

Sue Thompson's and Abbie Wharton's FAVORITE NATIVE PLANTS

TREES

Nyssa sylvatica—Black Gum—Exquisite form, outstanding early fall color
Magnolia virginiana—Swamp Magnolia—Graceful semi-evergreen tree with fragrant bloom, tolerates wet feet

Magnolia grandiflora—Southern Magnolia—Outstanding evergreen with beautiful foliage for arranging and lovely bloom.

Magnolia macrophylla—Bigleaf Magnolia—Fascinating HUGE leaves! A children's dream tree.

Pinus strobus—Eastern White Pine—Exquisite blue-green long needles. Graceful, great arranging material

Cornus florida—Dogwood—Nothing like its blooms in spring, great fall color, wonderful shape
Cotinus obovatus—American Smoketree—Outstanding fall color in large ovate leaves

Cornus alternifolia—Pagoda Dogwood—A hidden gem loved by Doug Tallamy
Quercus alba—White Oak—The great oak, magnificent structure, host plant for hundreds of native insects

Acer saccharum—Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum* subsp. *nigrum*—Black Maple better for the south!)—Nothing can challenge the fall color....and the syrup!

Cladrastis kentuckea—American Yellowwood—Beautiful, graceful tree with light green compound leaves, wonderful white blooms every other year

Aesculus pavia—Red Buckeye—A fabulous small tree in the landscape—bloom is outstanding
Vitex agnus-castus—Chaste Tree—One of the great native blooming trees—lovely later summer periwinkle blue blooms, wonderful seed heads

SHRUBS

Cephalanthus occidentalis—Button Bush—butterfly and honeybee magnet, quirky bloom

Lindera benzoin—Spicebush—Great native shrub for wetlands, wonderful multi-use shrub

Fothergilla gardenii—Dwarf Witch Alder—outstanding fall color in each leaf, fun spring bloom

Callicarpa americana—Beautyberry—Striking purple fall berries

Chionanthus virginicus—Fringe Tree—fragrant and magical bloom

Hydrangea arborescens 'Annabelle'—Annabelle Hydrangea—dependable bloom on new wood, great dried

Hydrangea quercifolia 'Snowflake'—Snowflake Oakleaf Hydrangea—exquisite double bloom, dries beautifully

Aesculus parviflora—Bottlebrush Buckeye—One of George Washington's shrubs! Great suckering presence in the garden

Rhododendron periclymenoides—Pinxterbloom Azalea—A springtime treasure, fragrant and graceful

Lonicera fragrantissima—Winter Honeysuckle—Blooming from January for at least a month, blousy shrub with nice blue-green foliage, incredibly fragrant bloom

Illicium floridanum—Florida Anise Tree—Outstanding shade evergreen with unique flower

Weigela florida 'Variegata'—Variegated Weigela—lovely weigela, great foliage for

arranging
Philadelphus lewisii—Mock Orange—Heavenly scent

WOODY VINES

Lonicera sempervirens—Coral Honeysuckle—dependable, loved by insects
Wisteria frutescens—American Wisteria—super alternative to the invasive wisteria

PERENNIAL

Amsonia hubrichtii—Threadleaf Amsonia—outstanding species with threadlike leaves that turn golden in fall

Baptisia australis—False Indigo—one of the greatest native perennials, beautiful blue bloom and blue green foliage that retains its form all summer

Iris versicolor—Sweet Flag Iris—water-loving, delicate bloom

Phlox divaricata—Woodland Phlox—lights up the shady garden

Aquilegia canadensis—Columbine—cheery and dependable, reseeds well

Mertensia virginica—Virginia Bluebells—magical

Trillium grandiflorum—Great White Trillium—exquisite

Lilium superbum—Turk's Cap Lily—phenomenal show, multiplies really well

Spigelia marilandica—Indian Pink—unique bloom

Aesclepias tuberosa—Butterfly Weed—sure to bring Monarchs, great orange accent

Lobelia siphilitica—Great Blue Lobelia—magnificent bloom

Asarum canadense—Wild Ginger (ground cover)—lovely heart-shaped leaves carpet the ground

Adiantum pedatum—Northern Maidenhair Fern—ethereal beauty, delicate

Matteuccia struthiopteris—Ostrich Fern—breath-taking large fronds full of grace