insect: susceptible to fireblight (bacteria) • Use: shrub, hedge, arbor • Cultivars: many • Misc: thorny
<p>Redleaf Japanese Barberry </p> 	<p><i>Berberis thunbergii</i> var. <i>atropurpurea</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small deciduous shrub (3' tall by 3' wide) • Flowers: small, yellow, insignificant • Fruits: red, can be attractive in winter • Fall color: variable. Can be red-orange • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: median strips, massed in beds, tolerates shearing • Cultivars: many. Most popular are red-purple foliage cultivars (e.g. 'Crimson Pygmy', 'Concorde', 'Rose Glow' purple foliage with pink speckling)
<p>Redosier Dogwood; Redtwig Dogwood </p> 	<p><i>Cornus sericea</i> (f. <i>stolonifera</i>)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 8' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: generally not dramatic; white, terminal cymes in early summer • Fruit: not dramatic and brief, white • Fall color: deep purple • Twigs: exceptional in winter, bright red. Best color on new wood so routinely renewal prune • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, sun or shade; adaptable to very wet areas. Must provide lots of water if located in full sun • Disease/insect: foliar leaf spot common • Use: edge of stream/pond, massed • Cultivar: 'Isanti' and 'Kelsey' are more compact. 'Flaviramea' has bright yellow twigs • Often incorrectly sold as <i>C. stolonifera</i>

<p>Rhododendron</p>  	<p>Rhododendron sp.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium/large (9' tall by 9' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: dramatic flowers (vary in color from white, purple, pink, red) • Culture: partial shade; demands soil with organic matter and adequate moisture during summer; True rhododendrons are better suited to Northwest Arkansas or shaded landscapes in central Arkansas with soils rich in organic matter and moisture • Cultivars: many different species and cultivars
<p>Rugosa Rose</p>  	<p>Rosa rugosa</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (5' tall by 5' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: pink/purple flowers • Fruit: orange, rose hip • Fall color: orange/red in cooler climates, generally not great in south • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant once established • Disease/insect: none serious; Less affected by diseases than hybrids • Use: massed • Cultivars: species rose
<p>Sasanqua Camellia</p>  	<p>Camellia sasanqua</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (8' tall by 8' wide) broadleaf evergreen • Flowers: very showy. Flowers late fall (Oct. thru Dec.). Typically flowers before Japanese Camellia (C. japonica) • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen. Leaves more refined than Japanese Camellia (C. japonica) • Culture: same as above. Best in rich, moist soil, partial sun • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: screen, back of mixed shrub border • Cultivars: many. Similar flower choices as Japanese Camellia (C. japonica)
<p>Shore Juniper</p>  	<p>Juniperus conferta</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: low (18" tall by 6' wide) needle evergreen • Needles: Soft blue-green color • Culture: full sun; drought tolerant once established • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: groundcover. Probably best groundcover juniper for Arkansas • Cultivars: 'Blue Mist'; 'Blue Pacific'
<p>Slender Deutzia</p>  	<p>Deutzia gracilis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: small (3' tall by 4' wide) deciduous shrub; mounded habit • Fruit: noted for early spring, white flowers, not fragrant • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; adaptable to soils • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: massed, middle of mixed shrub bed

<p>Summersweet Clethra</p>  	<p>Clethra alnifolia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size; medium (5' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: showy. Terminal white spikes early summer • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: generally not significant. Can be golden yellow like hickories • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, partial sun • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: naturalizing, massed • Cultivars: several. 'Hummingbird' is tighter habit and white flowers; pink selections include ('Ruby Spice', 'Pink Spires')
<p>Sweetspire; Virginia Sweetspire</p>  	<p>Itea virginica</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (4' tall by 9' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: significant, white, terminal racemes, May/June • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: reliable, spectacular maroon fall color • Culture: sun to partial sun; moist soil • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: mass, spreads by rhizomes • Cultivars; 'Henry's Garnet'; 'Saturnalia'; 'Merlot'
<p>Thorny Elaeagnus</p>  	<p>Elaeagnus pungens (E.x ebbingei)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: fast growing, large 12' tall by 12' wide) broadleaf evergreen; very wild habit unless pruned • Flowers: extremely fragrant flowers in the fall, but not showy • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none/broadleaf evergreen • Culture: sun; very adaptable to soil type • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: must be sheared; good for screen/hedge • Similar to E. x ebbingei
<p>Vanhoutte Spirea</p>  	<p>Spiraea x vanhouttei</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (6' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub, classic arching stems • Flowers: dramatic white flowers in mid-spring (April) • Fruit: not significant (dry capsule) • Fall color: depending on fall can be nice purple/orange • Culture: full sun; adaptable to most soils • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: massed, mixed shrub border • Prune after flowering

