



Spring **Plant** Sale

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Saturday, April 6, 2019

9th Annual

Spring Plant Sale

Proceeds for White Oak Butterfly &
Hummingbird Garden

9:00 Presentation by

Heidi Sheesley

Horticulture Expert

TreeSearch Farms, Inc.

10:00 - 2:00 Plant Sale

(Or until sold out)

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***Adiantum capillus-veneris* - Southern Maidenhair Fern** – This fern thrives in soils that have lots of organic matter worked into the mix. They prefer shade to filtered sunlight. A great fern for detail shade plantings or containers. Looks delicate, but is really quite tough. Keep soil moist. Can be evergreen most winters.

***Aniscanthus wrightii* - Flame Acanthus** - A tough, Texas native, shrubby perennial covered with orange tubular flowers summer & fall. Averages 3' height. Drought tolerant once established. **Hummingbirds!**

***Aquilegia chrysantha* 'Hinckley' - Hinckley Columbine** - A gorgeous evergreen native Texas perennial for shade gardens. Forms 24" mounds of bright green parsley-like foliage all winter. Then in March-April, produces stalks of magnificent orchid-like yellow flowers for up to 6 weeks! Afternoon shade & good drainage.

***Asclepias curassivica* - Mexican Butterfly Weed** – Great perennial for butterflies and beautiful in the garden as well. Constantly blooming clusters of orange & yellow flowers on 3'-4' stalks. Responds well to pruning. **This is The Monarch Butterfly Plant!!!** It is their larval food as well as providing nectar. Do not use insecticides on this plant! Sun, part shade. Moist, well-drained soil.

***Asystasia gangetica variegata* - Variegated Ganges Primrose** – This variegated beauty is a tender perennial or subshrub that sprawls out and is reminiscent of a large petunia plant. Bright variegated foliage and purple flowers that bloom off and on nearly all year long. Easy to grow – sun to part sun. Can be mowed or trimmed hard in any season and will re-sprout quickly from the roots. 1'-2'h x 3'-4'w. Tolerates coastal conditions.

***Bignonia capreolata* 'Tangerine Beauty' - Tangerine Beauty Crossvine** – A strong, vigorous semi-evergreen to evergreen native vine that produces a spectacular display of bright orange-red trumpet flowers in spring. Crossvine grows well in full sun or light shade & has little tendrils that cling tightly to walls, fences, trees, & other surfaces. Will tolerate drought & occasional flooding conditions. Hummingbirds.

***Bletilla striata* 'Alba' - White Ground Orchid** – A solid white form of this gorgeous terrestrial orchid. The attractive pleated foliage emerges in very early spring followed by stems covered with 1"-2" pure white orchids. They bloom for up to 6 weeks in March-April. Bletillas thrive in a moist, humus-rich soil, but they also will tolerate sunnier, drier locations. They bloom best when crowded, and the best time to divide them is very early spring. Prefer light shade

***Buddleia davidii* 'Attraction' - Attraction Butterfly Bush** – A new, spectacular Buddleia with large panicles of highly fragrant cranberry-red flowers that bloom summer to fall on full 6' shrubs. 'Attraction' is considered the reddest of any Butterfly Bush and is an absolute magnet for butterflies! It provides rich color at the back of a perennial bed or makes a bold statement as a single specimen. Great cut flower. It's tough, can tolerate heat, drought, cold, and is deer resistant! Full sun, moist, well-drained soil.

***Buddleia* 'Orange Sceptre' - Orange Sceptre Butterfly Bush** – A buddleia hybrid – *B. stachyoides* and *B. tubiflora* fell in love and produced this orange blooming, 8' tall, deer resistant butterfly bush that flowers virtually all year –peaking fall through early summer – a butterfly & hummingbird magnet. The 1' long spikes of bright orange flowers open from bottom to top. 11" long fuzzy gray-green leaves are attractive all on their own. It was evergreen into the low 20's. Sun/partial sun.

