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We are back and ready for spring! To help you get through those winter blues, we will be releasing a group of plants in February, March, and April. We're starting with shade plants. All of the plants listed below are tucked in our nursery for the winter. Buy them at each release, pick up later! When you finish your order, you will be asked to choose a date & time to pick up your plants. These dates will start the last week of March when the threat of severe cold has passed and it is safe for you to take these plants home. We hope you enjoy the collection we've put together & look forward to seeing you in the gardens!

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Shade Garden Selection

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<i>Alchemilla mollis</i> 'Thriller'	Lady's Mantle	'Thriller' is a larger growing selection of the species- up to 24" tall. Mounds of rich green, ruffled leaves support yellow/green flowers in late spring. Nice cut flower as well as a well-behaved garden plant. An excellent addition to the shade garden.
<i>Anemone</i> 'Pocahontas'	Fantasy™ Japanese Anemone	A choice new selection with double pink flowers in mid and late summer on a compact, 18" tall plant. Great for garden beds and containers. It will make a great cut flower to bring inside and after the flowers have finished, puffs of cottony seed heads add more interest in the fall garden.
<i>Aralia cordata</i> 'Sunking'	Japanese Spikenard	Perennial Plant Association plant of the year for 2020 and a Theodore Klein Award winner as well! This stout perennial will mature to a 4-5' tall and wide "shrub" in the garden with brilliant gold new growth fading to a soft chartreuse later in summer. More shade, more green - more sun, more gold - but not too much sun! Small white flowers in late summer yield glossy black fruit. Fabulous!
<i>Arisaema consanguineum</i>	Himalayan Cobra Lily	Very cool plant alert! Our native jack-in-the-pulpit's cousin from Asia who stands about 24" tall at maturity. A huge leaf of 12+ leaflets stands above the flower spathe (pulpit). Fantastic texture in the shade garden. This one multiplies easily, and large masses can be divided and spread every few years.
<i>Aruncus dioicus</i>	Goat's Beard	A big, beefy plant for that area of the garden that isn't quite full sun and not quite full shade. Give it some protection from the hot afternoon sun and provide adequate moisture and this plant is a show stopper. Growing to 4-6' tall, it sends up plumes of white flowers in the spring. Great texture plant for the garden.
<i>Asarum arifolium</i>	Arrowhead Ginger	This eastern Kentucky native, low-growing plant is similar to the other gingers but instead of the common round leaf, it has a pronounced arrowhead shape to the leaf. Evergreen, but during the winter, a nice purple hue may develop if cold enough. Small flowers appear in early spring at ground level and although not big and showy, it is always fun to lift up the leaves and take a look at such unusual blooms! Another common name for this plant is Little Brown Jug. It gets this name because the flowers are brown and (you guessed it) look like little brown jugs with small openings!
<i>Asarum canadense</i>	Wild Ginger	Native to the entire state of Kentucky, this little woodland plant stands about 3-5" tall. It isn't one of those big, cool, and showy flowers you can see from across the garden but bending down each spring to take a look at them is a gardening must. We have planted these in our incredibly-difficult-to-grow-about-anything area underneath the American beeches at Yew Dell. They remain happy despite the first two years in an inhospitable dry area. They have stayed green all summer and begun to create a great ground cover.



