

# Gardening without harmful invasive plants 

With over 70,000 plants to choose from and with new varieties being introduced each year, it is no wonder we are a nation of gardeners.
However, a few plants can cause you and our environment problems. These are known as invasive non-native plants. Although they comprise a small minority of all the plants available to buy for your garden, the impact they can have is extensive and may be irreversible. Around $60 \%$ of the invasive non-native plant species damaging our natural habitats originate from gardens and garden ponds.

## Some invasive non-native plants might be

 straightforward for you to keep in check in your garden or garden pond if you can tend to them frequently, but in the wider countryside, where such pruning and weeding effort is not feasible, these plants can cause problems for native plants and animals. Trying to get rid of problem plants from natural habitats, especially important nature conservation sites, is expensive and difficult. Often complete eradication of such plants from the wild becomes impossible, and many hundreds of thousands of pounds are spent each year in an effort to limit their spread.Other invasive non-native plants can cause you difficulties too. They may quickly outgrow their space or become entrenched so that no matter how hard you try to eliminate them, and regardless of how much of your flower bed is dug up, new shoots may keep on appearing.

This guide, produced by the wild plant conservation charity Plantlife and the Royal Horticultural Society, can help you choose plants that are less likely to cause problems to the environment should they escape from your garden. Even the most diligent gardener cannot ensure that their plants do not escape over the garden wall (as berries and seeds may be carried away by birds or the wind), so we hope you will find this helpful.


There are laws surrounding invasive non-native plants. Dumping unwanted plants, for example in a local stream or woodland, is an offence. Government also has powers to ban the sale of invasive plants. At the time of producing this booklet there were no sales bans, but it is worth checking on the websites below to find the latest legislation that may be relevant to you:
Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs - www.defra.gov.uk Scottish Government www.scotland.gov.uk/invasivespecies

At the moment, many invasive plants are still available to buy from garden centres, aquatics centres and other plant retailers. Cuttings from a friend's garden may be taken from invasive plants.
Make sure you know what you are buying and take care before giving or accepting cuttings!
These websites provide more information about invasive plants that you may have in your garden or pond and how to remove them if you wish to:
Plantlife - www.plantlife.org.uk
Royal Horticultural Society - www.rhs.org.uk
Non-Native Species Secretariat - www.nonnativespecies.org
Alternatively, you can contact Plantlife on 01722342730.

## How to use this guide

Much of the fun of growing plants comes from the reward of beautiful flowers, scents or foliage. Your choice of plants will often also reflect what you want a plant to do - such as provide nectar to bees and butterflies, be able to thrive in a boggy area of your garden, or provide a screen to separate one area from another.

Invasive plants have sometimes been used in the past for those difficult areas of your garden - a particularly exposed patch, for example, or where a bare wall needs to be covered quickly. Meanwhile plants for other aspects of gardening, like summer bedding plants, are unlikely to be invasive. This booklet covers those areas of the garden where, traditionally, invasive plants have most been used The notorious invasive plant Japanese Knotweed, popular in Victorian times, for example, was sought after for its grand size and attractive leaves. We suggest safer tall feature plants with attractive foliage to try in the 'Architectural plants' section.

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Within each section the recommended plants cover a range of different sites and cultivation requirements. For example, we list shrubs which offer spring or summer flowers or stunning autumn colours, shrubs that are good for hedging or providing background structure to your borders, and shrubs for sunny or shady spots.

Although the plants we suggest shouldn't cause you undue problems, as always with gardening, no matter which plants you use you will need to manage your garden by weeding, thinning and pruning at regular intervals.

Please remember that ALL unwanted plant matter should be disposed of responsibly. Compost or throw unwanted plant matter into your green waste bin collection, or take it to your local recycling centre.
The Be Plant Wise website has more information about safe disposal of excess plant matter:
www.nonnativespecies.org/beplantwise

## Happy invasives-free gardening!



Symbols under each plant highlight particular conditions the plant requires (for example, wet, dry, acid or alkaline soils, or full sun). Plants able to grow in shade are also indicated. A plant with no symbols is able to cope with a broad range of conditions. The index at the back of this booklet provides full details of each plant's cultivation tolerances.

