



What's Blooming?

November/December

The Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Display Garden at Lakes Park

COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	TYPE
Blue Sage or 'Indigo Spires' Sage	<i>Salvia 'Indigo Spires'</i>	Full Sun	All of the common cultivars of garden sage make beautiful accents in borders and rock gardens. Sage often is grown in containers for ornamental and culinary use.	Short Life semi-woody scrub
Buddha Belly Plant	<i>Jatropha podagrica</i>	Sun and Part Sun. drought tolerant	Grown for its swollen belly. You will also sees flowers almost year round, more in the warmer months of the year. It is a butterfly attractant.	Perennial
Canna Lily 'Yellow King Humbert'	<i>Canna x generalis</i>	Sun and lots of water	Canna lilies are remarkably easy to grow. These are great flowers for a wet area. They will even grow in moderately polluted wetlands. Cannas look best in masses. Leaf rolling caterpillars can be devastating to the foliage, but are easily controlled.	perennial
Celosia	<i>Celosia argentea spicata</i>	Full Sun	The Spicata Group (often classified as a distinct species, <i>C. spicata</i>) includes cultivars with slender, cylindrical pink or rose flower heads which have a metallic sheen because the individual flowers are silvery-white at their bases.	Annual

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Cigar Plant or Cigar Flower	<i>Cuphea ignea</i>	Full sun. Tolerant of heat, drought and most pests.	Fast-growing & easy care shrub with yellow-tipped, mostly-red, tubular flowers used by butterflies and hummingbirds. Use as groundcover or border plant.	Shrub 1-3' high
Common or Yellow Allamanda	<i>Allamanda cathartica</i>	Part Sun	Compact shrub, easily held to three feet (90cm) in height and spread. Flowers are a bright, deep yellow.	Compact Shrub
Crown of Thorns	<i>Euphorbia milii</i>	Full or part Sun	Grows best in full sun or partial shade and no irrigation once established. Well-drained soils are essential to successfully grow this plant. Able to withstand adverse conditions, but it will not tolerate overwatering and over fertilization.	Shrub with thorns
Dwarf Bush Allamanda	<i>Allamanda schottii</i>	Prefers full sun and regular watering.	Vining climber with bell-shaped pink or yellow flowers. Leaves are glossy, large and lance-shaped.	Perennial vine
Dwarf Poinciana	<i>Caesalpinia pulcherrima</i>	Full sun-partial shade. Use in droughty soil.	8'-12' tall and wide with red & orange blossoms & fern-like leaves. Thorny stem & branches.	Evergreen shrub or small tree
Floss Silk Tree	<i>Chorisia speciosa</i>	Full Sun, well drained soil. Places protected from hurricane wind.	Large, showy, flowering tree with 5" long, mostly pink flowers & silk-filled seedpods once used to stuff cushions. Exotic looking tree for quickly creating tropical effect. Grows 3-5'. per year when young. Spiny green trunk. Flowers appear without leaves present.	Exotic, flowering specimen tree, deciduous in SW FL.
Flossflower	<i>Ageratum houstonianum</i>	Full Sun	Fluffy clusters of lavender-blue flowers grow on top of compact, neatly-formed plants. Ageratum's low maintenance flowers fall cleanly from the plant as they fade, and are replaced through the season.	Annual

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Golden or Glaucous Senna	<i>Senna surattensis</i>	Full Sun and drought tolerant. Needs hurricane wind protection.	A fast-growing, small, yellow-flowering shrub or tree. Best as small, (15' high) street or landscape tree in protected areas in side yards. Leaves are glaucous below. Flowers are 1-2" long in racemes of 5-15. Capable of flowering from Jan. to Dec. Fruit is 3-4" long legume pod.	Shrub or small tree
Knockout® Red Rose	<i>Rosa 'Radrazz' Knockout®</i>	At least 6 hours of full sun and continuous semi-moist soil conditions.	Easy care landscape rose from Conard-Pyle Co. (1997) Superior disease resistance. Looks best mass planted. Bright red blooms are on compact, 3-4' high canes. Single, sometimes double flowers. Medium growth habit, Space 3-4' apart.	Shrub rose for continuous bloom
Mexican Sunflower	<i>Tithonia diversifolia syn. w/ Tithonia rotundifolia)</i>	Full or part sun, drought & heat tolerant. Use on any soil. Easy to grow from seed.	Bright, continuous blooming shrub. Orange, sometimes scarlet daisy flower. Mistaken as tall zinnia (8-10' tall). Best suited for large landscapes & yards. Fast-growing. Use as property border or privacy screen. Flowers attract butterflies.	Tall-growing perennial or shrub in SW FL. Used as annual in other parts of Florida.
Necklace Pod	<i>Sophora tomentosa var. occidentalis</i>	South Florida native for sunny, open & scrubby areas, Salt and drought-tolerant.	Loose-growing shrub w/yellow pea-like flowers on long spikes on the branch tips, Butterfly and hummingbird attractant; blooming most of the year. Thicket-forming or sheer as hedge. Fast-growing.	Woody shrub growing 5-10 feet high; best used as a background plant.
Obedient Plant	<i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	Full to partial sun, moist to average conditions	Member of the mint family, white or lavender flower spikes. The flower has no sent, bumblebees are the most important pollinators of the flower.	Perennial grows 24-48" tall, blooms late summer into fall. Plant got its name because you can bend the individual flowers in any direction

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Pentas 'Butterfly Deep Pink'	<i>Pentas x 'Butterfly Deep Pink'</i>	Sun to part shade. Blooms best in full sun and light shade. Accent color for shrub beds.	Weather resistant, easy care, deep rose red cultivar, 1-2' high, blooms profusely. Butterfly garden plant or grouped in mass to create drifts of season-long Spring, Summer & Early Fall color along walks or community entranceways.	Perennial in SW Florida
Philippine Violet	<i>Baleria cristata</i>	Sun, Part Sun	The Philippine Violet is a good background or specimen plant but also looks nice when massed. It can be used for a hedge or border planting to create a wall effect in a garden or landscape.	herbaceous perennial
Red Button Ginger	<i>Costus woodsonii</i>	Sun to partial or light shade. Well-drained, moist soil.	Spiraled stems grow to approx. 4' tall, w/ bright red bracts w/ yellow flowers.	Tropical perennial
Thyrallis	<i>Galphimia gracilis</i>	Full sun or shade, well-drained drought and salt tolerant.	Medium sized evergreen shrub w/bright yellow flowers spring to fall. Very low maintenance. Occasionally needs pruned.	Evergreen shrub, 4-8' tall.
Ti Plant	<i>Cord line terminalis</i>	Medium shade to full sun but not dense shade. Wide range of soil.	Strong color accent plant, bright pink to fuchsia leaves give year round color. Prune once a year.	Vertical shaped shrub 3-5 feet tall, Trimming is the key to an attractive plant.
Yellow Walking Iris	<i>Neomarica longifolia</i>	Filtered morning sun or part shade. Well drained sandy soil. Cold hardy.	Fan-shaped upright perennial with bright green leaves and yellow flowers w/ brown spots. Individual flowers only last a day. New flowers constantly bloom in summer.	Perennial native wildflower standing 1-2 feet tall.