

# Shade Loving Trees & Shrubs

*Much of the beauty of our landscapes is created by contrasts of light and shadow as they are filtered over lawn and garden. The amount of shade a plant can endure is only one key to its survival. Soil; its structure, organic composition, and PH are also important factors. Shaded plants require pruning to maintain form, feeding to keep them healthy, and supplemental water in dry time periods.*

*Foliage contrasts are important in shade gardens. Example: Broadleaf next to needle-like foliage & Hosta with English Yew.*

*Few plants flower heavily in dense shade; however, flowers in partial shade last longer and don't fade as fast as in full sun.*

**SHADE TOLERANCE CODE: L=Light Shade, M=Medium Shade, D=Dense Shade**

## Shade-Loving Needled Evergreens

	Code
Canadian Hemlock ( <i>Tusuga canadensis</i> )	L
Concolor Fir ( <i>Abies concolor</i> )	L
Densa Yew ( <i>Taxus x media</i> )	M,D
English Yew ( <i>Taxus baccata</i> 'Repandens')	M,D
Hinoki Cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis obtusa</i> cvs.)	M
Mugho Pine ( <i>Pinus mugho</i> )	L
Russian Cypress ( <i>Microbiota decussata</i> )	L,M

## Shade-Loving Broadleaf Evergreens

American Holly ( <i>Ilex opaca</i> )	L
Aucuba ( <i>Aucuba japonica</i> )	D
Azaleas	L,M
Blue Hollies ( <i>Ilex meservae</i> )	L
Boxwood ( <i>Buxus</i> Species)	L
Cherry Laurel ( <i>Prunus laurocerasus</i> )	M
Drooping Leucothoe ( <i>Leucothoe</i> spp. & cvs)	M
Euonymus ( <i>Euonymus</i> spp. & cvs)	L,M
False Holly ( <i>Osmanthus</i> )	M
Glossy Abelia ( <i>Abelia grandiflora</i> )	L
Heavenly Bamboo ( <i>Nandina</i> )	M
Inkberry ( <i>Ilex glabra</i> )	M
Japanese Andromeda ( <i>Pieris japonica</i> )	M
Japanese Holly ( <i>Ilex crenata</i> )	M
Leatherleaf Viburnum ( <i>Viburnum rhytidaphylum</i> )	L
Mahonia spp. & cvs.	M,D
Mountain Laurel ( <i>Kalmia</i> )	M,D
Native Rhododendron ( <i>Rhododendron maximum</i> )	D
Rhododendron Hybrids	L,M
Skimmia	M
William Penn Barberry ( <i>Berberis</i> )	M

## Shade-Loving Deciduous Shrubs

## Code




Blueberry ( <i>Vaccinium</i> )	L,M
Chokeberry ( <i>Aronia arbutifolia</i> )	M
Cotoneaster Varieties	L
Forsythia	L
Honeysuckle ( <i>Lonicera</i> )	M
Hydrangea Varieties	L,M
Japanese Kerria ( <i>Kerria japonica</i> )	M,D
Privet ( <i>Ligustrum</i> )	M
Spicebush ( <i>Lindera benzoin</i> )	M
Snowberry ( <i>Symphoricarpos</i> )	M,D
St. John's Wort ( <i>Hypericum</i> )	L
Summersweet ( <i>Clethra alnifolia</i> )	M
Sweetshrub ( <i>Calycanthus floridus</i> )	L
Viburnum spp.	L
Virginia Sweetspire ( <i>Itea virginica</i> )	L,M
Witchhazel ( <i>Hamamelis</i> )	L

## Shade-Loving Deciduous Trees

Dogwood ( <i>Cornus species</i> )	L
Enkianthus	L
Fringetree ( <i>Chionanthus virginicus</i> )	L
Redbud spp. & cvs.	L,M
Serviceberry ( <i>Amelanchier canadensis</i> )	L,M
Sourwood ( <i>Oxydendrum arboreum</i> )	L,M
Sweetbay Magnolia ( <i>Magnolia virginiana</i> )	L,M
Threadleaf Maple ( <i>Acer palmatum</i> )	L

## Shade-Loving Groundcovers & Vines



Ajuga	M
Bittersweet ( <i>Celastrus scandens</i> )	L,M
Clematis Sweet Autumn ( <i>Clematis paniculata</i> )	L
Climbing Hydrangea ( <i>Hydrangea petiolaris</i> )	L,M
English Ivy ( <i>Hedera helix</i> )	D
Liriope spp.	D
Pachysandra ( <i>Pachysandra terminalis</i> )	D
Wintercreeper ( <i>Euonymus fortunei</i> )	M