

FAIRFAX COUNTY URBAN FOREST MANAGEMENT DIVISION

RECOMMENDED SMALL AND MEDIUM EVERGREEN AND DECIDUOUS SHRUBS FOR TRANSITIONAL SCREENING AS  
 REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 13-302 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE  
 12/11/2008

For additional species, recommendations, and information go to  
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/PARKS/gsgp/gardening.htm> and click on the evergreen and deciduous shrubs lists

Latin Name	Common Name	Max Size	Comments
<i>Abelia x grandiflora</i>	Glossy abelia	5'	Semi-evergreen to partly deciduous, glossy foliage, pink-tinged white flowers. Bronze-purple fall foliage
<i>Arbutus unedo</i> 'Compacta'	Compact strawberry tree	5-10'	4 season evergreen shrub
<i>Aronia arbutifolia</i>	Red Chokeberry	6-10'	Red berries load shrub; eaten by mammals & birds
<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i>	Black Chokeberry	3-5'	Dependable showy orange/burgundy/purple fall color
<i>Aucuba japonica</i> 'Gold Dust'	Gold dust aucuba	6'	Glossy, dark green leaves spotted with gold. Berries on female plants. Various other cultivars available. Broadleaf evergreen
<i>Chamaecypari pisifera</i> 'Mops'	False cypress 'Gold Mop'	5'	Weeping evergreen.
<i>Callicarpa americana</i>	American beautyberry	3-8'	Clusters of round, bead-like purple berries in fall.
<i>Camellia spp.</i>	Camellia	varies	Broadleaf evergreens with fragrant winter flowers. Many cultivars available
<i>Clethra alnifolia</i>	Sweet pepper-bush	5-8'	Small white fragrant flowers(Jul-Aug); yellow leaves in the fall
<i>Cornus stolonifera</i>	Redtwig dogwood	6-10'	Creamy white flowers (May-Jun); dark red stems in winter
<i>Daphne x burkwoodii</i> 'Carol Mackie'	Variegated hybrid daphne	4'	Fragrant white flowers (May), semi-evergreen, cream colored margins on green leaves
<i>Gaylussacia baccata</i>	Black huckleberry	1-3'	Edible fruit- ancestor of blueberries
<i>Grevillea victoriae</i>	Royal grevillea	8-10'	Broadleaf evergreen with pendant clusters of red-orange honeysuckle-like blooms; attracts hummingbirds
<i>Ilex aquifolium variegata</i>	Variegated English holly	10-20'	Dark green leaves with silver edges; evergreen; stays compact with pruning
<i>Ilex glabra</i>	Inkberry	4-8'	Evergreen shrub; forms suckering colonies
<i>Ilex cornuta</i>	Chinese holly	4-8'	Evergreen shrub; dark green glossy foliage. Red berries. Various cultivars
<i>Ilex crenata</i>	Japanese holly	4-8'	Evergreen shrub; dark green glossy foliage. Various cultivars
<i>Ilex x 'Little Red'</i>	Little Red holly	5'	Moderate growth rate and compact nature (5'x5'). Red berries.
<i>Ilex verticillata</i>	Winterberry	6-15'	Bright-red berries into winter; attracts birds
<i>Itea virginica</i>	Virginia willow	3-6'	Spectacular & long-lasting yllw/orng/crimson fall color
<i>Iva frutescens</i>	Marsh elder	8'	No fall color; inconspicuous flowers; evergreen
<i>Juniperus spp.</i>	Juniper	varies	Many small hardy cultivars available
<i>Kalmia latifolia</i>	Mountain laurel	5-12'	Evergreen foliage; pink-white showy flowers (May-Jun)
<i>Kalmia latifolia</i> "Freckles"	Mountain laurel "Freckles"	5-12'	Evergreen foliage; pink-white showy flowers (May-Jun)
<i>Leucothoe racemosa</i>	Sweetbells	4-8'	White to pink bell-shaped flowers borne in dense onse-sided clusters. Mostly present in coastal plain.
<i>Loropetalum chinensis</i>	Fringeflower	4-6'	Evergreen, bronze-red new growth
<i>Myrica (Morella) cerifera</i>	Southern wax myrtle	15-20'	Leaves are fragrant when crushed; olive green in color

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<i>Myrica (Morella) pensylvanica</i>	Northern bayberry	5-8'	Semi-evergreen; transplants well
<i>Osmanthus heterophyllus</i>	Holly tea olive	8-10'	Has many hardy and variegated cultivars
<i>Pieris japonica</i>	Japanese pieris	6-8'	Shade tolerant broadleaf evergreen; small, white, urn-shaped flowers
<i>Photinia x fraseri</i>	Red tip photinia	10-15'	Broadleaf evergreen; new growth is red
<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i>	Common ninebark	6-10'	White to pink flowers. Exfoliating bark adds winter interest. Drought tolerant and adaptable
<i>Rhodo. periclymenoides</i>	Pinxter flower	4-6'	Pale, pink flowers in late May
<i>Rhus aromatica</i>	Fragrant sumac	2-6'	Showy orange to reddish-purple fall color
<i>Spirea latifolia</i>	Broad-leaved meadowsweet	3-4'	White or pinkish flower clusters attract butterflies. Twigs purplish red.
<i>Spirea tomentosa</i>	Steeplebush, hardback spirea	3-6'	Some cultivars have white or red flowers
<i>Taxus x media</i>	Yew species	4-10'	Shade tolerant; many cultivars and varieties available
<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>	Highbush blueberry	6-12'	Excellent fall color; fruit edible for humans/wildlife
<i>Vaccinium stamineum</i>	Deerberry	3-16'	Tiny white-purple flowers in early summer and blue-black berries in September-October. Edible but sour.
<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>	Arrowwood viburnum	5-9'	Flowers (May-June); small blue-black berries in fall
<i>Viburnum x pragense</i>	Prague viburnum	up to 10'	Very hardy evergreen; white flowers in summer, red berries in winter
<i>Viburnum prunifolium</i>	Black-haw viburnum	12-15'	White flowers (spring); fruit attracts birds; edible
<i>Viburnum rhytidophyllum</i>	Leatherleaf viburnum	10-15'	Yellowish-white flowers (spring); red fruit matures to black