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<i>Begonia grandis ssp. evansiana</i>	Hardy Begonia	One of our most asked about plants for sale. Extremely hardy perennial in our area and a great addition of pink to the garden when it flowers in the fall. Grows to about 2" tall or so and needs to be protected from the hot afternoon sun. On windy days, the leaves blow back and forth and reveal a beautiful maroon underside. To propagate this plant, you can find the tiny bulbils in the leaf axils before this plant dies back in the fall. These tiny seed-looking structures are actually small, asexually-produced replicas of the plant that can be harvested and scattered in a new area of the garden.
<i>Decumaria barbara</i>	Wood Vamp	Also called a climbing hydrangea vine, this Eastern U.S. native plant can easily be confused with <i>Hydrangea anomola ssp. petiolaris</i> when seen in the garden. The flowers though are fragrant and very 'fuzzy' looking because of the numerous stamens. Incredibly glossy, dark green leaves do well in both shade and sun, as a groundcover or climbing vine, and in wet or standard moisture levels in the garden. In the wild, it is found growing near ravines and creeks. Yew Dell has a fine specimen located in the Sunken Rock Garden which these plants were propagated from.
<i>Disporopsis pernyi</i>	Evergreen Solomon Seal	We honestly have no idea why everyone isn't growing this plant! It grows 12" tall with glossy, evergreen foliage with small, bell-shaped flowers in white/green. Spreads slowly in the shade garden. Won't say deer-proof . . . but deer resistant! When temperatures drop below 10° Fahrenheit, the foliage finally takes a hit and will die back until the spring.
<i>Disporopsis pernyi</i> 'Sichuan Jade'	Evergreen Solomon Seal	Glossy, dark green foliage persists well into the early winter on nodding stems. Creamy white flowers have a green tinge to them and emerge from the leaf axils.
<i>Disporum sessile</i> 'Variegatum'	Fairy Bells	This close relative of our native Solomon's seal is a terrific plant in mass in the shade garden. When you enter the garden at Yew Dell from the Garden Gift Shop, take a look at the mass we have under the magnolia tree to your left. Growing to about 18" tall, this variegated form is a perfect underplanting to a specimen tree as we have it growing here.
<i>Eurybia divaricata</i> 'Eastern Star'	Wood Aster	Use this plant in open shade gardens, woodland areas, native, pollinator, or cottage gardens. It is a tough native plant that blooms in the shade and is quite deer and drought tolerant. A native, herbaceous perennial with showy white flowers appearing in clusters rise above the heart shaped leaves in late summer to fall and are a favorite of bees and butterflies.



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<i>Heuchera</i> 'Green Spice'	Coral Bells	During the cool weather of spring and fall, the leaves of this plant will exhibit red venation surrounded by a pale green/white leaf that has a green margin. Best in light shade. Is this the year you transition a portion of your planters to perennials and start a collection of coral bells on the porch?
<i>Heuchera</i> 'Kaleidoscope'	Lucid Dreams™ Heuchera	Here is another new coral bells, this one from Plants Nouveau. Bright yellow leaves have a maroon venation making for a stark contrast. As we say with all of the coral bells, if you have the right, well drained, organic soil- it will thrive. If you do not, they are best in a planter on the shaded patio.
<i>Heuchera americana</i> 'Dale's Strain'	Coral Bells	Excellent selection of our native coral bells with low mounds of foliage in green, burgundy, and silver. Best in filtered light and a well-drained soil. Long lived and deer proof.
<i>Heuchera longiflora</i>	Long-flowered Alumroot	The foliage is medium green with dark green veining with occasional silvery or red overlay on the foliage possible depending on light exposure. Compared to the <i>Heuchera americana</i> , this coral bells species has shorter flower stalks but with larger flowers and better drought tolerance.
<i>Heuchera villosa</i> 'Bronze Wave'	Hairy Alumroot	This large cultivar has an excellent habit and vigor. The leaves are large, thick, glossy, and angular with a shape reminiscent of a sycamore leaf. The slightly open habit allows for the occasional glimpse of the purple underside of the leaf. The small, creamy-white flowers create a beautiful effect en masse.
<i>Heuchera villosa macrorrhiza</i> 'Autumn Bride'	Hairy Alumroot	A surprisingly hard to find plant considering how tough and useful it is. Low mounds of hairy, bold-textured leaves keep their powder dry well into the fall when they are topped with delicate wands of white flowers. A fantastic ground cover for dry shade. Deer, drought, cold, you name it. This is a problem solver in just about any garden. Their kryptonite though is heavy, wet, clay soils. Put them in planters and watch them thrive.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Diamond Lake'	Hosta	Who doesn't like a big blue hosta in the garden? We know, we know, some of you are on team anti-hosta. For the rest of us though, this one is awesome! About 18" tall but nearly 4' across, this plant has large blue puckered leaves with a wavy margin.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Empress Wu'	Hosta	The biggest hosta out there!!! A solid 3' tall and 6-7' wide. There isn't anything extra special about the leaves. They are just a large blue/green color but who cares? The plant itself is HUGE!
<i>Hosta</i> 'Feather Boa'	Hosta	A small hosta that came to us via our friend Gene Bush. Only reaching around 10" tall, it has narrow yellow foliage and a ruffled edge. It will do great in a planter or used as ground cover around larger shade perennials.



