



What's Blooming?

January/February

The Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Display Garden at Terry Park

COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	TYPE
African Blue Basil	<i>Ocimum kilimandscharicum</i> x <i>Basilicum</i> 'Dark Opal'	Thrives in hot, dry weather, full sun, and fertile soil.	Leaves start out purple and when young growing green as they mature, even then retaining purple veins. Strong camphor scent. It is a sterile hybrid of two other breeds of basil, unable to produce seeds of its own, and is propagated by cuttings.	One of a few types of basil that is perennial.
Aloe Vera	<i>Aloe Vera barbadensis</i>	Full sun or shady situations; tolerates most soil types; salt tolerant	Rosette succulent, spike-edged or smooth leaves; usually mottled. flowers are showy spikes of tubular blossoms in tones of red, orange, or yellow produced during warm months.	Succulent perennial,
Blanket Flower	<i>Gaillardia pulchella</i>	Well-drained soils staying wet or dry. Open meadows or sidewalk borders.	Brightly-colored wildflower w/ red & golden-tipped, ray flower petals. Flower exhibits variation in color. Spread by crumbling dry seed heads on soil in new garden areas.	Herb-like perennial, groundcover and native wildflower
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.

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Brazilian Blue Buttonbush or Martinique Batchelor's Button	<i>Centratherum intermedium</i>	Full sun, part sun	Lavender-blue thistle like flowers blooms fall, not frost tolerant. Oval, serrated foliage has pineapple fragrance. New stems are covered with hairs. Easy to grow, pest-free. Tends to self-seed.	Perennial flowering groundcover
Bromeliad	<i>Billbergia pyramidalis</i>	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 Bean Tree or Cherokee Bean	<i>Erythrina herbacea</i>	Well-drained sandy soil; full sun to light shade	High salt and drought tolerance; typically flowers in spring and again in winter after losing its leaves. Florets are slender, tubular, coral to deep red; attracts hummingbirds; seeds are poisonous.	Evergreen perennial; leaves to 2', flower stalks 2-4' tall.
Coral Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	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
Fairy Fan-flower or Common Fan-flower	<i>Scaevola aemula</i>	Tender annual. Tolerates sandy soil and salty soil. Full sun/dappled shade.	Will bloom all year in frost free areas. Blue, yellow, lilac blooms. Sprawling habit.	One half to 1.5 ft. tall. Non-native, would be invasive.
Jatropha	<i>Jatropha integerrima</i>	Grow in wide range of soils and in full sun or partial shade.	Small, red flowers accent dark green leaves all year-round. Leaves have varying leaf-shapes from oblong to fiddle-shaped. Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies.	Large, tall-growing shrub to 15'. Prune to develop structure

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Lion's Tail or Lion's Ear	<i>Leonotis leonurus</i>	Sun to part shade, fertile soil with medium moisture.	Large whorls of showy orange flowers with green fringe like lion's ears or end of lion's tail. Blooms fall and winter. Coarse leaves. Spreads through seeds. Possible humming bird attractant.	Perennial 3'-7' tall, semi-evergreen shrub.
Mexican Flame Vine	<i>Pseudogynoxys chenopodioides</i>	Full sun or shade. Tolerant of soil variations.	Flowers are daisy like vivid orange, deepening to red-orange in clusters. Blooms in Spring and Summer. Once plant is established it thrives with little attention.	Perennial, evergreen, self-supporting vine, 15'-20'x3'-5'.
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-petal red flowers on upright or mounding plants, 3' high. Blooms in shade or full sun. Butterfly attractant.	Perennial, sometimes sprawling, low growing shrub
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'
Purple Lantana	<i>Lantana montevidensis</i>	Well-drained acidic soil, full sun to promote blooming.	Fast growing ground cover. Purple flower; blooms spring thru fall.	Perennial trailing, vine-like shrub, non-invasive. 4 feet wide and 6 inches tall.
Rose	<i>Rosa 'Marie Van Houtte'</i>	Zones 7-9; sunny location.	Vigorous, repeat blooming tea rose produces abundant cup shaded double blossoms.	Spreading upright bush, having strong sweet tea scent.
Rose	<i>Rosa 'Prosperity'</i>	Full sun to partial shade. Can be trained to climb. Acidic to mildly acidic soil.	Fragrant white continuous blooms late spring to early fall.	6-10 ft. x 3-6 ft. shrub
Starry Rosinweed	<i>Silphium asteriscus</i>	Full sun, drought tolerant	Yellow blooms, blooms year round, Grows 2-3 feet. Leaves have sand paper texture.	Perennial, reseeds

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Tropical Salvia	<i>Salvia coccinea</i>	Open woods, rain gardens or landscapes. Self-seeds on infertile dry or moist soils.	Spikes of small tubular, red flowers (sometimes pink) aromatic leaves, re-seeds easily in shady places. Dead-heading keeps it bushy. Butterfly attractant.	Native perennial herb and wildflower
Wild Coffee	<i>Psychotria nervosa Sw.</i>	Rich, well-drained soil; part sun to part shade.	Excellent native for shaded areas. Berries provide an excellent source of food for birds.	Evergreen perennial shrub 6'-7'.
Yellow Alder	<i>Turnera ulmifolia</i>	Full sun to partial shade, most soils.	Year-round yellow-flowering evergreen shrub. Requires pruning for neat appearance. Attracts butterflies.	3' tall evergreen shrub. Self-seeds each year.
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 the age.	Fast growing tropical shrub that can grow to 6' high and spread to over 8' wide.
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.