***Buddleia davidii* 'Compact White' – Compact White Buddleia** – Elegant white form of butterfly bush. Produces 6"-8" arching panicles of extremely fragrant, pure white flowers with soft yellow throats. Soft gray-green undersides of the leaves complement the flowers. Outstanding 3' - 4' compact shrub with arching stems that blooms from late spring to fall. Deciduous. Responds well to pruning. Sun or light shade. **Butterflies!**

***Bulbine fruticosa* 'Shorty' - Yellow Shorty Bulbine** – New more compact yellow form! Evergreen clumping perennial for full sun. Green, narrow, aloe vera-type foliage 12"-15" tall. Forms dense, terminal racemes of small, star-shaped yellow flowers on slender 18" stems almost 11 months of the year! Sun, light shade. Drought tolerant, needs good drainage.

***Callirhoe involucrata* - Winecup** – A native perennial with evergreen rosettes in winter and long prostrate stems covered with 2" poppy-like wine-red flowers March through April. If you grow them in partial shade and provide regular watering, they will stay green and bloom sporadically through the summer. If you plant them in full sun and tend to be a lazy gardener, they may go dormant in July and return again when the weather is cooler. Winecup looks magnificent cascading over a wall or down a rocky slope. Bees and butterflies love their pollen.

***Callistemon viminalis* 'Hannah Ray' - Hannah Ray Bottlebrush** - Beautiful as a specimen or when used as a hedge. Aromatic, normally evergreen small tree with soft, feathery, apple-green foliage on limbs with a slightly weeping form. Long spring blooming cycle with large bright red bottlebrush flowers. Averages 10'-12' tall. Sun or light shade & good drainage. A **hummingbird magnet!!!**

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***Calotropis gigantea* - Giant Milkweed** – This large shrub or small tree is native to India & Southern China, but has been extensively cultivated in tropical areas around the world. A member of the milkweed family, it typically grows 8'-15' tall. Lovely white crown-like flowers appear in clusters throughout the year, but primarily in the summer. Huge, glossy foliage 6"-8" long. Giant milkweed is an important larval plant for monarch butterflies. Great as a cut flower – used in leis in Hawaii. Tropical – would need to be protected from freezing weather.

***Carex divulsa* – Grassland Sedge a.k.a. Berkeley Sedge** – Grows in clumps with intermingling narrow foliage. Performs well in shaded areas under trees, or use as ground cover on slopes and meadows. Tolerates heat and humidity. Can naturalize in moist, boggy, clay or sandy soils. Fairly drought tolerant once established, but looks best with regular moisture. 1', part sun to shade. **Evergreen.**

***Carex oshimensis* EverColor® 'Everillo' PP21002 – Everillo Sedge** - Adds a color burst to mixed container plantings, garden beds, and borders. Lime green leaves deepen to golden yellow. Makes a vibrant ground cover. Grows in a neat mound arching up from the crown and weeping gracefully. 1', shade to part shade. Evergreen.

***Crinum sp.* 'Stars & Stripes' – Stars & Stripes Crinum** – A fabulous Thad Howard cross that holds up under the toughest heat & humidity. Clear white petals are marked with a deep garnet center stripe. Flowers are held on sturdy 24" stalks above glossy, tropical looking foliage. Full sun

***Cuphea ignea* 'David Verity' - David Verity Cuphea** – A compact and more refined version of the standard cigar plant. 'David Verity' grows into an upright, very full plant with tiny foliage and it is a non-stop bloomer of small, tubular, orange and yellow flowers spring through fall. It's an incredibly tough plant and doesn't seem to have any insect or disease problems. It's a great companion plant for the Mexican Butterfly Weed. Averages 3' tall. Sun, light shade. **Hummingbirds & Butterflies.**

***Cuphea ignea* - Pink Cuphea** – An incredible cuphea! Dainty looking, yet tough, this 2'-3' upright mounding cuphea forms a solid mass of small green leaves and is constantly covered with adorable tubular, pink flowers with lavender lips and white "ears" from spring to fall! It grows in full sun or light shade. Moist, well-drained soil. **Hummingbirds & Butterflies.**

***Dianthus barbatus* 'First Love' - First Love Dianthus** – One of the finest, heat tolerant, long lived, super blooming dianthus on the market!!! 'First Love' blooms practically 12 months of the year, producing 12"-18" stalks topped with clusters of white, light pink, & dark pink frilly flowers. Light shade or sun. It's happiest with a little afternoon shade in the summer. Moist, well drained soil.