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<i>Hosta</i> 'First Frost'	Hosta	Simply one of the most beautiful hostas out there. We know how subjective that is! When this 16" hosta opens up its leaves in the spring, they are a vivid blue surrounded by a soft, butter yellow margin. Incredible! But if you have only sun or deer- forget about it.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Humpback Whale'	Hosta	This enormous hosta will blow you away with its heart shaped, blue-green leaves that have an appealing corrugated texture to them. In the summer, blue-green stalks emerge with perfectly white bell-shaped flowers.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Purple Profusion'	Hosta	A smaller, more compact hosta that is not here to wow you with its foliage but with its dazzling multitude of deep purple flowers. This hosta is a bit more sun tolerant than others, but more shade will result in a deeper green on the leaves.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Rainbow's End'	Hosta	"Variegated" would be an understatement to describe the foliage of this medium sized hosta. Streaks of bright greenish-yellow and dark green blend throughout the mass of foliage. The flowers are a complimentary dark lavender.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Wheee!'	Hosta	'Wheee!' is the cultivar name, not the sound that the deer will make running to and from your hosta plants in the garden eating them to the ground. Obviously not for areas where deer do their thing, but in the right spot, or in planter on the porch, this short hosta is awesome! Only 12-18" tall with flower scapes reaching 24", this hosta has extremely wavy, green foliage with a cream margin. If you haven't tried hosta in a planter, this would be a great one to start the collection with.
<i>Hydrastis canadensis</i>	Golden Seal	A plant with very cool morphology! It only has three leaves. One at the base and two further up the plant that are about 6 to 8" across. A single white flower with no petals shows up in spring where one of the upper leaves meets its petiole. In late spring, the flower is replaced by a tight cluster of green berries that eventually turn red and resemble a raspberry. A large colony of these plants is an amazing sight to see!
<i>Iris cristata</i> 'Eco Bluebird'	Dwarf Crested Iris	This cultivar of our lovely, native dwarf crested iris has showy blue-lavender flowers emerging in late Spring. The species spreads underground via rhizomes, making it a reliable, but not troublesome spreader. What more could one ask for than a stunning, native, spreading groundcover for our shade gardens!
<i>Iris cristata</i> 'Powder Blue Giant'	Dwarf Crested Iris	This is a more robust selection of our much beloved native woodland wildflower. 6 to 8" masses of sword-like foliage and rich blue spring iris flowers. The flowers of 'Powder Blue Giant' are much larger than the straight species and can reach up to 3" across! Grow in filtered light and well-drained soil. This selection was made not far from Louisville. Samuel Norris (1921-2002) of Owensboro, Kentucky discovered this selection growing in Leitchfield, Kentucky.



