

## Native Alternatives to Commonly Planted Invasive Plants

(Verify the plant genus and specie. Always match the botanic names against the plant's tag – make sure both names match or you may be getting a non-native, invasive version of the plant.)

### Invasive Plant

Burning Bush  
(*Euonymus alatas*)

### Native Alternatives

1. Red Chokecherry (*Aronia arbutifolia*)
2. Silky Dogwood (*Cornus amomum*)
3. Virginia Sweetspire (*Itea virginica*)
4. Mapleleaf Viburnum  
(*Viburnum acerifolium*)
5. Highbush Blueberry  
(*Vaccinium corymbosum*)
6. Fragrant Sumac (*Rhus aromatica*)
7. Shining Sumac (*Rhus copallina*)

Butterfly Bush  
(*Buddleia davidii*)

1. Sweet Pepperbush (*Clethra alnifolia*)
2. Virginia Sweetspire (*Itea virginica*)
3. Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*)
4. New York Iron Weed  
(*Vernonia noveboracensis*)
5. Butterfly Weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)

English Ivy  
(*Hedera helix*)

1. Virginia Creeper  
(*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*)
2. Crossvine (*Bignonia capreolata*)
3. Wild Ginger (*Asarum canadensis*)
4. Lady Fern (*Athyrium filix-femina*)
5. Foam Flower (*Tiarella cordifolia*)
6. Partridgeberry (*Michella repens*)
7. Creeping Phlox (*Phlox stolonifera*)
8. Evergreen Wood Fern  
(*Dryopteris marginalis* or *intermedia*)

Common Daylily  
(*Hemerocallis fulva*)

1. Ox-eye Sunflower  
(*Heliopsis helianthoides*)
2. Canada Lily (*Lilium canadense*)
3. Wood Lily (*Lilium philadelphicum*)
4. Turk's Cap Lily (*Lilium superbum*)
5. Three-lobed Coneflower  
(*Rudbeckia triloba*)

Japanese Spiraea  
(*Spiraea japonica*)

1. Sweet Pepperbush (*Clethra alnifolia*)
2. Virginia Sweetspire (*Itea virginica*)
3. Silky Dogwood (*Cornus amomum*)
4. Pinxterbloom Azalea

*(Rhododendren periclymenoides)*

Exotic Wisterias  
*(Wisteria sinensis, W. floribunda)*

1. American Wisteria (*Wisteria frutescens*)
2. Trumpet Vine (*Campsis radicans*)
3. Trumpet Honeysuckle  
*(Lonicera sempervirens)*
4. Crossvine (*Bignonia capreolata*)
5. Pipevine (*Aristolochia macrophylla*)

Periwinkle  
*(Vinca minor)*

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Miscanthus  
*(Miscanthus sinensis)*

1. Big Bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*)
2. Bushy Beardgrass  
*(Andropogon glomeratus)*
3. Switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum*)
4. Little Bluestem  
*(Schizachyrium scoparium)*
5. Indiangrass (*Sorghastrum nutans*)
6. Eastern Gammagrass  
*(Trisacum dactyloides)*
7. Big Cordgrass (*Spartina cynosuroides*)

Japanese Barberry  
*(Berberis thunbergii)*

1. Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*)
2. Sweet Pepperbush (*Clethra alnifolia*)
3. Northern Bayberry  
*(Myrica pensylvanica)*
4. Pasture Rose (*Rosa Carolina*)
5. Highbush Blueberry  
*(Vaccinium corymbosum)*
6. Beautyberry (*Callicarpa americana*)

Privets  
*(Ligustrum)*

1. Inkberry (*Ilex glabra*)
2. Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*)
3. Blackhaw Viburnum  
*(Viburnum prunifolium)*
4. Red Chokecherry (*Aronia arbutifolia*)

Exotic Bamboos  
(*Bambusa*, *Phyllostachys*,  
*Pseudosassa*)

Purple Loosestrife  
(*Lythrum salicaria*)

Exotic Bush Honeysuckles  
(*Lonicera*)

Bradford Pear  
(*Pyrus calleryana* 'Bradford')

Norway Maple  
(*Acer platanoides*)

Princess Tree  
(*Paulownia tomentosa*)

5. Black Chokecherry  
(*Aronia melanocarpa*)

1. Big Bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*)
2. Little Bluestem  
(*Schizachyrium scoparium*)
3. Indiangrass (*Sorghastrum nutans*)
4. Bottlebrush Grass (*Elymus hystrix*)

1. Joe Pye Weed (*Eupatorium fistulosum*)
2. Cardinal Flower (*Lobelia cardinalis*)
3. New York Ironweed  
(*Vernonia noveboracensis*)
4. Obedient Plant (*Physostegia virginiana*)
5. Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*)
6. Blue Vervain (*Verbena hastata*)

1. Arrowwood Viburnum  
(*Viburnum dentatum*)
2. Northern Bayberry  
(*Myrica pensylvanica*)
3. Swamp Rose (*Rosa palustris*)
4. Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*)
5. Red Chokecherry (*Aronia arbutifolia*)
6. Black Chokecherry  
(*Aronia melanocarpa*)

1. Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)
2. Black Gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*)
3. American Hornbeam, Ironwood  
(*Carpinus caroliniana*)
4. Serviceberry (*Amelanchier canadensis*)
6. American Yellowwood  
(*Cladrastis kentukea*)

1. Black Gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*)
2. Willow Oak (*Quercus phellos*)
3. Sweet Gum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*)
4. Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*)
5. Sourwood (*Oxydenrum arboreum*)

1. Serviceberry (*Amelanchier canadensis*)
2. Sourwood (*Oxydenrum arboreum*)
3. Sweetbay Magnolia  
(*Magnolia virginiana*)
4. Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)

Mimosa Tree  
(*Albizia julibrissin*)

5. Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*)

1. Serviceberry (*Amelanchier canadensis*)
2. Fringetree (*Chionanthus virginicus*)
3. Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)
4. Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*)

Sawtooth Oak  
(*Quercus acutissima*)

1. Northern Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*)
2. White Oak (*Quercus alba*)
3. Pin Oak (*Quercus palustris*)

White Mulberry  
(*Morus alba*)

1. Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*)
2. Black Gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*)
3. Sassafras (*Sassafras albidum*)

Oriental Bittersweet  
(*Celastrus orbiculatus*)

1. Trumpet Vine (*Campsis radicans*)
2. Trumpet Honeysuckle  
(*Lonicera sempervirens*)
3. Pipevine (*Aristolochia macrophylla*)
4. Passionflower (*Passiflora incarnata*)

Creeping Euonymus  
(*Euonymus fortunei*)

1. Trumpet Honeysuckle  
(*Lonicera sempervirens*)
2. Crossvine (*Bignonia capreolata*)
3. American Wisteria  
(*Wisteria frutescens*)

Japanese Honeysuckle  
(*Lonicera japonica*)

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