***Diets irioides* 'Lemon Drop' - Lemon Drop Butterfly Iris** - Beautiful heirloom butterfly iris! Blooms almost all summer long once established. Tall, graceful stems with flowers that open continually as the spire extends. The flowers are creamy white with a "drop" of intense yellow on each petal. Beautiful, clumping, vertical growth habit.

***Echinacea purpurea* - Native Purple Coneflower** – Blooming spring to fall, Native Purple Coneflower is an outstanding perennial, cut flower, butterfly attractor & overall fantastic plant for the garden during our hot summers. The flower stalks can reach 2' tall or more. Coneflowers like sun to light shade, and good drainage. Their golden-brown seed heads remain on the flower stalk long after the petals fade and provide food for birds.

***Euonymus americana* - Strawberry Shrub** - An attractive & unique understory shrub found in the fertile woodlands & along streams of East Texas. It has an upright, irregular, airy form with thin, green, horizontal stems. Strawberry Shrub is famous for its strawberry-like red capsules in the fall that crack open exposing bright orange seed, and for its spectacular red fall foliage color! It grows in shade or light shade & prefers moist, fertile, well-drained soil with a high humus content. Grows 5 – 6' tall.

***Eupatorium coelestinum* - Blue Mist Flower or Wild Ageratum** – Our native hardy ageratum gives a burst of color to the end of summer! Flat topped flower heads with fuzzy, dense clusters of bright blue-violet flowers top attractive red stems from mid-summer to early fall. Averages 2'. Naturalizes readily and makes a good groundcover. Sun or light shade. Moist, well-drained soil. **Butterflies!**

***Foeniculum vulgare* 'Rubrum' - Bronze Fennel** – Soft feathery aromatic foliage with yellow blooms against delicate bronze-green leaves. It has a very distinct flavor of licorice. Great plant for **supporting beneficial insects** as well as **butterfly larvae** and a great host plant for the **swallowtail butterfly**. Grows to 4' and needs full sun to part shade with soil that is loose rich and well drained.

***Gaura lindheimeri* 'Siskiyou Pink' – Siskiyou Pink Gaura** – A lean, mean, blooming machine! Gaura is a fabulous native Texas perennial that thrives in hot, dry climates, & is unfazed by our humidity! In spring, the basal rosette gives rise to delicate looking 2'-3' stems covered with countless hundreds of shimmering bright pink flowers resembling butterflies. Even with the cloud of flowers, the plant still has an open see-through appearance. It blooms from spring to fall in heavy bloom cycles. Prefers full sun & good drainage. **Butterflies!**

***Gaura lindheimeri* 'Whirling Butterfly' - Whirling Butterfly Gaura** – A lean, mean, blooming machine! Gaura is native to Houston & the southeast, thrives in hot, dry climates, & is unfazed by our humidity! In spring, the basal rosette gives rise to delicate looking 2'-3' stems covered with countless hundreds of shimmering white flowers resembling butterflies. Even with the cloud of flowers, the plant still gives an open see-through appearance. It blooms from spring to fall in heavy bloom cycles. Prefers full sun & good drainage, but will tolerate some wet.

***x Gordlinia grandiflora* – Gordlinia** – An exciting but seemingly unlikely combination, this inter-generic hybrid tree combines the hardiness of Franklinia with the cultural ease of Gordonia. Early, white 2" flowers, semi-evergreen foliage, and a robust tree-like growth habit make this an exciting new flowering tree addition to the trade. Over time could reach 30' tall and half as wide. Picks up nice red and orange colors in the fall. As both parents are from the Southeast, good heat tolerance as well.

***Hemerocallis* 'Yellow Landscape Supreme' - Yellow Landscape Supreme Daylily** - an evergreen, hardy, tough daylily. Stunning yellow flowers!