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<i>Iris cristata</i> 'Tennessee White'	Dwarf Crested Iris	Our favorite little dwarf iris that is native to Kentucky! This selection has bright white flowers instead of the normal purple/blue. Perfect for path edges, troughs, or planters in the shade garden. Imagine the excitement that legendary nurseryman Don Shadow had when he discovered this amazing selection in Tennessee!
<i>Iris cristata</i>	Dwarf Crested Iris	A classic and much-loved Kentucky spring wildflower found in light woodlands and rocky soils. Growing only 6" tall or so, the sword-like green foliage is topped with bluish iris blooms. Plants will establish quickly and form clumps large enough to divide and share within only a couple of seasons. Fleeting but that just makes it all the more precious!
<i>Iris ensata</i> 'Variegata'	Japanese Iris	Silvery-green foliage and deeply saturated purple flowers give this iris great pairing potential in the garden. White variegation blends well with the already striking foliage and persists throughout the year.
<i>Iris siberica</i> 'Butter and Sugar'	Siberian Iris	This cultivar of the Siberian iris has exceptional flower form. It blooms in early summer a creamy, white central whorl of petals surrounded by a warming buttery-yellow.
<i>Iris versicolor</i> 'Purple Flame'	Blue Flag Iris	A Mt. Cuba Center introduction, this iris has outstanding ornamental features with its striking eggplant-purple new foliage that emerges from the ground in early spring. Going into summer, the bold purple leaves start to fade to a green that's more typical of iris species. In late spring to early summer, dark stems produce dark purple flowers that attract hummingbirds and butterflies.
<i>Mazus reptans</i> 'Alba'	Creeping Mazus	The classic filler-inner plant with a twist. It grows only a few inches tall and creeps along the ground producing tiny leaves and blue/white flowers in spring. 'Alba' is, well, alba, the white form. Great for filling in around stepping stones, creeping along the edge of a mixed border, or anywhere else you need a fill in. Takes a little foot traffic. Not bothered by deer.
<i>Meehania cordata</i>	Meehan's Mint	This running, herbaceous perennial loves mostly shade and a moist soil. lavender flowers with dark spots appear in late Spring. Plant with the intention that this plant will spread slowly.
<i>Oxalis crassipes</i> 'Rosea'	Wood Sorrel	Fun little perennial for light shade in beds or containers. Low, clover-like foliage is bright green and set off beautifully by rose pink blooms. If kept moist, it will bloom all spring and summer. Leaves fold up at night and reopen in the morning.
<i>Packera obovata</i>	Roundleaf Ragwort	A Kentucky native plant that prefers some shade but can tolerate full sun. Bright yellow flowers that stand 12-16" tall. The foliage stays low and is mat forming at only 4-6" and will make great masses of flowers over time. It can tolerate both dry areas and wet areas.



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<i>Petasites japonicus</i> 'Variegatus'	Butterbur	Bold and awesome groundcover perennial for the lightly shaded garden. Big, rounded leaves grow on plants to about 4' tall and will spread quite a bit if given a wet spot. But in moderate moisture conditions, it will not spread too aggressively. Yellow blooms are produced in May and June but honestly, nobody cares because the variegated foliage is so awesome!
<i>Petasites japonicus</i> <i>subsp. Gigantea</i>	Butterbur	This is a big, bold, and proud grower! 3'-tall mounds of bold foliage are produced after small, green spring flowers. Happiest in light shade with its feet in water or consistently damp soil. But if given lots of moisture, it is an aggressive spreader. On medium moisture soils, it is less aggressive. If you have some space to let this one roam, it's quite stunning.
<i>Phlox divaricata</i> 'Blue Moon'	Woodland Phlox	Awarded the 2022 Garden Club of America's Montine McDaniel Freeman Medal, this plant was introduced by our friends at North Creek Nurseries and has quickly become a favorite at Yew Dell. A vigorous growing woodland creeper, it produces fine textured spring foliage and clouds of beautiful blue spring blooms. Excellent selection for the lightly shaded garden. The fall color is a beautiful maroon color that will persist into the mild months of winter. Don't let the deer know you planted this one!
<i>Phlox divaricata</i> 'May Breeze'	Woodland Phlox	Stunning native shade perennial with fine textured foliage and delightful spring blooms in pale blue. A gem!
<i>Podophyllum peltatum</i> 'Variegatum'	Mayapple	There isn't a much more widely known spring ephemeral in the Kentucky woodlands. This particular selection has white streaks of variegation to the leaves. Emerging in April, the large umbrella leaves can grow to more than 12" tall. Once the root system is mature enough to support it, a flowering stem will have two leaves which hide a solitary white flower below. As the summer progresses, the plant will begin to go back into dormancy and disappear until the next year. Over the years, this plant will colonize and make amazing masses in your woodland garden.
<i>Polemonium sp.</i>	Jacob's Ladder	These few specimens of Jacob's ladder were brought over from the property of a longtime plant-collector, Gene Bush. We're not sure as to the exact species, but Jacob's ladder are generally a shade perennial, blooming around April-May that can range in colors from blue, lavender, pink to white.
<i>Polygonatum odoratum</i> 'Variegatum'	Solomon's Seal	An essential for any shade garden. 18-24" arching masses of erect stems produce clean, medium green leaves edged in white. Spring blooms are small, white bells that hang from each leaf axil. It has excellent clear yellow fall color. Spreads slowly but is long lived, dependable, and deer resistant.