<p>Variegated Chinese Privet *</p>  	<p>Ligustrum sinensis 'Variegata'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 12' wide) • Flowers: white terminal panicles, not significant due to variegated foliage • Fruit: not significant, blue-black berry (drupe); helps plant spread rapidly • Fall color: none; white-green variegated leaf all growing season • Culture: full sun; very tough. Adaptable to most soils • Disease/insect: none • Use: very common deciduous filler shrub; the non-variegated species and this cultivar can almost be considered weedy
<p>Variegated Euonymus</p>  	<p>Euonymus japonicus 'Aureus'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: this cultivar is low (2' tall x 4'). Broadleaf evergreen • Culture: sun; adaptable to soil type • Disease/insect: Euonymus scale a problem • Use: low, evergreen groundcover • Cultivars: many cultivars and forms available besides this one
<p>Weeping Yaupon Holly</p>  	<p>Ilex vomitoria 'Pendula'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (15' tall by 5' wide) weeping broadleaf evergreen • Fruit: heavy red fruit display • Use: specimen plant
<p>Weigela</p>  	<p>Weigela florida</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (6' tall by 8' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: showy, funnel flowers in May; pink, white, yellow, red • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: sun; very adaptable once established • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: mass, shrub bed • Cultivars: many; 'Eva Rathki', 'Minuet', 'Red Prince', 'Variegata'
<p>Winged Euonymus</p>  	<p>Euonymus alatus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (7' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: yellow/green, not showy • Fruit: brilliant orange, can be significant after foliage drops and if in sufficient numbers • Fall color: exceptional, pink • Twigs: distinctive 'wings' • Culture: best in rich, moist soil; best in partial sun to shade. Very shade tolerant • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: individual plant, naturalizing, deciduous hedge • Cultivars: 'Compactus' (red fall color; similar size) more common in trade

<p>Winter Honeysuckle</p> 	<p>Lonicera fragrantissima</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (8' tall by 8' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: extremely fragrant flowers; February/March; flower display not overwhelming since leaves not present • Fruit: red, early summer, rarely see • Fall color: none • Culture: full to partial sun; very adaptable to soil type • Disease/insect: none serious • Use: deciduous hedge, mixed shrub border
<p>Winter Jasmine</p> 	<p>Jasminum nudiflorum</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium (4' tall by 7' wide) deciduous shrub • Flowers: late winter (February/March) for weeks; golden yellow on green stems • Fruit: not significant • Fall color: none • Culture: full sun; adaptable to most soils • Misc: pinnately compound leaf, 3 leaflets
<p>Wintergreen Barberry</p> 	<p>Berberis julianae</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: medium 5' tall by 5' wide • Flower: yellow flowers (not significant) March • Fruit: black fruit (drupe) not showy • Fall color: none/ broadleaf evergreen; Very spiny leaf margin • Culture: full sun. Soil tolerant. Tough • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: low hedge; block traffic
<p>Witchhazel</p> 	<p>Hamamelis virginiana</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: large (10' tall by 10' wide) deciduous shrub; very irregular habit, open • Flowers: noted for yellow, strap-like flowers in late fall/early winter • Fruit: not significant (woody capsule) • Fall color: yellowish or golden yellow • Culture: best in rich, moist soil, sun or shade. Flowers well in shade • Disease/insect: none significant • Use: naturalizing • Cultivars: hybrid selections such as 'Arnold's Promise', 'Jelena', 'Sunburst' even more dramatic flowering in early spring; native H. vernalis flowers mid-winter/early spring
<p>Yew</p> 	<p>Taxus sp.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needle evergreen • Culture: partial shade to shade; rich, moist soil best: Best suited to Northwest Arkansas (cooler) • Cultivars: many for plant habit • Trademark of landscapes in north • Tolerates shearing

Yucca



Yucca
filamentosa

- Size: small (foliage 18" tall) shrub
- Flowers: dramatic, white flower panicle May through June
- Culture: full sun; great for hot, dry locations
- Disease/insect: none serious
- Use: Southwestern appearance, rock gardens

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