***Hibiscus coccineus alba* - White Texas Star Hibiscus** – Texas Star hibiscus are a great addition to the landscape. Attractive foliage on elegant 5'-6' tall plants that are topped with single 8" pure, bright white flowers. Tough, hardy and adapts well to wet, heavy ground. Performs best in full sun. Cut back the old stems after a hard freeze.

***Hibiscus coccineus* - Red Texas Star Hibiscus** – A native tough mallow that blooms spring through fall with large 6"-8" bright red flowers. Grows 6'-7' tall –likes full sun. Great for rain gardens, bog gardens or any difficult area in your yard! Can handle wet soil or dry. Not picky! Goes dormant.

***Hibiscus x paramutabilis* - Terri's Baby Pink Hibiscus** – A new, lighter pink version of the original 'Terri's Pink' – a Treeseach Farms favorite. This new one is quickly becoming a standout!! A root hardy mallow that blooms soft, baby pink 6" flowers non-stop spring through first frost. The maple-like foliage always looks good, well into fall when other mallows start to defoliate. Terri's Baby Pink is clean looking and does not produce seed pods. Sun to part sun, moist, well-drained soil. 4'-6' tall.

***Lochroma cyaneum* - Purple lochroma** – A striking upright, vase-shaped shrub that is covered with tubular purple flowers spring through fall. Averages 4-6'. Full sun. **Hummingbirds!**

***Justicia sp.* 'Orange Flame' - Orange Flame Justicia** – This is a knockout plant! Glossy foliage & striking upright clusters of bright orange flowers. It seems to bloom all the time. Averages 3' by 3'. **Hummingbirds!**

***Lilium hybrid longiflorum* - Orange American Cheerleader Lily** – A great naturalizing lily for Houston. Blooms late spring large "sunset" colored flowers. Their thick petals are durably weatherproof & are especially long lasting if you remove the pollen anthers after the flowers open. Fabulous cut flower! Plant grows up to 3' tall with thick stalks. Plant in sun with good drainage. Allow to die down naturally in the fall –bulblets will form along the stem below ground level to increase your clump size each year.

***Lilium hybrid longiflorum* - Yellow American Hero Lily** – A great naturalizing lily for Houston. Blooms late spring with 6" long, fragrant yellow flowers. Their thick petals are durably weatherproof & are especially long lasting if you remove the pollen anthers after the flowers open. Fabulous cut flower! Plant grows up to 3' tall with thick stalks. Plant in sun with good drainage. Allow to die down naturally in the fall –bulblets will form along the stem below ground level to increase your clump size each year.

***Lilium x A Hybrid* - Naturalizing Hybrid lilies for the Landscape** - Crossing of Asiatic hybrids (bright colors) & Longiflorum (Easter Lily type, for hardiness) lilies. Flowers are much larger & more funnel shaped than asiatics, & are **extremely long lasting** – especially if the pollen anthers are removed when the flower opens. Thicker petals are more weather resistant. **All varieties are fragrant.** LxA hybrids perennialize well in most areas. If you want yours to come back, allow the foliage to die down naturally in the fall. Bulblets form on the lower stem below ground level, & will increase the size of the clump. Individual plants can reach 4' tall. Plant in beds with improved soil, good drainage & full sun. One of the finest cut flowers you can grow!

American Hot Chocolate is a dark burgundy/chocolate color.

Red Alert is a deep burgundy red.

Zambesi – Pure white

***Lilium longiflorum* - American Native Lily** – A great naturalizing lily for Houston. Blooms late spring large peach-orange colored flowers. Their thick petals are durably weatherproof & are especially long lasting if you remove the pollen anthers after the flowers open. Fabulous cut flower! Plant grows up to 3' tall with thick stalks. Plant in sun with good drainage. Allow to die down naturally in the fall –bulblets will form along the stem below ground level to increase your clump size each year.

Louisiana Iris – These colorful hybrids are derived from five species of iris that are indigenous to the wetlands of Louisiana and Southeastern Texas. Their common name as a group was coined by James Audubon when he began sketching the fauna and flora of Louisiana in the 1820's. Often known as A water plant, these irises perform equally well in normal garden bed conditions. They are available in a virtual rainbow of colors. Their attractive blue-green foliage is evergreen in mild winters. Plant in sun to part sun.