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<i>Primula meadia</i>	Shooting Star	This was once <i>Dodecatheon meadia</i> . After looking at this plant closer, taxonomists have grouped it in with <i>Primula</i> . Anyway, no matter the name this is a cool plant! Large, basal leaves emerge in late March or early April and bloom during May. The umbel of flowers stand about 12" above foliage and each flowers hangs downward but the white to pink petal face straight up- giving the resemblance to a shooting star! These plants are fairly prolific if you cross the Ohio River and hike in Clifty Falls State Park in Madison, Indiana. They cling to the limestone cliffs above the trails. Our ample spring rains give these plants plenty of moisture to flourish during their spring growing season before they go dormant during the hot and dry periods of summer.
<i>Primula veris</i> 'Sunset Shades'	Cowslip	Red to orange clusters of flowers rise to around 8-10" in early spring from a basal rosette that stays only a few inches off the ground. It dislikes the hot summer sun and is happiest in a shady, moist garden setting.
<i>Primula x pubescens</i> 'Kaleidoscope'		This cultivar comes in a wide variety of flower colors from velvet to lilac to creamy white and many more. Perfect for a rock garden aesthetic or planted in terracotta pots. A cute and manageable plant with succulent basal foliage which blooms late Spring to early Summer.
<i>Rhodea japonica</i>	Sacred Lily	This tough, clump-forming perennial has glossy, strap-like foliage in an appealing dark green. Inconspicuous flowers emerging in the fall give way to stunning red berries that last through much of the winter.
<i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i>	Bloodroot	Another giant white flower that blooms across Kentucky in spring. As the plant emerges, the leaf is wrapped around the flower bud. You will see what looks like little green/grey bundles poking out of the ground that suddenly start to unfurl and a single white flower up to 2" across will open, do its business, and form a seed pod. As the petals begin to fall off the flower, the single leaf of the plant will begin to grow and will persist until summer before going dormant. Well established, mature clumps of this plant can have leaves nearly 12" across!
<i>Sedum ternatum</i>	Three-leaved Stonecrop	Our native sedum! In the Kentucky woodlands, you will find this plant clinging to the side of limestone cliffs, boulders, and other areas that are well drained. Put this in a nice planter on your patio or in your garden, and it will be about as low maintenance as they get. In spring, it will become covered in tiny white flowers that stand up above the foliage by a few inches. Protecting it from the hot afternoon sun will be beneficial.
<i>Smilacina racemosa</i>	False Solomon's Seal	At first glance this plant can easily be confused with a Solomon's seal if not in flower. Unlike Solomon's seal, whose flowers hang below the stem at leaf axils, this plant has plumes of white flowers at the end of each stalk. During late summer and into fall, the plant develops clusters of bright red berries.



