



Cheekwood
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TOP PLANT PICKS

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Japanese Anemone (*Anemone hybrid 'Curtain Call Deep Rose'*)



Bloom Time: September–November

Sun Requirement: Part to full sun

Water Requirement: Medium

Wildlife: Attracts butterflies

Tolerates: Deer and Rabbits

Other: This fall blooming Anemone features dark rose pink blooms and mounding green foliage. 'Curtain Call Deep Rose' is smaller in stature, growing about 18 inches tall so it makes for a great container plant as well as a fine specimen for a border.

Native to North America: No

Zones: 4–8

Location: [Frist Learning Center](#)

Encore Azalea (*Rhododendron 'Autumn Royalty'*)



Bloom Time: April–November

Sun Requirement: Part to full sun

Water Requirement: Medium

Wildlife: Attracts bumblebees

Tolerates: Heat tolerant

Native to North America: No

Other: This Azalea puts on quite the floral display blooming from spring to fall, showing off large magenta flowers! The mature size of this shrub is about five feet, making it an excellent choice for a low-maintenance hedge or accent plant.

Zones: 6–10

Location: [Color Garden](#)

Mapleleaf Viburnum (*Viburnum acerifolium*)



Bloom Time: May–July

Sun Requirement: Part sun to full shade

Water Requirement: Medium

Wildlife: Host plant for Spring Azure butterfly and its fruits are eaten by songbirds, wild turkeys, and squirrels.

Tolerates: Dry Sites

Native to North America: Yes

Other: A native shrub that has year round interest: creamy white flowers in the spring, shiny black fruit in the summer that persists through the winter, and burgundy fall foliage. As the name suggests, the leaf of this Viburnum resembles that of a red maple!

Zones: 4–8

Location: [Howe Garden](#)

Coral Knockout Rose (*Rosa 'Radral'*)



Bloom Time: April-November

Sun Requirement: Full sun

Water Requirement: Medium

Wildlife: Attracts butterflies

Tolerates: Disease resistant and drought tolerant

Other: A compact shrub rose that blooms continuously from spring until frost, producing clusters of soft coral flowers. New emerging foliage is a bronze red hue.

Native to North America: No

Zones: 5-11

Location: [Bracken Foundation Children's Garden](#)

Tatarian Aster (*Aster tataricus 'Jindai'*)



Bloom Time: September-November

Sun Requirement: Full sun

Water Requirement: Medium

Wildlife: Attracts bumblebees and butterflies

Tolerates: Tolerates poor soils and drought

Native to North America: No

Other: The lavender rays & bright yellow centers of these flowers will cheer up any landscape later in the season when many perennials are done blooming. This aster is a pollinator magnet! 'Jindai' cultivar is more compact and grows 3 to 4 feet tall.

Zones: 4-8

Location: [Bracken Foundation Children's Garden](#)

Russian Sage (*Perovskia atriplicifolia*)



Bloom Time: August-September

Sun Requirement: Full sun

Water Requirement: Medium to low

Wildlife: Attracts butterflies and bees

Tolerates: Drought tolerant

Native to North America: No

Other: Russian Sage resembles lavender with its small blue flowers on long silver spikes and aromatic foliage. This perennial is extremely tough despite its delicate appearance!

Zones: 4-9

Location: [Sigourney Cheek Literary Garden](#)

Spike Moss (*Selaginella braunii*)



Bloom Time: N/A

Sun Requirement: Part sun to full shade

Water Requirement: Medium

Wildlife: N/A

Tolerates: Deer resistant

Native to North America: No

Other: The dark green, lacy semi-evergreen fronds of this spikemoss creates a lush groundcover. It is easy-to-grow and adds a textural element to any shade garden.

Zones: 6-9

Location: [Japanese Garden](#)

Mexican Tarragon (*Tagetes lucida*)



Bloom Time: October-November

Sun Requirement: Full Sun

Water Requirement: Medium

Wildlife: Attracts butterflies, bees, and birds

Tolerates: Drought tolerant

Other: The yellow-orange marigold-like blooms of Mexican Tarragon attract many pollinators as well as add a splash of color to any herb or perennial garden!

Native to North America: No

Zones: 8-11

Location: *Wills Perennial Garden*