

Shade Plants

for San Francisco Gardens



Woodland Strawberry



Coffee Berry



Baby Blue Eyes



Miners Lettuce



Pink Flowering Currant

Deep Shade: Thrives without any sun ever

Ferns

- Coastal Wood Fern (*Dryopteris arguta*)
- Coffee Fern (*Pellaea andromedifolia*)
- California Polypody (*Polypodium californicum*)
- Western Sword Fern (*Polystichum munitum*)

Grasses

- Horsetail (*Equisetum arvense*)
- Scouringrush Horsetail (*Equisetum hyemale* ssp. *affine*)
- Western Rye Grass (*Elymus glaucus* ssp. *glaucus*)
- Blue Wildrye (*Elymus glaucus*)
- Creeping Wild Rye (*Elymus triticoides*)

Shrubs

- Pink Flowering Currant (*Ribes sanguineum glutinosum*)
- Canyon Gooseberry (*Ribes menziesii*)
- CoffeeBerry (*Frangula californica*)
- Snowberry (*Symphoricarpos albus* var. *laevigatus*)

Ground Cover

- GroundcoverWoodland Strawberry (*Fragaria vesca*)
- Creeping Snowberry (*Symphoricarpos mollis*)
- Hookedspur Violet (*Viola adunca* ssp. *adunca*)
- Wild Ginger (*Asarum caudatum*)
- Yerba Buena (*Clinopodium douglasii*)
- Pacific Blackberry (*Rubus ursinus*)

Shorter Flowers

- Columbine (*Aquilegia formosa*)
- Bleeding Heart (*Dicentra formosa*)
- Western Houndstongue (*Adelinia grande*)
- Tellima (*Tellima grandiflora*)
- Meadow Rue (*Thalictrum fendleri* var. *fendleri*)
- Pacific Sanicle (*Sanicula crassicaulis*)



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Medium Shade: Deep shade OK but needs some sun sometime during the year to flower or fruit

Shorter Flowers

- Monkey Flower Savory (*Clinopodium mimuloides*)
- Coral Bells (*Heuchera micrantha*)
- Shooting star (*Primula hendersonii*)
- Hummingbird Sage (*Salvia spathacea*)
- California Bee Plant (*Scrophularia californica*)
- Ajuga Hedge Nettle (*Stachys ajugoides*)
- Giant Wakerobin (*Trillium chloropetalum*)

Vines

- Dutchman's Pipevine (*Aristolochia californica*)
- California Honeysuckle (*Lonicera hispidula*)

Shrubs

- Coast Barberry (*Berberis pinnata var pinnata*)
- Cream Bush (*Holodiscus discolor*)
- Thimbleberry (*Rubus parviflorus*)
- Salmonberry (*Rubus spectabilis*)
- Huckleberry (*Vaccinium ovatum*)
- Douglas's Spirea (*Spiraea douglasii*)

Trees

- California Hazelnut (*Corylus cornuta ssp. californica*)
- Coast Silktassel (*Garrya elliptica*)
- Blue Elderberry (*Sambucus nigra ssp. cerulea*)

Light Shade: Regular small amounts of sun/part shade/high shade

Shorter Flowers

- Seaside Daisy (*Erigeron glaucus*)
- Seep Monkey Flower (*Erythranthe guttata*)
- Scarlet Monkeyflower (*Erythranthe cardinalis*)
- Oregon Gumweed (*Grindelia stricta*)
- Bush Monkey Flower (*Mimulus aurantiacus*)
- California Aster (*Symphotrichum chilense*)
- Johnny Jump Up (*Viola pedunculata*)

Grasses

- Blue Wildrye (*Elymus glaucus*)
- California Fescue (*Festuca californica*)
- Red Fescue (*Festuca rubra*)
- Melica (*Melica imperfecta*)

Shrubs

- Douglas' Sagewort (*Artemisia douglasiana*)
- Coyotebrush (*Baccharis pilularis consanguinea*)
- Cow Parsnip (*Heracleum maximum*)
- White Pitcher Sage (*Lepechinia calycina*)
- Malva Rosa (*Malva assurgentiflora*)

Trees

- Dogwood (*Cornus glabrata, sericea sericea, nuttallii*)
- Toyon (*Heteromeles arbutifolia*)
- California Wax Myrtle (*Morella californica*)
- Hollyleaf Cherry (*Prunus ilicifolia*)

Pots & Containers: Shade tolerant annuals and bulbs

Annuals

- Miner's lettuce (*Claytonia perfoliata, sibirica*)
- Serpentine Springbeauty (*Claytonia exigua ssp. exigua*)
- Purple Chinese Houses (*Collinsia heterophylla*)
- Phacelia (*Phacelia ciliata, distans, douglasii, malvifolia, nemoralis and ramosissima*)
- Farewell To Spring (*Clarkia unguiculata*)
- Baby Blue Eyes (*Nemophila menziesii*)

Bulbs

- Douglas Iris (*Iris douglasiana*)
- Brodiaea (*Brodiaea elegans elegans, terrestris*)
- Blue Eyed Grass (*Sisyrinchium bellum*)
- Blue Dicks (*Dichelostemma capitatum capitatum*)
- Soap Plant (*Chlorogalum pomeridianum pomeridianum*)
- Mariposa Lily* (*Calochortus albus*)
*not all Mariposa Lilies are shade tolerant, so check sun/shade tolerance when you select your lily