Creole Flame Iris.

Crisp Lime Iris.

Sinfonietta Iris - Blue

***Justicia sp.* 'Lemon Sorbet' - Lemon Sorbet Shrimp Plant** – A shrimp plant with a new delicious color! It produces 4"- 6" shrimp-shaped spikes of overlapping pastel lemon-yellow bracts with white tubular flowers on a 3' mound of soft, apple-green leaves. This tough attractive plant is an extremely long bloomer, responds well to pruning, & is root hardy in the Houston & Gulf Coast area. It grows in sun or light shade & a moist, well drained soil. **Hummingbirds!!!**

***Microlepia strigosa* 'Macfaddeniae' – Macfadden's Lace Fern** – The most refined of the crested lace ferns. With its variable forms of fronds, this hard to find but easy to grow cultivar sports a very unique horizontal appearance. The tassel-like crests at the tip of the fronds droop slightly, making this fern an excellent accent plant in the landscape. 12"-18", deciduous, clumping. Shade.

***Orthosiphon* sp. 'Alba' - White Cat Whiskers** – Super showy! Tender, shrubby, "mint" with terminal white flowers in heavy bloom cycles spring to fall. Responds well to pruning. Another **butterfly & hummingbird** nectar plant. 3'-4' tall. Part shade.

***Orthosiphon stamineus* - Purple Cat Whiskers** – Super showy! Tender, shrubby, "mint" with terminal lavender flowers in heavy bloom cycles spring to fall. Responds well to pruning. Another **butterfly & hummingbird** nectar plant. 3'-4' tall. Part shade.

***Passiflora mooreana* – Mooreana Passion Vine** – An **evergreen** passion vine that blooms with fragrant 3" sky-blue flowers that have a purple halo from spring to fall. The blue-gray foliage with deeply lobed leaves forms a thick tapestry on a fence or arbor. Fast growing once established. Sun or light shade with moist, well-drained soil.

Penta lanceolata – These "uprights" are the heirloom, pass-a-long originals that still carry all the sweet nectar that hummingbirds and butterflies love. The self-cleaning *lanceolatas* bloom non-stop with no dead-heading. They can reach up to 3' tall and their flower clusters are 3" across thereby adding both height and color to sun, part-sun or light shade gardens. Each plant will carry dozens and dozens of clusters at one time. Normally root hardy in harsh winters – if not, cut back hard in early spring for a full plant with year-round beauty. Easy to grow and makes a decent cut flower!

Ruby Glow – a stunning, rich red

White Upright – 'White' is a pure, clean white.

***Phlox paniculata* 'John Fanick' - John Fanick Phlox** – One of the finest summer phlox for the south!! It is not only an outstanding bloomer, but is tight and compact for a summer phlox, is mildew resistant, & it is very heat-tolerant – must be, it was found in San Antonio!! Produces huge heads of light pink flowers with a dark pink eye from May to September. 24" – 36" tall. Sun or light shade.

***Podranea ricasoliana* - Desert Trumpet Vine** - Fast growing, root hardy vine that is evergreen in mild climates. Grows to 20' high. Covered with 3" open, trumpet-shaped pink flowers, veined in red, late summer and fall. Blooms in loose clusters at the ends of new growth. It likes heat, full sun, good drainage. **Hummingbirds!**

***Polypodium aureum* 'Blue Star' – Blue Star Fern** – A frosted blue tropical fern hardy to Zone 7! This "footed" fern will develop large reddish rhizomes and does great on top of most well drained soils. The large, long spectacular blue fronds take a while to develop, but are worth the wait! Grow in partial sun, to full shade. 12"-24".

***Salvia blepharophylla* 'Painted Lady' - Painted Lady Salvia** – Big red lips! This is the showiest eyelash sage. Its vibrant red flowers have a velvety hood and a very large lip that jumps out at you. Forming a dense colony, it remains evergreen if the temperature does not drop below 20°. One of the best sages for woodland areas.