Sunny/exposed sites


## Geranium sanguineum var. striatum

Striped Bloody Crane's-bill
Herbaceous perennial to 10 cm with deeply cut leaves on long spreading stems. Produces large, very pretty, open flowers with very pale pink petals that are darker along the veins.

## Lathyrus japonicus subsp. maritimus

Sea Pea
Prostrate perennial with hairless, glaucous pinnate leaves and clusters of purplish pea flowers.


## Silene uniflora 'Robin Whitebreast'

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Semi-evergreen perennial with lance-shaped grey-green leaves borne on prostrate stems. Bears white, double flowers with cut petals.

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## Stachys byzantina

Lamb's-ear
Spreading perennial to 45 cm tall with elliptic leaves to 10 cm which are covered in thick white wool. Small pinkish flowers are carried on woolly stems in summer and autumn.
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## Veronica perfoliata

Digger's Speedwell
Evergreen perennial bearing low, arching stems with pairs of stalkless, rounded, glaucous, leathery, toothed leaves to 5 cm long. Attractive racemes of blue flowers are borne in late summer.

Shady／sheltered sites


## Bergenia cordifolia \＆hybrids

Elephant－ears
Robust perennials spreading on thick，branching rhizomes． Leaves are large，glossy and paddle－like and purple－tinged in winter．The flowers are usually in shades of pink，borne on fleshy stems．

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## Leucothoe fontanesiana

Drooping Laurel
Shrub to 2 m or so with arching branches carrying evergreen， leathery，lance－shaped leaves and small white flowers in spring．Variegated cultivars are available．Needs a sheltered position

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## Pachysandra terminalis

Carpet Box
Evergreen perennial spreading on smooth stems from which are produced deeply cut，glossy，dark green leaves． Small white flowers are produced in early summer．

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Sarcococca hookeriana var．humilis Christmas Box

Low－growing，suckering shrub grown for its glossy，dark green，narrow leaves and small but fragrant，pink－tinged white flowers produced in winter．The flowers are followed by dark，shiny fruit．
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## Viola odorata

Sweet Violet
Rhizomatous perennial bearing toothed，heart－shaped leaves and，in winter or early spring，perfumed blue or white spurred flowers

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## Waldsteinia ternata

Siberian Waldsteinia
Rhizomatous，semi－evergren perennial with lobed，toothed leaves above which are borne bright yellow，open flowers to 1.5 cm across in late spring and early summer．

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## Calluna vulgaris

## Heather

Variable shrub to 60 cm with tiny，densely packed leaves and bell－shaped，often pink flowers．A great range of cultivars selected for flower and foliage characters is available．


## Crambe maritima

Sea－kale
Spreading perennial to 75 cm tall with large，thick，lobed， glaucous leaves and dense racemes of white，cross－shaped flowers in early summer

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## Eryngium giganteum

## Tall Eryngo

Architectural biennial（to 90 cm ）bearing a rosette of heart shaped leaves．Above these，cylindrical umbels of flowers are set upon a ruff of spiny，silvery bracts．

## Iberis saxatilis

Alpine Candytuft
Evergreen subshrub with fleshy leaves to 2 cm long （becoming flatter on flowering shoots）．The small，white， cross－shaped flowers are borne in late spring and summer．

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## Lunaria annua

Honesty
Annual or biennial with toothed，heart－shaped leaves above which appear racemes of four－petalled，bright purple flowers．Can grow to a height of 90 cm ．

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## Cyclamen hederifolium

Sowbread
Tuberous perennial producing waxy heart－shaped or triangular leaves with pale patterning．The flowers are in shades of pink，borne singly on upright stems and have twisted，swept back tepals．

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## Dierama pulcherrimum

Angel＇s Fishing－rod
Cormous perennial to 1.5 m with narrow，grass－like leaves and graceful，arching stems of pendant，bell－shaped flowers in shades of pink．It requires plentiful water when in growth and may be susceptible to hard frost

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Fritillaria meleagris
Snake＇s－head Fritillary
Bulbous perennial to 30 cm with delicate stems that carry heavy，pendant flowers（to 4.5 cm long）．The flowers are in shades of pinkish purple with dark checkering

