

Shady garden and the development of a colourful plan

Maintenance plan for garden in shade or half sun

- After planting, watering the plants is the next step. But after the first watering, it is essential to wait till the upper soil is totally dry and water them again sufficiently. Plants in the ground prefer water thoroughly one time (x 1 per week, or 2 during warm-summer months) than watering "little by little" every day! Plants in pots need water more often.
- You do not have to fertilize immediately after planting. If fertilizing the garden is already on the schedule for the next days or next two weeks, then it can wait! But read the instructions on the packaging carefully. Especially with fertilizers that can harm flowers and nectar.
- The exact pruning instructions differ per plant. Generally speaking for the perennials pruning the flowering part is best to do immediately after the flowering season. But still, consider that the dead/dry parts of plants work also as a protection shield against frost. Best season for pruning the dry parts then, is the spring just after the heavy winter. Less hardy plants are good to get covered with leaves or other protection layers during the winter months.
- You can easily separate plants when they are spreading with no control. This can be achieved with shovel or a special pruning scissors

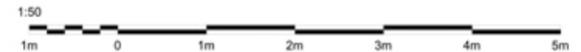
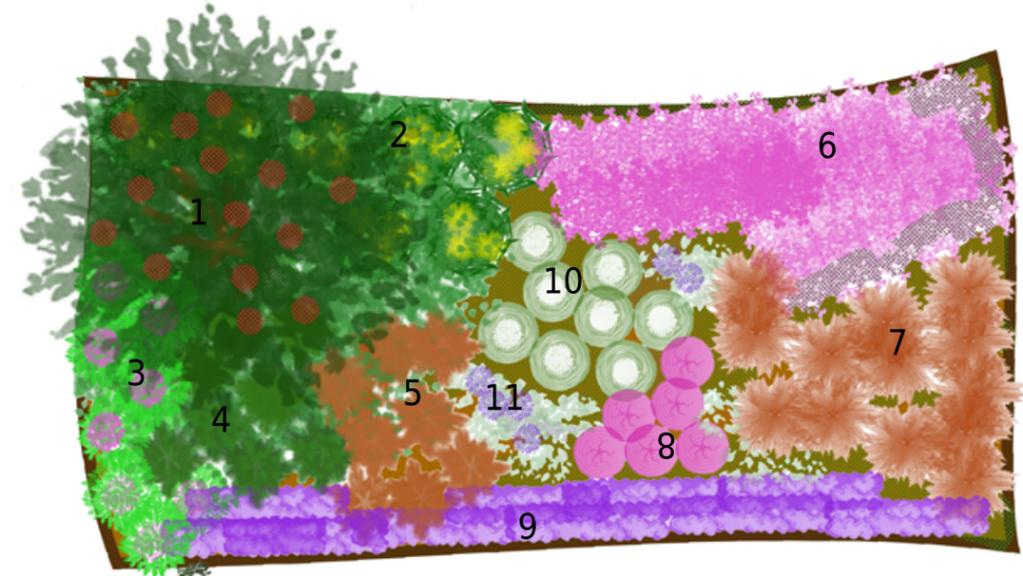
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A garden in shade can sparkle as well! It needs maximum two hours of sun, morning to afternoon (between 10-14, is perfect). At any case a garden cannot be boring, and it will not be, by adding beautiful foliage. There are several plants that enjoy being in shade. Some of them are included in the following selection.

Inspiration proposal for a shady garden
ca. 30m²



- Sorbus aucuparia*
Rowan (E), Gewone lijsterbes(D)
- Mahonia aquifolium*,
Mahonia (E), Mahoniastruik(D)
- Hosta purple heart*
Heart leaf lily (E), Paars dag lelie (D)
- Polystichum setiferum*
Soft shield fern (E), Naaldvaren (D)
- Dryopteris erythrosora*
Japanese shield fern (E), Herfst varen(D)
- Anemone x hybrida 'Elegans'*
Japanese anemone 'Elegans' (E), Herfstanemoon(D)

- Heuchera 'Berry Smoothie'*
Alum root 'Berry Smoothie'(E), Purperklokje (D)
- Astilbe pulmila*
Astilbe (E), Astilbe Pluimspirea(D)
- Geranium macrorrhizum*
Cranesbill(E), Ooievaarsbek (D)
- Luzula sylvatica*
Great wood-rush (E), Grote veldbies (D)
- Vinca minor*
Lesser periwinkle (E), Kleine maagdenpalm (D)



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1. Sorbus aucuparia
Type: Tree
Flowering season: May- July
Flower colour: Red
Hight: 500-1200cm



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2. Mahonia aquifolium,
Type: Bush
Flowering season: March- April
Flower colour: Yellow
Hight: 150cm



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3. Hosta purple heart
Type: Perennial
Flowering season: May- July
Flower colour: Purple
Hight: 85cm



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4. Polystichum setiferum
Type: Fern/Perennial
Flowering season: April- August
Flower colour: - (Green foliage)
Hight: 65cm



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5. Dryopteris erythrosora
Type: Red fern/ Perennial
Flowering season: August- September
Flower colour: - (red-brown)
Hight: 60cm



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6. Anemone x hybrida 'Elegans'
Type: Perennial
Flowering season: August -October
Flower colour: Pink
Hight: 75cm



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7. Heuchera 'Berry Smoothie'
Type: Perennial
Flowering season: May- July
Flower colour: Red
Hight: 40cm



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8. Astilbe pulmila
Type: Perennial
Flowering season: May- July
Flower colour: Lila-Pink
Hight: 75cm

9. Geranium macrorrhizum
Type: Perennial
Flowering season: May- July
Flower colour: Purple
Hight: 40cm



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10. Luzula sylvatica
Type: Grass
Flowering season: May -August
Flower colour: - (Green foliage)
Hight: 50cm

11. Vinca minor
Type: Ground cover/ Perennial
Flowering season: April- July
Flower colour: Purple
Hight: 30cm



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