

Horticultural Points of Interest – September 2016

- **Dealing with Drought**

- Mulch Regularly
- Improve the Soil (where possible)
 - Add Peat Moss, Composted Pine Bark or Leaf Mold
- Add Irrigation or be prepared to water Regularly
 - Most Flowering Plants need around 1” of water weekly for best growth
 - Summer set a Record as the Driest ever
- Use Plant Material adapted to dry Conditions
 - May be only choice for some locations
- Water Evergreens deeply before the Ground freezes
 - Especially important for Broadleaf Evergreens

- **Plants that Adapt to Drought**

- Perennials

Yarrow	Achillea ssp	S
Artemisia ssp	Artemisia ssp	S
Blue Star	Amsonia Hubrectii	S to Psh
Milk Weed & Butterfly Weed	Asclepias ssp	S
White Wood Aster	Aster Divaricatus	Psh to Sh
Tartarian Aster	Aster Tartaricus	S to Psh
Pigsqueak	Begenia Ssp	Psh to Sh
Cornflower	Centaurea Montana	S
Globe Thistle	Echinops ssp	S
Coneflowers	Echinacea ssp	S
Epimedium	Epimedium x Rubrum; Epimedium Sulphureum	PSh
Sea Holly	Erygium ssp	S
Spurges	Euphorbia ssp	S to Sh
Ornamental Strawberry	Fragaria “Lipstick”; Fragaria “Pink Panda”, Fragaria “Ruby Red”	S to Psh
Hellebores	Helleborus ssp	Psh
False Sunflower	Heliopsis ssp	S
Steel City Coral Bells	Heuchera “Steel City” (most drought tolerant. Others with care)	Psh
Stinking Iris	Iris Foetidissimus	Psh to Sh
Roof Iris	Iris Tectorum	S to Psh
Lamium	Lamium Galebdolon; Lamium Maculatum	Psh to Sh
Liriope ssp	Liriope ssp	S to Psh
Rose Champion	Lychnis coronaria	S
Penstemon Ssp	Penstemon Digitalis; P. Barbaratus	S to Psh
Dwarf Solomon’s Seal	Polygonatum Humile	Psh to Sh
Sedums	Sedum ssp	S to Psh
Goldenrods	Solidago ssp	S

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- Shrubs

Glossy Abelia	Abelia x Grandiflora	S to Psh
Blue Mist Shrub	Caryopteris x Clandonensis	S to Psh
Aaronsbeard	Hypericum Calycinum	S to Sh
St. Johnswort	Hypericum Frondosum	S to Psh
Mountain Laurel	Kalmia Latifolia	S to Psh
Bush Clover	Lespedeza ssp	S
Oregon Grapeholly	Mahonia Aquifolium (some drought but not consistently dry)	S to Sh
Creeping Mahonia	Mahonia Repens	Psh
Bayberry	Myrica pensylvanica	S
Ninebark	Physocarpus Opulifolius	S to Psh
Firethorn	Pyracantha ssp	S
Rhododendron Ssp	Rhododendron Ssp	S to Psh
Beach Rose	Rosa Rugosa	S
Purple Flowered Raspberry	Rubus Odoratus	Psh
Five Stamen Tamarisk	Tamarisk ramosissima	S

- Trees

Greenstripe Maple	Acer Pensylvanicum	Psh to Sh
Eastern Redbud	Cercis Canadensis	S to Psh