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## Galtonia candicans

Summer Hyacinth
Bulbous perennial with fleshy，lance－shaped leaves and leafless stems to 1.2 m tall．Bears pendant，white， bell－shaped flowers that are each 5 cm long．Soils need to be moist in spring and summer but drier over winter．

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## Narcissus＇Actaea＇

Daffodil＇Actaea＇
Strongly fragrant bulbous perennial to 45 cm ．The white flowers have a short，cup－shaped corona which is yellow margined red．Leaves are narrow and hairless．

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## Narcissus＇Hawera＇

Daffodil＇Hawera＇
Bulbous perennial producing multiple flowers per bulb， each of which are buttery yellow and wide－spreading with a short，broad corona．

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## Scilla siberica

Siberian Squill
Bulbous perennial to about 15 cm with shiny，lance－shaped leaves and pendant，bright blue flowers to 1.5 cm across．

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## Angelica gigas

Purple Angelica
Herb to 2 m tall with toothed，pinnate leaves．Dark red umbels of flowers are borne on red stems in late summer Biennial or short－lived perennial．

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## Aralia cachemirica

Angelica－tree
Huge leaves to 1.2 m long divided into shiny leaflets above which appear spikes of starry umbels to 3 m tall．

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## Crambe cordifolia

Greater Sea－kale
Huge clumps of heart－shaped foliage to 1.5 m across are topped by branching sprays of small white flowers to 2 m high．

## Architectural plants



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## Rodgersia aesculifolia

Chestnut-leaved Rodgersia
Large, wrinkled basal leaves are palmately divided and bear branching stems of small pink or white flowers. Forms clumps to 1.5 m across.


Thalictrum rochebrunianum
Meadow-rue
Much-divided foliage bears frothy lavender and yellow flowers to 3 m or more in height


## Veronicastrum virginicum

Culver's Root
Perennial to 2 m or more bearing architectural whorls of toothed foliage and tall wands of lilac flowers

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## Astelia chathamica

Silver Spear
Clump-forming perennial to 1.2 m tall bearing clumps of broad, channelled, silvery leaves. Yellowish green flowers are sometimes produced and followed by orange berries.

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## Chusquea culeou

Chilean Bamboo
Erect, clump-forming bamboo with solid, yellow-green stems growing to 6 m in ideal conditions with a spread of 2.5 m .



## Actinidia kolomikta

Kolomikta
Vigorous twining climber to 5 m or more，rarely producing its small flowers but bearing large leaves that become attractively variegated white and pink in the upper half．

## Akebia quinata

Chocolate Vine
Striking，purple，sausage－shaped fruits to 10 cm long are borne on a twining semi－evergreen climber．The leaves are in five parts and the fragrant brownish flowers are attractive．Climbs to 10 m ．

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## Ceanothus arboreus＇Trewithen Blue＇

Californian Lilac＇Trewithen Blue＇
Evergreen shrub to 5 m or so with glossy，dark green，oval leaves to 10 cm long．In spring and summer frothy heads of blue flowers are borne in abundance．May be damaged by frosts．

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## Chaenomeles japonica

Japanese Quince
Spreading，thorny shrub to 1 m tall and 2 m across bearing large orange－red flowers in spring as the glossy leaves appear．The fruits are red，tinged with yellow and around 4 cm long．

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## Chaenomeles $\times$ superba＇Rowallane＇

Japanese Quince＇Rowallane
Spiny deciduous shrub to 1 m bearing glossy green leaves and scarlet flowers to 4 cm across．Flowers may be followed by yellowish fruit．



## Hedera colchica 'Sulphur Heart'

Persian Ivy ‘Sulphur Heart’
Large-leaved ivy with a large central, golden variegation growing to perhaps 5 m . Tolerant of a wide range of conditions once established

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## Hydrangea petiolaris

Climbing Hydrangea
Deciduous climber with leaves turning yellow before falling Grows to 10 m or more and carries domes of white flowers with bracteate flowers at the margins. Avoid shallow, chalky soils.