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<i>Stylophorum diphyllum</i>	Celandine Poppy	A bright yellow flowering, readily reseeding Kentucky native spring ephemeral. What's not to love?! This plant will stand 2 to 3' tall at maturity and be one of the first plants to bloom in the spring. After blooming, the plant develops large, fuzzy seed pods which to some can add another short season of interest or an opportunity to do some seed propagation!
<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i> 'Running Tapestry'	Foamflower	A vigorous running groundcover with red speckled, deeply dissected, maple-like foliage. This plant produces a plethora of white flower spikes in spring and is a wonderful companion plant with spring ephemerals, ferns, and other such shaded-woodland species.
<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i> var. <i>collina</i> 'Oakleaf'	Foamflower	A very interesting selection of one of our native shade loving plants. 'Oakleaf', you guessed it, has foliage that resembles that of the tree and still puts on the showy floral display of bright white bottle brush flowers in spring.
<i>Tricyrtis formosana</i> 'Gilt Edge'	Toad Lily	Excellent, vigorous selection of this indispensable shade garden plant. 3' tall masses of upright stems produce lanceolate green leaves edged in bright gold. In late summer/fall, each shoot produces ethereal masses of white/burgundy spotted flowers.
<i>Trillium cuneatum</i>	Sweet Betsy	Excellent Kentucky native for the woodland/shade garden. Broadly ovate leaves are mottled green and burgundy with a single flower at the center of each 8-10" tall stem. Flower color is typically maroon but can show shades of yellow as well. One of the easier Trilliums to grow in the garden.
<i>Viola walteri</i> 'Silver Gem'	Walter's Violet	This compact violet is an enchanting groundcover with beautiful silvery-blue, heart-shaped foliage. Throughout spring and early summer, small violet flowers protrude from beneath the foliage. A single plant reaches about 3" to 5" tall and spreads as much as 10" to 15" wide. It is ideal for shady woodland settings but once established, it is very drought tolerant.



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<i>Ajuga</i> 'Pink Lightning'	Bugleweed	Crinkly, dark green foliage with white margins. A lovely groundcover that blooms a spike of pink blooms in late spring.
<i>Ajuga reptans</i> 'Binblasca'	Black Scallop Bugleweed	Very shiny purple foliage with a scalloped edge hugs the ground and spreads readily amongst your perennial garden. In spring, 6" tall spikes of purple flowers appear.
<i>Ajuga reptans</i> 'Blueberry Muffin'	Bugleweed	Compact little groundcover for sun or part shade with dark bronze/green, ground-hugging foliage and spring spikes of blue flowers. Vigorous and durable for container, rock garden, or as an edger.
<i>Ajuga reptans</i> 'Catlin's Giant'	Bugleweed	It has giant in the name! Bugleweeds can make wonderful groundcovers between your larger shade perennials and prevent the need for mulch. And this one is larger than most. Larger leaves and flowers that will stand up 8" tall when it blooms in the spring.
<i>Ajuga reptans</i> 'Bronze Beauty'	Bugleweed	Glossy, bronze-leaf form of this vigorous growing groundcover with lavender/blue spring flower spikes. Larger than Min Crispa Red but not as tall as Catlin's Giant.
<i>Ajuga reptans</i> 'Chocolate Chip'	Bugleweed	A very fine textured bugleweed with deep purple foliage. The leaves on this plant are about a 1/2" wide and 1-2" long. This variety doesn't spread as quickly as other varieties but over time, it will form an excellent mat of foliage to cover the ground. In spring, it pushes up blue/purple spikes of flower. A great planting of this can be found in our Pavilion Garden.
<i>Ajuga reptans</i> 'Silver Beauty'	Bugleweed	Light gray to green leaves have a very pronounced creamy margin to them. Planted as a living mulch among your Hosta collection, it will cover the ground and accent the plants growing around it and shoot up 10" spikes of purple flowers in the spring!

Barrenwort Collection

Botanical Name	Common Name	Description
<i>Epimedium</i> 'Domino'	Barrenwort	Very vigorous selection with 12-15" masses of light green, red-flecked spring foliage that supports airy clouds of white/burgundy flowers.
<i>Epimedium</i> 'Pink Elf'	Barrenwort	Diminutive selection of this indispensable shade groundcover with pale green leaves and delightful pink spring flowers.
<i>Epimedium</i> 'Spine Tinger'	Barrenwort	One ridiculously cool plant! 10" tall mounds of long, narrow, leathery leaves with spiny (but not painful!) margins give this a unique look. Covered with soft yellow blooms in spring. Takes dry shade but happier and more vigorous with a bit of moisture.
<i>Epimedium grandiflorum</i> 'Purple Pixie'	Barrenwort	Barrenworts have their place in any shade garden frequented by deer. They will even do very well in dry shade! If you want the best showing of this plant, put it in shade with adequate moisture, cut back in January/February, and enjoy the beautiful flowers in April. Purple pixie obviously has purple flowers but also has burgundy throughout the leaf all summer long.



