

PERENNIALS



Alpine strawberry: *Fragaria vesca*

Useful little plant, grows anywhere, supplying pretty little flowers and delicious little fruit continuously through growing season, June to October; great for picking a treat as you wander in your garden.



Astrantia major

Astrantias are superb perennials for growing under trees, on a stream bank or in a moist border. It bears branched heads of neat, white pincushion flowers, surrounded by a ruff of greenish white bracts. It's ideal for growing in containers and makes an excellent cut flower.




Carthusian pink: *Dianthus carthusianorum*

Tall pink with small, single, dark pink flowers held above grassy foliage. Good choice for growing with ornamental grasses or a pictorial meadow scheme, or in a border alongside other herbaceous perennials.



Chinese poppy: *Stylophorum lasiocarpum*

Woodland perennial from China, with large lobed leaves, open cup-shaped yellow flowers from spring to late summer, on upright branched stems to 30cm tall. Tolerates dry shade, although it prefers rich woodland.

		<p>Daylily: <i>Hemerocallis</i> Daylilies like free draining fertile soil and full sun to partial shade. This terracotta variety looks stunning in a mixed border.</p>
		<p>Drumstick primrose: <i>Primula denticulata</i> Robust relation of our usual primrose, round pink flowers on sturdy tall stems; spreads nicely in rich soil, prefers shade.</p>
		<p>Foxgloves: <i>Digitalis heywoodii</i> 'Silver Fox' Dwarf white foxglove with furry silver leaves. Sun or shade, good drainage.</p>
		<p>Hardy Geraniums or Cranesbills: Easy to grow herbaceous perennials that once established, are decorative, drought-tolerant, and undemanding. Essential plants for any garden, with a wide range of possible choices; the following are on offer:</p>
		<p>Geranium Meadow Cranesbill: <i>Geranium pratense</i> Native plant often seen on verges, perfect for wild areas.</p>



Geranium 'Orkney Cherry'

An eye-catching deciduous geranium that forms carpet of bronze-flushed foliage covered in vibrant contrasting pink flowers. Compact, creeping habit with long flowering period.



Italian Arum: *Arum italicum* 'Marmoratum'

An attractive plant with large, arrow-shaped, glossy green leaves heavily marbled with cream, ideal for brightening up shady areas. Over time it makes a dense carpet that covers the ground from late autumn till mid spring when pale green spathes grow well above the leaves, followed in autumn by a display of vivid red berries.






Ivy-leaved Cyclamen: *Cyclamen hederifolium*

Hardy perennial, with marbled, ivy-shaped leaves preceded in late summer by upright, fragrant pink or white flowers, giving a long season of interest. Plant en-masse in a woodland setting or around the base of deciduous trees or naturalise in grass.



Lamb's Ear: *Stachys byzantine*

Good ground-cover perennial, with soft fluffy foliage. Flowers in mid-summer on thick silver stems 45cm. Drought-tolerant, for gravel bed or dry sunny border.

		<p>London Pride: <i>Saxifraga x urbium</i> Easy to grow and versatile, a great little plant for softening the edges, or filling larger gaps in the paving. Evergreen, always with beautiful rosettes of leaves. In summer, it bears panicles of pale-pink flowers on tall, wiry stalks.</p>
		<p>Meadow Rue: <i>Thalictrum aquilegifolium</i> Tall herbaceous perennial with lacy bluish-green foliage like that of columbine (hence name), bearing dense fluffy pink flowers in early summer. Easy to grow, sun or dappled shade.</p>
		<p>Pale yellow-eyed grass: <i>Sisyrinchium striatum</i> Clump-forming perennial bearing fans of iris-like foliage, 70-90cm, topped by clusters of pale yellow flowers in June and July.</p>
		<p>Penstemon Semi-evergreen foliage, with lilac-blue flowers, loved by bees. Grows easily in sun/part-shade to maximum height 30cm.</p>
		<p>Perennial Sweet Pea: <i>Lathyrus latifolius</i> A perennial version of well-known sweet pea with flowers that are scentless but beautiful shades of pink and white. Robust plant that will romp through shrubs and over fences; thrives in sunshine and rich soil.</p>



Sedum - Variegated

One of the taller sedums, max 30cm, with slightly lax habit, but beautiful pale-green foliage with thin creamy-white margin, topped by white flowers that blush pink in autumn. Easy to grow, prefers sunny site.

Sedum: 'Autumn Joy'

Remarkably good plant, that quickly makes a handsome clump of toothed, grey-green fleshy leaves, then graced by beautiful flowers in large flat heads of rich pink turning to coppery red. As name suggests, excellent for pairing with other autumn flowerers.

Verbena officinalis 'Bampton'

Vivid purplish-pink small flowers on short wiry branches with an upright growing habit make this a stunning addition to the border.

Violet

Nice little perennial with pretty leaves all year, flowering vigorously in spring; useful for ground cover under taller plants, in any soil, self-sows.

Wallflower 'Ivory White': *Erysimum cheiri*

Pretty variety with creamy pale yellow flowers in spring.



Water avens 'Leonard': *Geum rivale*

Clump-forming, up-right deciduous perennial with lobed, mid-green leaves and reddish-brown stems bearing nodding, bell-shaped, orange-flushed, copper-pink flowers from late spring into summer.