## Indigofera heterantha

Himalayan Indigo
Spreading shrub to 3 m bearing pinnate, grey-green leaves to 10 cm long on arching branches. Throughout summer racemes of purple-pink pea flowers are produced.

## Itea ilicifolia

Holly-leaved Sweet-spire
Evergreen shrub with arching, flexible shoots to 5 m tall with sharp-pointed, glossy leaves to 10 cm long. Pendant racemes (to 30 cm long) of small, greenish flowers make a graceful display from midsummer into autumn. Needs shelter from cold winds.



Trachelospermum jasminoides＇Variegatum＇ Variegated Star Jasmine
Glossy－leaved，twining climber with foliage margined and splashed with white．Bears starry，fragrant white flowers in summer．Requires shelter from cold winds and may be susceptible to frost．

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## Vitis coignetiae

Crimson Glory－vine
Vigorous，tendril climber with large，lobed leaves to 30 cm across that turn yellow，then bright red，in autumn．

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## Wisteria floribunda cultivars

Japanese Wisteria
Numerous wisteria cultivars are offered．
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## Abelia $\times$ grandiflora

Glossy Abelia
Semi－evergreen shrub to 3 m bearing glossy，dark green leaves and fragrant pinkish white tubular flowers that fall to reveal persistent pink calyces．

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## Acer palmatum var．dissectum

Cut－leaved Japanese Maple
Rounded shrub bearing deeply cut，sometimes purple， foliage that colours up well in autumn and is often accompanied by ornamental winged fruits．Protect from cold，drying winds．


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## Elaeagnus $\times$ ebbingei

Ebbinge's Silverberry
Evergreen shrub to 4 m with a dense, leafy habit. Good for background structure or screening. Leaves are leathery with silver scales on the underside. Variegated cultivars are available. Extremely fragrant, small, white flowers are produced in autumn.

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## Enkianthus campanulatus

Redvein Enkianthus
Deciduous shrub to 4 m or so with toothed leaves on whorled branches turning yellowish in autumn. Dainty, pendant bell-shaped, creamy flowers (with red on the veins) are produced in late spring.

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## Escallonia macrantha

Escallonia
A fine shrub to 4 m but easily pruned with dark, glossy aromatic leaves and tubular, rosy flowers. Good as a windbreak, though may be susceptible to frost in inland areas.

## Forsythia $\times$ intermedia

Forsythia
Easily propagated, pollution-tolerant deciduous shrub to 2 m tall bearing bright golden flowers on bare stems in spring. Good for background structure or screening.

## Garrya elliptica

Silk-tassel Bush (pictured: cultivar 'James Roof')
Hard-wearing evergreen shrub to $4 m$ with glossy, grey green, opposite leaves. Highly ornamental catkins are borne in winter and early spring. Good windbreak.



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## Ilex aquifolium

Holly
Hardy evergreen shrub bearing spiny, glossy foliage when young. Available in a range of variegated cultivars. Female plants bear red berries. Good as a windbreak.

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## Ligustrum lucidum

Chinese Privet
Evergreen shrub or tree easily pruned to size with glossy, dark green leaves. Variegated cultivars are available. Good for background structure or screening.

## Magnolia stellata

## Star Magnolia

Deciduous shrub, becoming spreading with age, bearing narrow leaves to 10 cm long. Silky buds carried on the bare branches open into white, star-like flowers, 12 cm across. Shelter from cold winds and avoid transplanting.

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## Magnolia $\times$ soulangeana

## Chinese Magnolia

Variable large shrub to 6 m with dark green leaves to 20 cm long. Large goblet-shaped flowers (to 30 cm across) ranging from white to purple. Shelter from cold winds and avoid transplanting.

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## Nandina domestica

Heavenly Bamboo
Bamboo like stems carry graceful compound, evergreen leaves that turn vivid red in autumn and winter. Small, starry flowers are sometimes followed by bright red fruit. Requires a sheltered site to thrive.