***Salvia elegans* - Pineapple Sage** – A deliciously fragrant, super colorful, tough perennial with an open, airy structure of soft fuzzy green leaves and long terminal spikes of vivid red tubular flowers late summer thru fall. The fragrance of the foliage smells of pineapple! The leaves are used in fruit salads and teas, and the flowers are great in desserts and salads. It averages 3'-4' tall and grows in full sun or part shade in moist, well-drained soil. It responds well to pruning. **Hummingbirds and Butterflies!**

***Salvia elegans* 'Golden Delicious' – 'Golden Delicious' Golden leaved Pineapple Sage** – A deliciously fragrant, super colorful, tough perennial with an open, airy structure of soft fuzzy chartreuse colored leaves and long terminal spikes of vivid red tubular flowers late summer thru fall. The fragrance of the foliage smells of pineapple! The leaves are used in fruit salads and teas, and the flowers are great in desserts and salads. It averages 3'-4' tall and grows in full sun or part shade in moist, well-drained soil. It responds well to pruning. **Hummingbirds and Butterflies!**

***Salvia guarantica* 'Purple' - Purple Salvia Guarantica** – Rich, dark purple flowers with a nearly black calyx – blooms constantly from spring through frost. A perennial salvia that is a magnet for butterflies and hummingbirds. Sun to part sun. Cut back in early spring to maintain a nice shape.

***Salvia nemorosa* 'May Night' - 'May Night' Salvia** – An outstanding salvia with a compact growth habit, profuse deep purple flower spikes and a tolerance for heavy clay soils. **Foliage is evergreen** in winter – very cold hardy! Blooms nearly year round. Dead head occasionally. Bees, butterflies and hummingbirds love 'May Night'. **Deer and rabbit resistant.** 12"-16" high including the flower spikes. Full sun to partial sun.

***Salvia* 'Wendy's Wish' - Wendy's Wish Salvia** – Extremely interesting, jumbo, shrimp-like buds open to tubular magenta-fuchsia blooms that have with fluted edges. Attractive dark green leaves with dark maroon stems. 24"-36" tall and wide. Sun, well-drained soil. This Australian salvia was given 'honorary Texan' status by Jimmy Turner of the Dallas Arboretum. It's called 'Wendy's Wish' because the breeder wishes to donate a portion of each sale to charity.

***Scutellaria costaricana* 'Red Fountains' - Red Fountains Skullcap** – Colorful, low mounding perennial with small glossy green foliage covered with clusters of red tubular flowers through late spring and summer. These skullcaps mound or slightly "carpet" an area and well gently cascade over edges of raised beds. Average 8"-10" tall. Sun or light shade. Moist, well-drained soil.

***Scutellaria sp.* - Fuschia Fountains Skullcap** – A wonderful, tough, dynamite perennial from Northern Mexico. Forms a 6" to 8" tall mound of tiny foliage and is smothered with small snapdragon-like fuschia flowers spring to fall in heavy bloom cycles. Sun, good drainage. A very long-lived perennial.

***Sedum mexicana* - Mexican Sedum** - A wonderful 1" tall, evergreen groundcover that carpets & cascades on & over anything. Produces 8" stems with thousands of tiny yellow flowers in spring. A tough little groundcover with a wonderful texture that will grow almost anywhere! Full sun or light shade & good drainage. Cut back the flower stems after blooming.

***Stachytarpheta jamicensis* 'Blue' - Blue Porterweed** – A 2' - 4' tall bushy herbaceous plant with long, elegant flower spikes of indigo blue flowers almost constantly blooming from spring to fall. The flowers appear in clusters moving upward along the long narrow flower spikes. Prefers part shade. Tender in a hard winter. Responds well to pruning. **Hummingbirds & Butterflies!!!**

***Symphoricarpos orbiculatus* – Coralberry** - A wonderful, small native perennial shrub with slender arching stems and green-blue foliage that turns red in the fall. Small burgundy-pink berries persist even after the leaves have dropped in the winter. It's an outstanding under story shrub or tall "groundcover". Coralberry prefers light shade. Averages 2'-3' tall, but may reach 4' - responds well to pruning. Drought tolerant once established. **BIRDS!**

***Talinum paniculatum variegatum* – Variegated Jewels of Opar** – A standout in any garden – Variegated Jewels of Opar has creamy white edged thick foliage set off by wiry reddish stems topped with dainty pink flowers. Grow in well-drained soil, sun to partial sun. Has been root hardy in the landscape in Houston. Great in containers too.

