

Deer Resistant Plants

Deer resistance varies greatly from location to location, and what might be untouched in one site may be devoured in another. The lead doe in each herd eventually determines which plants are most palatable to her, and the herd faithfully follows her lead. As a result, “Deer Resistant” never means “Deer Proof”, as any number of us have found to our regret. Plants that have sap or fragrant foliage are often less likely to be eaten by deer. Buck rub is also a serious problem, and often Deer Resistant plants are susceptible to buck rub.

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Woody Ornamentals		
*Aesculus parviflora	Erica x darleyensis cvs	*Lindera benzoin
Buddleia cvs	*Asimina triloba cvs	Pieris japonica cvs
Buxus sp and cvs	*Betula nigra Heritage	*Rhus aromatica
Caryopteris cvs	Mahonia bealei and japonica	Thuja x ‘Green Giant’
*Illicium x Woodland Ruby	Microbiota decussata cvs	*Viburnum dentatum cvs
*Ilex opaca cvs	*Myrica pensylvanica	Vitex sp and cis
*Leucothoe sp and cvs	Osmanthus heterophyllus cvs	*Yucca sp and cvs
Herbaceous Plants		
Achillea sp and cvs	Chrysanthemum sp and cvs	Nepeta sp and cvs
Agastache sp and cvs	Epimedium sp and cvs	Ornamental Grasses (some native)
Allium sp and cvs	Ferns (some native)	Perovskia sp and cvs
*Amsonia hubrichtii	Helleborus sp and cvs	*Phlox subulata cvs
*Asclepias sp and cvs	Lavandula sp and cvs	*Pycnanthemum sp and cvs
Calamintha sp and cvs	*Monarda sp and cvs	*Solidago sp and cvs