## Pieris japonica

Lily-of-the-valley Bush
Evergreen shrub of neat habit to 4 m tall with toothed elliptic leaves that are reddish when young. Panicles of numerous urn-shaped, white flowers appear from pink buds. Several cultivars are available. Protect young growth from late frosts
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## Sarcococca hookeriana

Sweet Box
Small, suckering shrub to 1.5 m forming neat clumps of upright stems which bear glossy, broadly lance-shaped leaves. In winter, clusters of sweetly fragrant, small white flowers form and are followed by shiny black fruit

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## Skimmia japonica 'Nymans'

Skimmia 'Nymans'
A spreading shrub to $1 \mathrm{~m} \times 2 \mathrm{~m}$ bearing glossy, evergreen aromatic foliage. Fragrant white flowers and round, red fruits are freely produced.

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## Viburnum betulifolium

Birch-leaf Viburnum
Deciduous shrub with an upright habit growing to 3 m tall. The white flowers in early summer are followed by pendant clusters of bright red fruit which persist well through the winter.

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## Viburnum $\times$ burkwoodii cultivars

Burkwood Viburnum
Evergreen shrub to 3 m with dark green, shiny leaves. Globes of very fragrant white flowers to 10 cm across open from pink buds and are sometimes followed by small red fruit (turning black).

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## Acer palmatum

Japanese Maple
Small tree bearing graceful, lobed leaves that become scarlet in autumn. Many choice cultivars are available.

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## Arbutus $\times$ andrachnoides

Hybrid Strawberry Tree
Tree to 8 m with peeling red bark and glossy, toothed leaves that are glaucous on the underside. The small flowers are white and appear in autumn. Alkaline soils may be tolerated but acid is preferred. Shelter from cold winds.

## Cercis siliquastrum

Judas Tree
Deciduous tree to 10 m bearing pink, pea flowers which appear on the bare stems. The attractive foliage is glossy and heart-shaped.

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## Crataegus laevigata 'Paul's Scarlet'

Hawthorn 'Paul's Scarlet'
Thorny, deciduous tree to 8 m . Bears a great profusion of bright red-pink, very double flowers in late spring.

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## Crataegus $\times$ lavalleei

Lavalleei's Hawthorn
Spreading, semi-deciduous tree to 7 m bearing domed heads of white flowers followed by orange-red fruits to 2 cm across that persist through the winter.

## Fraxinus ornus

Manna Ash
Deciduous tree to 15 m with pinnate leaves that turn red in autumn. Creamy white flowers are followed by pendulous clusters of winged yellow or red fruit.


## Magnolia grandiflora

Large-flowered Magnolia
Magnificent tree to 10 m or more with large, very glossy, bright green leaves that are rusty brown on the underside Bears huge, cup-shaped, fragrant white flowers. May be damaged by very cold weather.

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## Malus 'Golden Hornet'

Crab Apple 'Golden Hornet'
Deciduous tree to 8 m with a rounded habit. White flowers in spring are followed by copious, spherical, golden yellow fruit to 2 cm across which are carried over a long period.

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## Nyssa sylvatica

Tupelo
Broadly conical tree to 15 m . Leaves produce spectacular fiery shades in autumn. Shelter from cold winds and plant out when young.


## Parrotia persica

Persian Ironwood
Spreading tree to 8 m tall bearing peeling bark and spidery, bright red flowers in winter and early spring. Produces firecoloured autumn foliage. Grow in acid soil for best autumn colour.

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## Prunus cerasifera 'Pissardii'

Cherry Plum 'Pissardii'
Purple-leaved deciduous tree to 10 m bearing cup-shaped flowers ( 2.5 cm across) that are pink, fading to white.

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## Sorbus 'Joseph Rock'

Mountain Ash 'Joseph Rock'
Deciduous tree to 10 m bearing pinnate leaves that colour well in autumn. Spring white flowers are followed by round, pale yellow fruit to 1 cm across.

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## Sorbus thibetica 'John Mitchell'

Tibetan Whitebeam 'John Mitchell'
Tree to 20 m or so with very broad, round, silver-grey leaves with heads of white flowers in spring followed by yellowish fruit to 1.5 cm across.

