

Color For All Seasons

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Plant Selection Considerations

- Soil pH
- Hardiness (Microclimates)
- Exposure
- Size/Life of the plant
- Personal preferences

Soil pH

Soil pH: the degree of acidity or alkalinity of soil.

14 - Alkaline

7 - Neutral

1 - Acidic

Guidelines:

- Ideal: between 5.5 and 7.5 Utah is about 8
- Acceptable: between 5.0 and 8.2
- Acid Loving Azaleas, Rhododendron, Magnolias
- Alkaline Loving Juniper, Russian Olive, Salt Cedar

Hardiness

- USDA Hardiness Zone Map
- Average annual minimum temperature
- Our area is a safe 4-5 (-10 to -30F)

USDA PLANT HARDINESS ZONES



Microclimates

- Microclimates can be good or bad
- Valleys, nooks, hillsides . .
- North and South facing walls

Exposure

- Solar requirements:
- Full sun
- Full shade
- Part sun/shade (The safe one)

Size and Life of the Plant

- Right plant in the right place
- Consider mature height and width
- Growth rate
- Power lines
- Sidewalks, driveways and roads
- Other plants

Personal Preferences

- It's *your* yard! Plant what you like!
- Have one area that always *shines!*

Spring



Chionodoxa Lucillae



Crocus



Daffodils



Dutch Iris



Euphorbia



Fritillaria



CHOOSING A FRAGRANCE

The real key in choosing a fragrance for your garden is to smell the plants before you buy them. A fragrance that a friend raves about, may be unpleasant to you.