***Thelypteris decursive-pinnata* - Japanese Beech Fern** – Absolutely beautiful! The lush foliage of this fern produces large, graceful colonies and stays constantly dark green throughout the growing season & through the first frosts of autumn, until a hard freeze finally puts it to rest for the winter. Its vigorous growth makes it an excellent choice for a ground cover. Hardy zones 4-10. 12"-24" high. Plant in shade.

***Viola hederacea* - Australian Violet** – An outstanding evergreen groundcover for shade gardens! Forms a lush carpet, 1" - 2" tall, of bright green foliage & is almost constantly blooming adorable white & blue violet flowers in heavy cycles spring, summer, & fall. Must have under-story conditions & especially afternoon shade. Also looks great cascading out of containers. Moist, well-drained soil.

***Vitex agnus-castus* 'Montose Purple' - Montrose Purple Vitex** – A new Vitex with slightly larger foliage & magnificent blooms that are 3 times larger than the standard Vitex & a richer, darker blue color. A drought tolerant, sun loving, small, single or multi-trunked tree up to 18' tall. **Butterflies.**

***Zephyranthes* sp. 'Labuffarosa' - Labuffarosa Rainlily** – A real showstopper! Blooms beautiful 2" flowers with two toned-petals of white and soft pink during rainy periods in spring, summer and fall. Attractive grass-like foliage 10" tall. Multiplies from bulb & seed. Sun or part shade. Rainlilies are spectacular in mass plantings, wonderful tucked in pockets throughout the garden, and also love showing off in containers. For a delicate looking plant, these are quite tough. Will tolerate wet & dry.

Trees & Shrubs

***Galphimia glauca* - Thryallis** – A large flowering shrub with narrow bluish-green foliage that's covered with clusters of small bright yellow flowers nearly year-round! It's evergreen in mild winters or temperate areas & is used in all types of landscapes. Thryallis is relatively salt & drought tolerant for coastal areas. Can also be used as a hedging. Averages 3'-6' tall. Sun.

***Hibiscus hamabo* - Yellow Tree Hibiscus** – A beautiful & unique hibiscus "tree" that grows about 10'-12' tall & 10'-12' wide. This hardy, deciduous large shrub or small tree has attractive, somewhat rounded leaves with a silver backing & is covered with 3"-4" bright sulphur-yellow flowers with a maroon center in summer. It likes full sun & a well-drained soil.

***Prunus* sp. 'Hirome' - Hirome Dwarf Cherry** – A dwarf flowering & producing cherry grown as a 3'-4' "shrub". In very early spring, every stem is covered with pink flowers & later in the year it produces ½" red cherries that are actually edible! Tart, but edible. The fruit is also very ornamental & a great bird attractor! Full sun to light shade & a moist, well-drained soil.

***Rosa* 'Ducher' - Ducher Rose** – What can we say about this spectacular shrub rose except we LOVE it! Ducher seems to be blooming all the time, is disease and insect free, is fragrant, has lovely reddish new growth and white double flowers –it is thought to be the only white China rose. Grows 3'-4' x 3'-4'. Likes sun, but is surprisingly tolerant of partial sun as well. Practically maintenance free, Ducher is a favorite among landscapers and rosarians simply because it is one of the best roses grown.

***Rosa* 'Mutabilis' - Mutabilis Rose** – An outstanding China rose that never seems to stop blooming! A large, full shrub covered with single roses of yellow, orange, rich pink and crimson. Almost evergreen in mild winters. Sun, averages 4'-6'.

***Rosa* sp. 'Belinda's Dream' - Belinda's Dream Rose** – A garden favorite because it is almost constantly in bloom with tidy, high-centered, richly fragrant, full double, medium pink blooms. Upright. Beautiful blue-green foliage. Full sun, good drainage. 3'-4' x 3'-4' average. **Texas Superstar™**.

