

SUGGESTED PLANT LIST FOR THE ISLES ANNUALS AND PERENNIALS

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African Iris

Botanical Name: *Dietes iridioides*

Comments: Narrow, evergreen strap-like foliage; white/blue flowers.

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Amaryllis

Botanical Name: Hippeastrum

Comments: Large trumpet flowers in spring and strap-like leaves. Spreader in the landscape; best in containers.

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Angelonia

Botanical Name: *Angelonia angustifolia*

Comments: Winter-spring annual. Serena series – compact and long blooming.

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Baby Sunrose

Botanical Name: *Aptenia cordifolia*

Comments: Green or variegated foliage with red or yellow flowers. Good in pots or rock gardens.

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Begonia, Dragon Wing

Botanical Name: Begonia hybrid

Comments: Dragon wing begonias have large leaves and stunning flowers, growing to 2'-4'; grows well in humid climates. Works well in the landscape and in containers. Angel wing begonias are similar but growing more upright.

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Blue Daze

Botanical Name: *Evolvulus glomeratus* 'Blue Daze'

Comments: Grey-green foliage with small blue flowers spring-fall. 'Blue My Mind' is an improved variety with more compact foliage and more prolific flowering. Good in planters as well.

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Bromeliad

Botanical Name: Bromelia

Comments: Numerous varieties; some are best suited to part shade and others can tolerate sun. Landscape plants do best in sandy soil or soil with very good drainage.

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Bulbine

Botanical Name: *Bulbine frutescens*

Comments: Grass like foliage with orange or yellow flowers; full to part sun. Nice in rock gardens.

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Caladium

Botanical Name: Caladium

Comments: Numerous varieties; some do well in the sun. Will survive in the landscape with well-drained soil; nice container plant.

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Cast Iron Plant

Botanical Name: *Aspidistra elatior*

Comments: As the name suggests, this plant is tough as nails. Great shade plant; spreads very slowly. Perfect for that 'impossible corner'.

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Coleus

Botanical Name: Solenostemon

Comments: Coleus is a heat tolerant annual that thrives even in Florida summers. Many varieties offering brilliant colors and multi-colored leaves. Many of the newer varieties do well in sun as well.

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Dipladenia

Botanical Name: Mandevilla ssp.

Comments: Bushy type of mandevilla; red or pink flowers. Blooms most of the year. Good in containers.

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Fakahatchee Grass, Dwarf

Botanical Name: *Tripsacum floridanum*

Comments: Dwarf variety grows to 3'. Works well in rain gardens and is also useful to stabilize soil on a slope. Allow space to grow; looks best when cut back on annual basis.

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Firecracker Flower

Botanical Name: *Crossandra infundibuliformis*

Comments: Dark green glossy leaves with peachy-orange flowers almost all year. 'Orange Marmalade' is an improved variety.

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Firespike

Botanical Name: *Odontonema cuspidatum*

Comments: Tall growing perennial with red or purple flowers; part sun to sun.

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Fountain Grass

Botanical Name: *Pennisetum alopecuroides*

Comments: Green or red foliage; soft compact plumes.

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Geranium

Botanical Name: Pelargonium

Comments: Cool season annual; good in landscape or in containers. Look their best with regular deadheading.

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Ground Orchids

Botanical Name: *Epidendrum radicans*

Comments: Does best in part sun. Grows 2'-3'; orange flowers.

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Iris, Walking

Botanical Name: *Nemomaria* spp.

Comments: Clumping perennial; small orchid like flower which lasts just a day. Plantlets form at the top of flower stalk and eventually stalk bends toward the ground and the plantlet takes root – hence the common name.

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Lantana 'Bloomify'

Botanical Name: Lantana spp. 'Bloomify'

Comments: This lantana is one of the sterile varieties developed at UF/IFAS. Other sterile varieties are available as well. Lantana thrives in heat and sun making it a very hardy perennial in our area.

Please be aware that Lantana camera, a non-sterile lantana, is on the list of invasive plants in the state of Florida.

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Lily of the Nile

Botanical Name: *Agapanthus africanus*

Comments: Strappy dark green leaves; stunning ball shaped flowers in shades of blue and purple as well as white. Part sun is best; blooms in the spring. Attracts hummingbirds and pollinators.

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Liriope

Botanical Name: *Liriope muscari* 'Evergreen Giant'

Comments: Evergreen groundcover with strappy leaves and purple flowers. *Liriope muscari* clump forming; *Liriope spicata* is spreading and difficult to control.

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Mexican Heather

Botanical Name: *Cuphea hyssopifolia*

Comments: Low growing plant with nice texture; small lavender flowers.

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Mondo Grass

Botanical Name: *Ophiopogon japonicus*

Comments: Dark green grass like foliage; slow growing to 6". Shade- part shade is best. Often used between stepping stones.

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Pentas

Botanical Name: *Pentas lanceolata*

Comments: Dependable perennial (in our area); heat tolerant; various colors; attracts hummingbirds and butterflies. Can rejuvenate by cutting it back.

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Peperomia

Botanical Name: Peperomia

Comments: Thick, waxy leaves; makes a nice ground cover for shade; slow growing.

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Purple Queen

Botanical Name: *Tradescantia pallida*

Comments: Spreading groundcover; best in part sun-part shade. Some members of the *Tradescantia* family are considered invasive in the state of Florida.

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Sedum

Botanical Name: Sedum spp.

Comments: Sedum comes in a variety of sizes and colors. Florida Friendly Gold is a small scale spreading groundcover with soft needle-like foliage.

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Shrimp Plant

Botanical Name: *Justica brandegeana*

Comments: Bracts and flowers appear almost year around; best in part shade with regular water. Grows 2'-6' tall but can be pruned. Attracts hummingbirds.

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Society Garlic

Botanical Name: *Tulboghia violacea*

Comments: Clump-forming perennial with grass-like leaves and clusters of lavender flowers spring – fall.

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SunPatiens[®]

Botanical Name: SunPatiens[®]

Comments: SunPatiens were developed by a Japanese seed company. They come in numerous colors and grow well most of the year in Florida.

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Vinca

Botanical Name: *Catharanthus rosea*

Comments: Heat lover; numerous colors; may fail with too much water.