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<i>Epimedium x perralchicum</i> 'Frohnleiten'	Barrenwort	Beautiful 12" tall masses of green/bronze/maroon foliage sit below bright yellow flowers in this selection.
<i>Epimedium x rubrum</i> 'Galadriel'	Barrenwort	Where are our Lord of the Ring fans at? Yep, it was named after an Elven Queen from the series. Pink to red flowers stand above yellow and orange new growth.
<i>Epimedium x rubrum</i>	Barrenwort	Pink to red flowers stand above the foliage that emerges green and maroon.
<i>Epimedium wushanense</i> 'Sandy Claws'	Barrenwort	Brace yourself for this one coming up in the spring! A little more than 12" high mounds of long and spiny foliage, not painful though, is a screaming maroon color with a slight yellow margin. It is truly unbelievable.

Fern Collection		
Botanical Name	Common Name	Description
<i>Adiantum pedatum</i>	Northern Maidenhair Fern	Delicate, light green fronds lay flat atop dark stems. Fronds can grow to be 2-3' and form a near-perfect circle. This plant loves a moist, cool, shaded area with rich soil. A native to the Eastern U.S, it is often found alongside rocky seeps, springs, and freshwater stream embankments.
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> 'Lady in Red'	Lady Fern	Classic clumping fern to 18" tall with finely textured, medium green fronds and bright red stems. This fern will do well in a large planter on your shaded patio and overwinter in it just fine.
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> 'Victoriae'	Victory Lady Fern	Unique and choice fern with upright arching fronds of medium green that are twisted and crested at the tips. Nice specimen in the shade garden or shady container.
<i>Athyrium niponicum</i> 'Godzilla'	Japanese Painted Fern	Basically a regular Japanese painted fern but on steroids! Green, grey, and purple foliage can form up to a 3' tall mound in the shade. This would be a fun one to put in a nice planter on you shaded porch!
<i>Athyrium niponicum</i> <i>var. pictum</i> 'Regal Red'	Japanese Painted Fern	All of the great characteristics of the Japanese painted fern but with a purple/violet (not red) color to the middle of the fronds. A true winner in shade gardens in our area, expect this plant to top out in the 18-24" range.
<i>Blechnum spicant</i>	Deer Fern	Ideal for a woodland, shade, or rock garden, this fern is rather compact, reaching about 2' wide and tall. Stiff, leathery, dark green fronds have great appeal.
<i>Dryopteris erythrosora</i> 'Brilliance'	Autumn Fern	Excellent vase-shaped, semi-upright fern to about 2' tall for shade. The new growth of 'Brilliance' is a mix of reds and orange and dramatically stands out in the garden.



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<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i> 'Parsley'	Parsley Male Fern	The fronds of this fern are rather unique with a dulled, green color and frond tips that crinkle and contort. Its habit is rather compact and it can stand as a great contrasting backdrop of foliage alongside flowering plants.
<i>Dryopteris intermedia</i>	Intermediate Wood Fern	A Kentucky native fern that's much smaller than the dixie wood fern from the same genus- only 2-3' tall. This fern is also more finely textured than most. Semi-evergreen and loves the shade.
<i>Dryopteris tokyoensis</i>	Tokyo Wood Fern	Excellent groundcover fern with upright fronds that emerge tinged in red, the turn to deep, glossy green for summer and can remain looking good through much of the winter.
<i>Dryopteris x australis</i>	Dixie Wood Fern	Probably one of our favorite ferns here at Yew Dell. A much better plant than ostrich fern for this area but with the same effect. Sword like fronds stand 3' tall and make a serious impact in the shade garden. This fern is semi-evergreen but the fronds flop over flat in late fall.
<i>Onoclea sensibilis</i>	Sensitive Fern	This medium-textured fern forms 18" tall mounds of bright green foliage. It turns bright yellow at the first hint of frost giving it the "sensitive fern" name. Deer resistant, easy to grow, and even works well in rain gardens.
<i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i>	Cinnamon Fern	An upright fern native to Kentucky that grows fertile fronds when mature. 3' green fronds surround the fertile fronds that are a cinnamon color.
<i>Osmunda regalis</i>	Royal Fern	This fern will be just happy as can be along the edge of a stream or pond. Native to a range spanning multiple continents, you may be lucky enough to find this growing in the wild right here in Kentucky. Similar to the cinnamon fern with its sterile fronds, but the pinna (leaflets) are much, much larger and gives a totally different look.
<i>Osmunda regalis v. spectabilis</i>	American Royal Fern	This fern has a broad geographical range, thriving in moist shady locations in the eastern US from zones 3-10. Growing in rather large clumps, the individual fronds are an elegant green while fertile fronds protrude from the center with rusty-orange to brown colors.
<i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i>	Christmas Fern	A common site in many of our eastern deciduous woodlands, the Christmas fern is nonetheless underutilized in the urban garden! It is a truly evergreen fern with robust, 2-3' long individual fronds. Dappled sun is best for this one.