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## Anthriscus sylvestris 'Ravenswing'

Cow Parsley ‘Ravenswing’
Biennial, or short-lived perennial, to 1 m tall with lacy, dark foliage. Umbels of pink flowers on slender stems are carried early in the season.

## Aster linosyris

Goldilocks Aster
Clumping perennial with erect stems of golden yellow flowers to 70 cm high in late summer and early autumn.


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Aster novi-belgii
Michaelmas Daisy
Michaelmas Daisy
Clump-forming perennial to 1.2 m . Available as a wide range of cultivars mostly with violet, daisy flowers in late summer and autumn.


## Buddleja globosa

Orange-ball-tree
Erect, deciduous shrub with orange flowers borne in eyecatching spheres in June. May be damaged by hard frosts.

Ceanothus thyrsiflorus
Californian Lilac
Dense evergreen shrub providing cover and shelter for wildlife. Bears bright blue flowers in early summer. Hardy in all but the coldest areas



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## Hesperis matronalis

Dame's-violet
Biennial, or short-lived perennial, to 1 m forming a rosette of basal leaves. Leafy stems bear cross-shaped flowers to 4 cm across, in white or shades of purple.

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## Hyssopus officinalis

Hyssop
Dwarf semi-evergreen shrub to 60 cm with small, dense aromatic foliage and spikes of two-lipped, dark blue flowers from midsummer

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## Ilex aquifolium 'J. C. van Tol'

Holly 'J.C. van Tol'
Self-fertile tree to 6 m with glossy evergreen, fairly spinefree leaves and copious bright red berries.

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## Ilex $\times$ altaclarensis

Highclere Holly
Evergeen shrubs providing cover and shelter for wildlife with broad, glossy leaves that are variegated in many cultivars. Female plants bear fruit. May be damaged by hard frosts

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## Kniphofia rooperi

Rooper's Red-hot-poker
Imposing perennial to 1.2 m with clumps of broadly linear leaves and impressive, fat heads of red hot poker flowers in autumn.


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## Nicotiana sylvestris

Flowering Tobacco
Biennial, or short-lived perennial, to 1.5 m tall. Produces a rosette of dark leaves from which emerges an inflorescence bearing strongly fragrant white flowers with long tubes to 10 cm . May survive outdoors but best raised from seed each year.

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## Sedum spectabile

Butterfly Stonecrop
Easily propagated, fleshy perennial with flat heads of (usually) pink flowers. For best wildlife value sterile hybrids should be avoided. Neutral, moderately fertile soil is best.

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## Silene noctiflora

Night-flowering Catchfly
Annual to 60 cm with hairy leaves and upright sticky stems bearing fragrant, yellowish, pink-tinged flowers which open at night.

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## Valeriana officinalis

Common Valerian
Pinnate-leaved, clump-forming perennial to 80 cm tall or more with upright stems bearing flat-topped pink or white flowerheads.


## Viburnum $\times$ bodnantense

Bodnant Viburnum
Deciduous shrub to 3 m bearing toothed leaves to 10 cm that have a reddish tinge when young. The highly fragrant, tubular flowers in shades of pink are borne in clusters at the ends of the branches.


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Plants for ponds and bog gardens

## Myriophyllum spicatum

Spiked Water－milfoil
Perennial oxygenator with whorls of deeply divided leaves borne on stems to 1 m or more．In summer small reddish flowers are carried just above the water．

## Myriophyllum verticillatum

## Whorled Water－milfoil

Perennial oxygenator with whorls of deeply divided leaves and linear leaflets borne on stems to 1 m or more．In summer very small yellowish flowers are carried just above the surface of the water．

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## Potamogeton crispus

Curled Pondweed
Perennial oxygenator bearing submerged，dissected， almost transluscent leaves and leathery，floating leaves with very undulating margins．The flowers are very small and whitish，carried just above the water．

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Common Water－crowfoot
Pretty annual／short－lived perennial with submerged branching stems and finely divided leaves and floating lobed，kidney－shaped leaves．Produces white flowers（2cm） at the water＇s surface in summer．Prefers shallow water with good nutrient levels．

