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Our Favorite Flowering Shrubs, Trees, & Vines

Shrubs:

Azalea Exbury – Flowers in spring for about 2-weeks, plant in protected location out of the wind.

Azalea Evergreen – Flowers in spring for about 2-weeks, plant in a protected location, very few varieties are hardy.

*Butterfly Bush – Flowers in summer for a long period of time, gets real big, may die back in severe winters.

Dwarf Lilacs - Flowers in spring for about 2-weeks and is very fragrant.

Dwarf Rhododendron (PJM) – Flowers in early spring for about 2-weeks and is hardy.

Forsythia – Flowers in spring last for about 2-weeks. (We carry varieties that will flower here with yellow flowers.)

*Hydrangea (PG, Annabell, Tardiva, Unique) – Flowers up to 2-months in late summer.

Lilacs – Flowers in spring for about 2-weeks and are very fragrant.

Miniature Rhododendron – Flowers in spring for about 2-weeks and needs to be planted in a protected location.

Mountain Laurel – Flowers in late spring for about 2-weeks, plant in a protected location.

Pieris Japonica – Flowers in early spring for about 2-weeks. Flowers look like Lily-of-the-Valley flowers. Plant in protected location.

*Potentilla – Flowers in the summer for a long period.

Purple Leaf Sandcherry – Flowers in the spring for about 2-weeks.

*Rose of Sharon – Flowers in late summer, needs to be planted in town with a protected location.

*Roses – Protect from winter injury, plant in full sun.

*Spirea – Flowers in the summer. Shirobana flowers nearly all summer; very hardy.

Standard Rhododendron – Flowers in early spring for about 2-weeks. Does best in protected location.

Viburnum – Flowers in late spring for 2-3 weeks, need a protected area. Burkwoodi is fragrant.

Weigelia – Flowers in early summer for 2-3 weeks, needs a protected area.

Note: Much color in the landscape can be obtained by using shrubs with "bright colored foliage" such as:

Blue Chip Juniper
Blue Dwarf Gold Spruce
Burning Bush (red in the fall)
Crimson Red Barberry (Dwarf & Rose Glow)
Diablo Ninebark (maroon)
Fat Albert Blue Spruce
Gold Mop Juniper

Gold Mound Spirea
Golden Barberry (Dwarf)
Icee Blue Juniper
Moffat Blue Juniper
Purple Leaf Sandcherry
Saybrook Gold Juniper
Variegated Euonymus

(Gold & green, Green & white)

& many more colorful shrubs!

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Flowering Vines:

*Clematis Vines – Flowers in the summer. Plant in sun, keep roots shaded and cool.

Climbing Hydrangea Petiolaris – Flowers in summer. Plant in shade.

*Climbing Roses – Flowers in the summer for over 1-2 months.

Silver Lace Vine – Has white flowers in late summer. Available in June.

*Trumpet Vines – Flowers in late summer for over 1-month. Plant in sun.

Wisteria Vines – Tricky to get to flower in our area.

Flowering Perennials:

See "Our Favorite Perennial" list.

Flowering Trees:

All fruit trees – Flowers in early spring for 7-10 days.

- **Flowering Crabapple Trees Flowers in early spring.
- **Flowering Pear Trees Flowers in early spring. (No fruit)
- **Hydrangea Flowers in the summer for a long period of time.

Lilac – Flowers in the spring and area fragrant. Ivory Silk has white flowers in the summer, but they aren't fragrant.

Magnolia – Flowers in early spring. Large pink and white flowers can be hurt by spring frosts. Plant in a protected location.

**Purple Leaf Sandcherry – Has white flowers for one week in the spring.

Redbud – Flowers in early spring. Cold hardy, but doesn't take stress well.

Rose of Sharon (Hibiscus) – Flowers for over one month in late summer. Needs a protected location in town.

**Weeping Cherry – White variety flowers dependably in our area and is the best choice. The pink variety does not flower most years and is not as hardy.

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^{**}This is one of our favorites for this time of year.