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<i>Helleborus</i> 'Shotgun Wedding'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	Every flower petal is distinctly noticeable on this stunning selection. On the flowers, a dense splotching of burgundy is surrounded by a white borders.
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Snow Love'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	A powder-grey cast is noticeable across the surface of this selection's deeply green foliage. In milder climates, blooms can arise in the winter months and are sustained into early spring. This selection's flowers are a beaming yellow-green.
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Black Tie Affair'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	White double flowers are tinged with charcoal margins, an uncommon color that contrasts well with the thick, dark green foliage.
<i>Helleborus</i> 'California Dreaming'	Honeymoon® Lenten Rose Hybrid	Beautiful soft yellow flowers above bright, shiny green foliage. Like all hellebores, the deer don't touch them and we have found that they can handle quite a lot of sun!
<i>Helleborus</i> 'French Kiss'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	Single flowers with white sepals have a pop to them due to dark raspberry colored margins and veins that fade into a similarly stunning inner ring of raspberry petals.
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Irish Luck'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	This hellebore presents quaint, key-lime green flowers with a burgundy flare around the base of each petal.
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Pine Knot Select'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	This seed strain comes from Pine Knot Farm in Virginia that specializes in hellebores. This strain will brighten the garden in winter with colors that range from white to nearly black, maroon to pale yellow, and picotees to pink. The fun thing about these is as the clumps begin to mature and the seedlings begin to flower, you can start selecting the colors you want more of and removing those you don't. It could be the start of your plant selecting and breeding addiction!
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Pippa's Purple'	Frostkiss® Lenten Rose	The outward-facing, purple to pink flowers are really nice and are held atop deep purple stems but something about the foliage of the Frostkiss® series of hellebores is the best part! Deep green and leathery leaves have yellow to silver venation that really makes a statement.
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Rome in Red'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	This selection bursts with plentiful deep maroon to wine-red blooms.
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Southern Belle'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	This is another seed strain from the Pine Knot Farm in Virginia and like the 'Pine Knot Select' strain, the 'Southern Belle' strain comes in a wide range of color but the flowers of these are nearly all double flowering!
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Valeria'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	This selection has a neat and compact form with the classic dark green, leathery foliage. Long lasting blooms can emerge as early as September in some areas. The flowers are primarily white with a touch of pink and green throughout.



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<i>Helleborus nigers</i> 'Mont Blanc'	Christmas Rose	The long flowering period and impeccable vigor of this selection make it an easy choice for those who want a pop of color when most else in the garden is dormant. At some point between December to March, you can admire the pure, white flowers that stand out against the backdrop of this hellebore's dark green foliage.
<i>Helleborus nigers</i> 'Snowbells'	Christmas rose	Semi-double white flowers are accented with inner petals that have a splash of green. The central portion of the flower is a bright green, a contrast which draws great attention.
<i>Helleborus x nigercors</i> 'Emma'	Lenten Rose Hybrid	Abundant in late winter to early spring are the dainty, cream-colored flowers that show off a hint of pink. Pink color will become more pronounced later into the flowering season.