



What's Blooming?

July/August 2012

The Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Display Garden at Terry Park

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| Beach Sunflower | <i>Helianthus debilis</i> | 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. |
| Beautyberry; American beautyberry | <i>Callicarpa americana</i> | Native; Part sun to full shade; well draining soil; Tolerant of drought and cold weather, | A colorful plant when in flower or fruit; one of the best ways to attract birds, which love the fruit; butterflies are attracted to the flowers. Flowers are small, clustered pale purple, appearing in spring and summer; fruit is small, round, bright purple fruits clustered along the stems and lasting throughout the year. | Beautyberry is a deciduous shrub; the shrub has an open multi-stemmed form with arching stems; |
| Blue Daze | <i>Evolvulus glomeratus</i> | 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. |
| Crossvine | <i>Bignonia caprelata</i> | Florida native; Full sun; drought tolerant; wide range of soil | Flowering deciduous vine; orange/red trumpet flowers in Spring; grows 30' Attracts hummingbirds. | Fast growing high-climbing vine. Can take over its surroundings. |

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| Desert Rose | <i>Adenium obesum</i> | Full sun; needs excellent drainage, does not tolerate temperatures below 59°F | Flowers range from deep purplish red to pink and white; bottle shaped trunks. | Perennial succulent shrub up to 5' tall |
| Dwarf Poinciana | <i>Caesalpinia pulcherrima</i> | Full sun-partial shade. Use in well draining soil; drought tolerant. | 8'-12' tall and wide with red & orange blossoms & fern-like leaves. Thorny stem & branches. | Evergreen shrub or small tree |
| Firebush | <i>Hamelia patens</i> | Native to Florida, coastal, landscapes or disturbed soil. Sun or shade, dry or moist places. | Bushy, tall-growing shrub or tree w/ flowers that are reddish orange. Leaves are dark green and young stems appear red. Cold sensitive. | 10' or higher, evergreen shrub |
| Frangipani | <i>Plumeria stenophylla</i> | Full sun to partial shade. Fertile, well-drained soil, neutral pH | Scented flowers, blooms from late spring to early winter; moderate drought tolerance, Deciduous | Small to medium size tropical tree. |
| Frangipani | <i>Plumeria var. Dwarf Singapore</i> | Popular tropical street tree. Also grows well in a container, Full sun and dry sandy soil. | Gorgeous tropical tree with intensely fragrant flowers. Used in leis. Numerous varieties and wide range of colors. Bloom clusters appear at the terminal tips of branches. This particular one is white with yellow eyes. | If kept warm and in bright light will remain evergreen, grows 3'-10' |
| Giant Milkweed | <i>Calotropis gigantean</i> | full sun, drought tolerant, and wide range of well-draining soil | Medium sized to large shrub; all parts of the plant contain milky latex; lilac colored flowers are found arranged in an inflorescence, which is an umbellate cyme. Summer blooming, Dried seeds dispersal is by wind. | Upright evergreen, herbaceous shrub/tree Ht. 12-16'. |
| Ixora Maui | <i>Ixora coccinea</i> | Full sun to partial shade, well-drained acidic soil; blooms Spring to Winter. | Flowering shrub with large red blossoms. A prolific bloomer used as hedges and foundation shrubs. | Woody tropical shrub growing 4-8 feet tall. |

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| Jujube | <i>Ziziphus zizyphus</i> | Full sun; drought tolerant, wide range of soil | Small deciduous tree or shrub; Flowers are small inconspicuous yellowish-green; edible fruit; best fruit set and flavor in hot summer; thorns on young branch growth | Elegant small tree to 20'x20' with gray bark and shiny, dainty foliage that gives a great autumn display of butter yellow. |
| Pentas | <i>Pentas lanceolata</i> | Prefers fertile and well-drained soils that retain water. Once established, is drought tolerant. | Clustered umbels of red star-shaped, five-petaled red flowers on upright or mounding plants, 3' high. Blooms in shade or full sun. Butterfly attractant. | Perennial, sometimes sprawling, low growing shrub |
| Perennial Peanut | <i>Arachis glabrata Benth.</i> | Good ground cover for well-drained soil in a sunny area; drought tolerant | Grows 6" tall bears yellow flowers during late spring, summer and fall. It is in the peanut family, thus it makes its own nitrogen. | Flowering ground cover; turf replacement |
| Periwinkle | <i>Vinca rosea</i> | Full sun to shade; wide soil range, ground cover and border plantings | Flowers with range of flower colors: white, pink & purple. Heat and drought tolerant, water only during drought. | 1-2' tall, annual bedding plant. Prolific self-seeder. |
| Plumbago | <i>Plumbago auriculata</i> | Grows best in full sun on well-drained soil. Many uses. Low border hedge | Flowers grow in blue or white clusters, Flowers bloom most of the year. Drought-tolerant blue varieties have stronger blooming stems. | Evergreen woody shrub, Height 3'-5' with a spread 3'-4' |
| Scarlet Milkweed | <i>Asclepias curassavica</i> | Sun or part shade. Butterfly-attracting plant found in sandy fields, damp meadows and garden soils. | Named for its milky sap, with bunches of orange, yellow, and red tubular flowers. Nectar source for bees and other insects and a larval food for the monarch butterfly. | A herbaceous perennial growing 2'-3' ft. high. Reseeds freely and blooms all year. |
| Scorpion Tail | <i>Heliotropium angiospermum</i> | Florida native. Wet property borders or canal banks, rain gardens & disturbed soil. | Tiny, white flowers with 5 petals, paired and that appear only on one side of a curved terminal spike, | Shrub-like herb, short-lived, self-sowing in sun or shade |

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| Silk-floss Tree | <i>Ceiba speciosa</i> | Drought tolerant, Deciduous from November-March | rounded canopy adorned with thousands of large, starchy, fleshy, pink flowers on leafless branches. After flowering the tree remains leafless until March | Fast growing tree 45'x45' covered with stout spines, but those on the trunk may disappear with age. |
| Society Garlic | <i>Tulbaghia violacea</i> | .Full sun, cold and drought tolerant; used in irrigated landscapes. | Low growing, clumping herb spreading by rhizomes. Lavender spike flowers bloom year round. Garlic smell to foliage. | Perennial herb used as groundcover or border, 1-2' tall |
| Texas Sage | <i>Leucophyllum frutescens</i> | Full sun, drought tolerant, evergreen, wide range of soil. | Slow growing shrub with lavender flowers; flowers in Summer; Height 5'; silver-green foliage | Slow growing shrub used as hedge, or flowering shrub |
| Yellow or Common Lantana | <i>Lantana camara</i> | Grows profusely in a variety of soils, full sun. Invasive | Dense flat top flower clusters with white to yellow, pink to rose, and orange to red, flower colors as they age. | Fast growing tropical shrub that can grow to 6' high and spread to over 8' wide. |
| Yellowtop | <i>Flaveria linearis</i> | Native to Florida, partial shade in landscapes and open coastal areas. | Short, compact plants with narrow leaves and bunches of golden yellow flowers. Attracts butterflies seeking nectar. | Perennial wildflower, 2-3' tall with stiff, erect stems |