***Rosa* sp. 'Peggy Martin' - Peggy Martin Rose** – This is the incredible rose that survived Hurricane Katrina, continuing to live in the salt water flooded yard of Peggy Martin in Plaquemines Parish, near New Orleans. Long arching canes give this rose a graceful rambling form and clusters of showy, bright pink flowers make it a stunning accent in any garden. Covered with clusters of flowers each spring from mid-March through May, it starts blooming again in late summer and repeat blooms until a frost slows it down in winter. Thornless and disease resistant. Full sun. Moist, well-drained soil. *Cooperating Growers are donating \$1 of each purchase of the Peggy Martin Rose to a fund managed by the Greater Houston Community Foundation to restore parks, gardens, and green space in New Orleans.*

***Rosa* sp. 'Valentine' - Valentine Rose** – 'Valentine's' long pointed buds open to velvety, semi-double flowers of rich scarlet that can be 3 or 4 inches across on a mature plant. The nearly thornless bush is slightly open. The foliage is very full and rich and is rarely affected by heat, humidity, insects, or disease. This is a rose grown for show and will attract considerable attention. 3 to 4 feet

Vines

***Podranea ricasoliana* - Desert Trumpet Vine** – Fast growing, root hardy vine that is evergreen in mild climates. Grows to 20' high. Covered with 3" open, trumpet-shaped pink flowers, veined in red, late summer and fall. Blooms in loose clusters at the ends of new growth. It likes heat, full sun, good drainage.

Fruits & Herbs

Ouchita Blackberry PP#17162 – Bears consistently high yields of large sweet berries over a five week period on thornless canes. The berries are about the size of a quarter and contain approx. 10% - 12% sugar. The erect habit of the blackberry makes it easy to maintain in the landscape. Good disease resistance.

***Prunus mexicana* - Mexican Plum** – Outstanding native spring blooming tree with very fragrant white flowers! Slowly grows to about 20'. Sun, part shade. Produces a tasty small plum. Great for eating, for jellies, jams, & for sharing with the birds! **Butterfly nectar & host plant.**

***Rosemarinus sp.* 'Prostrata' - Prostrate Rosemary** – One of those very special herbs that's a must in any sunny landscape. Prostrate Rosemary is an evergreen cascading shrub that mounds to about 2' tall eventually and cascades over anything; walls, landscape timbers, rock, out of containers, etc. Use it near walkways where you can enjoy the fragrance of the foliage. Rosemary is covered with small blue flowers in the winter & early spring. Drought tolerant. Full sun or light shade & must have good drainage. Great for cooking.

Tomatoes

Black and Brown Boar – This looks like a Black Zebra, slightly larger with some lobes. Pumps out 3-4" fruit like crazy. Aggressive grower and producer. Great flavor, dark earthy tones of rich tomato.

Cherokee Purple – Large open pollinated: A reliable producer of unusual, medium pink-purple fruits that appear brown in color, and average 8 to 12 oz. apiece. Fruits are round to oblate, with no cracking. Exhibits tolerance to mild drought as well as to common diseases. Indeterminate.

Early Girl – When gardeners talk about the "first" tomatoes, Early Girl is always there. This may be the most all-round popular hybrid to satisfy that itch for the first fresh tomato of the season. Use them for slicing on a plate, into a salad, or on a sandwich. This a proven all-round early hybrid.

Patio Choice Yellow Tomato - A great variety for hanging baskets and container gardens. Short vines grow only 18 inches long, but each plant will produce over 100 of the bright yellow, cherry-type tomatoes. The 1 inch fruits have a mild, sweet flavor with just a touch of acid - ideal for salads and snacking. Determinate. A 2017 AAS National Winner.

Sun Sugar – All the flavor of an heirloom in cherry size! These orangey-yellow fruits are bursting with terrific tomato tang & a high sugar content for a touch of **sweet**. These luscious fruits appear in clusters all over a very vigorous vining plant. Indeterminate.