- Geoffrey Bernie

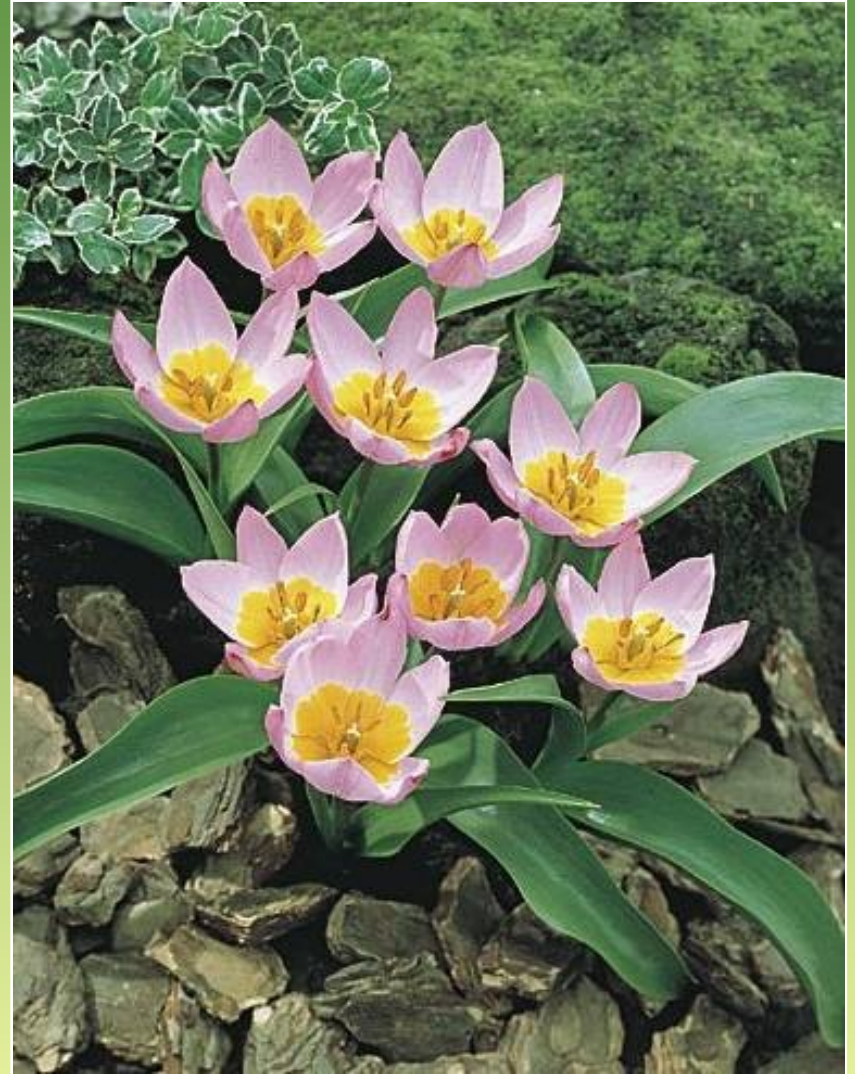
Hyacinths



Ranunculus



Tulips



Bergenia



Bleeding Heart



Creeping Phlox



Dianthus



English Daisy



Helleboris



Pansies



Penstemons



Poppies



Primrose



Snapdragons



Phlox



Bridal Wreath Spiraea



Flowering Almond



Flowering Quince



Forsythia



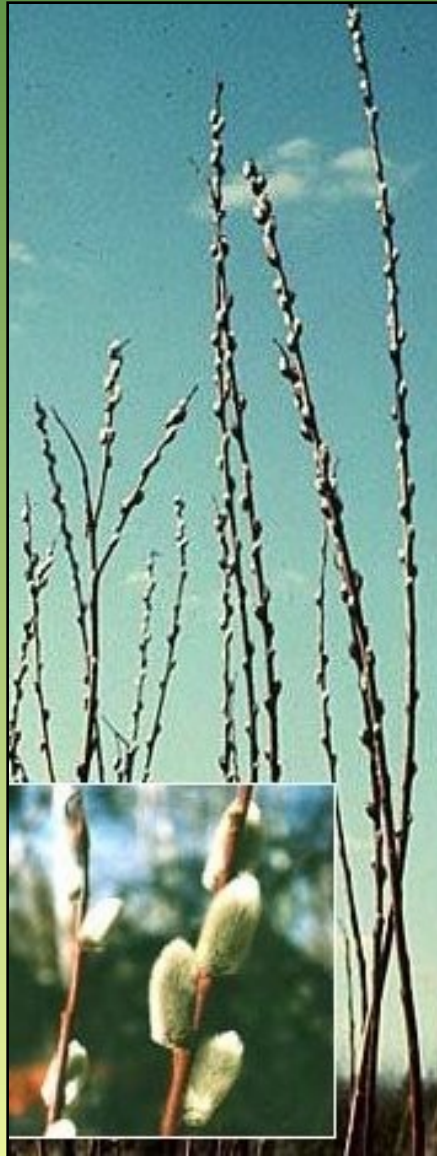
Lilacs



Peonies



Pussy Willow



Viburnum (Common Snowball)



Viburnum (Leather Leaf)



Magnolia Trees and Shrubs



Flowering Cherries (Kwanzan)





Royalty Crabapple



Snowcloud Crabapple



Flowering Crabapples



Flowering Plums



Eastern Redbud



Dragons Blood Sedum



Lamium (Beacon Silver)



Vinca Minor



Summer



Begonia Tuberous



Calla Lily



Canna Lily



Daylily



Dahlia



Gladiolus



Iris



Alyssum (Easter Basket)



Begonia Fibrous or Wax



Coleus



Cosmos



Daisy



Dusty Miller



Fuchsia



Hosta



Heliotrope



Geranium



Gazania



Impatiens



Lantana



Lisianthus



Lobelia



Marigolds



Nicotiana (aka Tobacco Plant)



Petunias



Salvia



Scaevola



Verbena



Vinca



Zinnia (Profusion)



Butterfly Bush



Hibiscus



Roses



Rose of Sharon



Weigela



Clematis



Creeping Jenny



Ipomoea Blackie



California Red Fountain Grass



Pampas Grass



Autumn



Asters



Chrysanthemum



Delphiniums



Dianthus



Fall Crocus (Colchicum)



Golden Rod



Ornamental Cabbage (Kale)



Pansies



Snapdragons



Cotoneaster



Dwarf Burning Bush



Heavenly Bamboo



Roses (Rose Hips)



Sumac (Smooth)



Hawthorns



Crabapples



Ivy (Boston)



Sedum (Autumn Joy)



Winter



Blue Spruce



Blue Spruce (Baby Blue Eyes)



Blue Spruce (Fat Albert)



Cedar of Lebanon (Weeping Form)



Columnar Oak



Eastern Red Bud



Paper Bark Maple



River Birch



Turkish Filbert



White Paper Birch



Dogwood



Contorted Filbert Shrub



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