

PLANTS FOR SHADY PONDS

These recommendations are for shady ponds with at least three hours of direct sunlight each day. While some of these plants may grow with even less sunlight, they may not flower.

Floating plants:

Azolla/ Minature Water Fern
Hydrocharis morus-ranae/Frogbit
Lemma minor/Duckweed
Pistia stratioides/Water Lettuce*

Submerged aquatic plants (oxygenators):

Ceratophyllum demersum/Hornwort
Marsilea mutica/Water Clover
Myriophyllum aquaticum/Parrot's Feather*
Vallisneria spiralis/Tape Grass

Deep Water Aquatics (Water Lilies & related plants):

Hydrocleys commersoni/Water Poppy*
Marsilea mutica/Water Clover
Nymphaea sp. & hybrids/Hardy Water Lilies (selected varieties)
Reds: Attraction, Chas. de Meurville, Gloriosa, James Brydon, Lucida
Pink: Fabiola, Masaniello, Rose Laydekeri
White: Gladstone, Hal Miller, Hermine
Yellow: Charlene Strawn, Chromatella, Helvola, Joey Tomocik, Texas Dawn
Changeable: Chrysantha, Commanche, Graziella
Nymphaea sp. & hybrids/Tropical Water Lilies (selected varieties)*
Nymphoides crenata/Yellow-fringed Snowflake

Shallow-water bog plants:

Acorus sp./Sweet Flag
Calla palustris/Bog Arum
Caltha palustris sp./ Marsh Marigold
Colocasia sp./Taro*
Cyperus sp./Papyrus*
Echinodorus sp./Radican Sword
Equisetum sp./Horsetail Rush
Houttuynia sp./Houttuynia
Iris fulva/Red Iris
Iris louisiana/Louisiana Iris
Iris versicolor/Versicolor Blue Iris
Juncus sp./ Rush
Lobelia sp./Lobelia
Marsilea quadrifolia/Upright Water Clover
Menyanthes trifoliata/Bog Bean
Nasturtium officinale/Water Cress
Orontium aquaticum/Golden Club
Peltandra virginica/Spoonflower
Saururus sp./Lizard's Tail
Scirpus albescens/Variegated Bullrush
Scirpus zebrinus/Zebra Rush
Sagittaria sp./Arrowhead
Thalia sp./Hardy Water Canna
Typha latifolia variegata/Variegated Cattail

*Tropical or semi-tropical plants



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