

## What's Blooming?

## January/February

## The Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Display Garden at Lakes Park

COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	TYPE
African Iris	Dietes iridioides	Well drained soil; light dappled shade to almost full sun	Leathery, sword shaped leaves less than 2" wide; spreads by creeping rhizomes. Short-lived irislike flowers in spring and summer.	Evergreen perennial; leaves to 2', flower stalks 2-4' tall.
Angel Trumpet	Brugmansia suaveolens	Does best in full sun with regular watering, but can survive droughts	All parts of the plant are considered poisonous. The flowers are approximately 12" long, shaped like trumpets; they range in color from white, yellow or pink	Small woody shrub or small tree 6' to 15' tall, many branches single trunk
Beach Sunflower	Helianthus debilis	native wildflower Grows abundantly in poor, well- drained & dry soil. Flowers in full sun.	Low-growing, vine-like growth habit. Stems hug the ground. Yellow "daisy-like" flowers. Flowers year-round in south Florida on beach dunes.	Herbaceous wildflower, re- seeds easily even when cut back.
Blue Daze	Evolvulus glomeratus	sandy loamy soil; full sun Established plants do not need moisture. Is subjected to fungus in summer if not well drained.	Dense creepers, finely twigged, rounded shrub gradually becoming a carpet like cover accented with sky blue, spring through summer flowers.	Evergreen perennial groundcover creates grey/green carpet-like cover.
Blue mistflower	Conoclinium coelestinum	Full to part sun. Moist well- draining soil.	Many dense, puffy heads of small, fuzzy lavender- blue flowers, blooms Summer and Fall.	A small annual 1'-2' ground cover in the Aster family and a good nectar plant for butterflies.

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Blue Sage or 'Indigo Spires' Sage	Salvia 'Indigo Spires'	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
Bromeliad	Billbergia pyramidalis	All around performers. Can be used for almost anything from ground covers to specimens, from pineapples to Spanish moss. Use as accents or mass plantings.	Many colors, often brilliant. Tropical flare, plus inflorescences last many months. Keep cups filled with water; flush every few day, use horticultural oil to kill mosquito larvae. Fertilize 1/4 strength monthly.	Many varieties.  Mature size can be few inches to several feet. Some are full sun, some shade only.
Coral Honeysuckle	Lonicera sempervirens	Native to Florida. Part shade to full sun, very drought tolerant. Train on wire fences or mail box.	Tubular, 2" orange-red flowers, growing in clusters at the end of branches. Flowers appear throughout the year. A yellow variety is rare, attracts butterflies and hummingbirds.	A showy evergreen vine that blooms heavily in the Spring
Crown of Thorns	Euphorbia milii	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
Fringed Hibiscus	Hibiscus schizopetalus	Full sun or shade planted under palms or pines. Prefers fertile, moist soil.	Slim, drooping branches, evergreen leaves; small fringed red flowers hanging on string-like peduncles.	Tropical shrub up to 12' in height.

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Gardenia	Gardenia jasminoides	Full sun. Keep moist. Acidic soil. Heavy feeders of 15-5- 10 three times a year.	White flowers, dark green foliage. Spring bloomer, sporadic blooms through summer. Evergreen. 12 ft. x 3 or 4 ft.	Evergreen, slow growing specimen plant or blended with foliage plants that are colorful in non-blooming months.
Gladiolus	Gladiolus x hortulanus	Well-drained, moist soil; Full sun.	Showy, one-sided flower spikes; each flower 2-4" across; many shades and colors. Summer bloom for about 4 weeks.	Bulbous perennial; 1-5' tall
Kalanchoe, Christmas Kalanchoe	Kalanchoe blossfeldiana	No direct sun, well-drained soil or organic soil	Showy, winter and spring bloomer to 1 foot tall. Available in pink, red, yellow, and salmon.	A branching succulent good for ground cover.
Kalanchoe, Air or Life Plant	Kalanchoe pinnata	fully shade, wide range of soil	Many plantlets along leaves; heavy flower stalk to 2 ft.	Succulent perennial, herbal uses.
Nasturtium	Tropaeolum majus	Full sun or light shade; light, sandy soils.	Many colors, including crimson, yellow, orange, scarlet, pink. All parts are edible and have a peppery taste. They stop flowering in the summer heat.	Annual/perennial vine. Some are small, bushy; others climbing or trailing.
Poinsettia	Euphorbia pulcherrima	Rich, well- drained soil. Full sun; partial shade.	Colorful bracts are modified leaves that change color in response to shortened daylight hours. Actual flowers are small, yellow.	Tropical evergreen, semi evergreen, or deciduous shrub, leggy to 10 feet or taller.
Rose	Rosa 'Don Juan'	Full sun; USDA zones 5-9; medium water	Large red flowers; climbing rose blooms spring - fall.	Shrub 8'-10' tall and 3'-6' wide.
Rose	Rosa 'White Pearl with Red Dragons Mouth'	USDA zones 7b to 10b	An antique China rose. Cerise to cherry red, with white streaks. Mild fragrance. Blooms in flushes throughout summer.	To 4 ft. Often wider than tall.

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Sunflower	Helianthus annuus	Fertile, moist, well-drained soil with heavy mulch.	Rough, hairy stem, broad, coarsely toothed rough leaves and circular heads of yellow flowers. Large types grow to 12 feet tall, but many garden cultivars are 4 to 5 feet tall.	Short lived annual plant native to the Americas.
Tampa Verbena	Glandularia tampensis	variety of soils; Full sun to part sun;	May to November blooms attracts butterflies;.	Native, perennial ground cover and trailing herb.
Variegated Shell Ginger	Alpinia zerumbet cv. 'Variegata'	Rich, well- drained soil; part sun to part shade.	Showy leaves; flowers are ivory colored	Perennial; 4-8' tall; 3-4' across
Zinnia	Zinnia elegans	Well soil, full sun	Showy multi-colored flowers	Annual to four feet.