## Hydrocharis morsus－ranae

Frogbit
Stoloniferous perennial spreading on the surface of water and producing rounded，glossy leaves to 3 cm long．White bowl－shaped flowers， 2 cm across，yellow at the centre are borne in the summer．Less vigorous in deeper water．

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## Canna＇Endeavour＇

Water Canna＇Endeavour＇
Tender，rhizomatous perennial to 1.8 m with erect，glaucous， paddle－shaped leaves and spikes of narrow－petalled red flowers to 5 cm across in summer and autumn．Lift tubers and overwinter in frost－free conditions．

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## Canna＇Erebus＇

Water Canna＇Erebus＇
Tender，rhizomatous perennial to 1.2 m with erect，dark green，paddle－shaped leaves and spikes of exotic salmon flowers to 8 cm across in summer and autumn．Lift tubers and overwinter in frost－free conditions

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## Canna＇Ra＇

Water Canna＇Ra＇
Tender，rhizomatous perennial to 1.8 m with erect，slender， green leaves and spikes of exotic lemon yellow flowers in summer and autumn．Lift tubers and overwinter in frost－ free conditions．

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## Chrysosplenium davidianum

David＇s Golden－saxifrage
Mat－forming perennial to 8 cm tall with hairy，rounded， dark green leaves and greenish yellow，cup－shaped flowers above leafy bracts．
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## Lysimachia nummularia＇Aurea

## Golden Creeping－Jenny

Prostrate perennial grown for its rounded，golden leaves in opposite pairs but also bearing yellow，cup－shaped flowers in summer．



## Mentha aquatica

Water Mint
Rhizomatous perennial to 90 cm with purple stems and narrow，toothed，hairy and aromatic leaves．In summer dense spheres of tubular lilac flowers are produced．Grows in water to 15 cm deep．Plant in baskets to contain spread．

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## Menyanthes trifoliata

## Bogbean

Rhizomatous perennial forming floating mats of three－ parted leaves with leaflets to 6 cm long．Erect inflorescences of white，star－shaped flowerrs are sometimes produced in summer．WILL NEED REGULAR TRIMMING；FOR LARGE PONDS ONLY．


## Myosotis scorpioides

Water Forget－me－not
Creeping，rhizomatous perennial with leaves to 10 cm and， in summer，a profusion of bright blue，very open flowers to 8 mm across with a paler eye．Grows best in water to 10 cm deep．

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## Sagittaria sagittifolia

Arrowhead
Spreading perennial bearing arrow－shaped leaves with long lobes at the base and 1 m tall inflorescences carrying white flowers to 2.5 cm across．In deep water long，floating leaves may also be produced．FOR LARGE PONDS ONLY

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## Thalia dealbata

Powdery Alligator－flag
Perennial to 2.5 m bearing lanceolate grey－green leaves on long stalks．Striking，violet flowers are borne in slender spikes in summer．Not fully hardy and may be deciduous in cold weather


## Astilboides tabularis

Common Astilboides
Clump－forming perennial with large，round leaves to 90 cm long．Small，white flowers are borne on long stalks in summer．Can cope with wet but not waterlogged soils．

## \＆pH BOG

## Carex elata＇Aurea

Bowles＇s Golden Sedge
Rhizomatous，perennial sedge to 70 cm ，dying back in winter with leaves that bear a central，golden variegation． Small flowers are produced in spring and early summer．

## \＆BOG

## Darmera peltata

Indian－rhubarb
Slow－spreading rhizomatous perennial bearing umbrella－ like leaves to 60 cm across，preceded by heads of bright pink flowers on long stalks．Will tolerate drier conditions in a shady position．

## （8）BOG

## Eriophorum angustifolium

Common Cottongrass
A spreading，perennial member of the sedge family growing to about 40 cm and producing spikes of cotton－like flowers in summer．Survives in water to 5 cm deep．

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## Hosta＇Sum and Substance＇

Plantain Lily＇Sum and Substance＇
Large，ribbed，heart－shaped yellow or green leaves and spikes of bell－shaped lilac flowers in summer．
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Plants for ponds
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Please remember to dispose of all your garden waste responsibly. Some invasive non-native plants can re-grow from tiny fragments and impact greatly on the countryside.

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