

## Deer Proof Plants

As our area's population increases and predators are eliminated, the local black-tail deer are increasing in numbers. Their natural food supply in turn is dwindling. It would be very typical for the deer to turn to what is available in the neighboring gardens. Short of building a 6-8' solid or wire fence to keep the deer out, you can use the option of planting trees and shrubs that are distasteful to them. But don't forget that a starving animal will eat almost anything after their favorites are gone!

Following is a list of plants that are fairly deer proof :

### Trees

Abies  
Acer circinatum  
Acer negundo  
Acer palmatum  
Aeculus  
Albizzia julibrissin  
Araucaria  
Cedrus  
Cercis occidentalis  
Chamaerops humilis  
Fig (Ficus)  
Gingko biloba  
Juglans-walnut  
Liquidamber  
Magnolia  
Picea  
Pinus  
Pseudotsuga menziesii  
Quercus  
Rhus  
Robinia pseudocacia  
Sequoiadendron  
Sorbus aucuparia  
Thuja plicata  
Trachycarpus fortunei

### Shrubs

Abelia  
Arbutus  
Aronia arbutifolia  
Bamboo  
Berberis  
Buddleia  
Buxus  
Calluna  
Calycanthus  
Ceanothus  
Chaenomeles  
Choisya ternata  
Cistus  
Clematis  
Corokia  
Cotinus coggygria  
Daphne  
Eleagnus  
Fatsia japonica  
Feijoa  
Ilex  
Juniperus  
Kerria  
Kolkwitzia  
Mahonia  
Myrica californica  
Nandina domestica  
Rhododendron  
Ribes

### Shrubs (cont)

Sarcococca  
Wisteria  
Pieris  
Potentilla  
Pyracantha

### Annual Flowers

Ageratum  
Celosia  
Centaurea  
Chrysanthemum  
Cosmos  
California poppy  
Dahlia  
Dusty Miller  
Euryops  
Felicia  
Heliachrysum  
Impatiens  
Limonium  
Lobelia  
Lobularia  
Mimulus  
Myosotis (forget-me-nots)  
Salvia  
Sanvitalia  
Verbena  
Wallflower

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## Deer Proof Plants (continued)

### Perennials/Bulbs

Acanthus mollis  
Achillea  
Agapanthus  
Anemone  
Artemesia  
Centaurea  
Centranthus  
Cerastium tomentosum  
Chrysanthemum  
Coreopsis  
Crococsmia  
Crocus  
Dahlia  
Dicentra  
Digitalis  
Epimedium  
Erigeron  
Erodium  
Erysimum  
Euphorbia  
Frittilaria imperialis  
Galium odoratum  
Gunnera  
Helleborus  
Hemerocallis  
Iberis  
Iris

Ixia  
Kniphofia (Hot Poker)  
Lavendula  
Lobelia cardinalis  
Lupinus  
Lychnis  
Monarda  
Muscari  
Myosotis  
Narcissus  
Nepeta  
Oregano  
Papaver orientale  
Plumbago  
Raoulia australis  
Rudbeckia  
Salvia  
Santolina  
Scabiosa  
Scilla  
Silene  
Sisyrinchium  
Stachys  
Teucrium  
Tradescantia  
Trillium

### Groundcovers

Ajuga  
Arctostaphylos  
Fragaria  
Hedera helix  
Hypericum calycinum  
Gaultheria  
Lithodora diffusa  
Sagina  
Thymus  
Veronica  
Vinca

### Ornamental Grasses

Acorus  
Carex  
Cortaderia  
Erianthus  
Festuca  
Hakonechloa  
Helictotrichon  
Imperata  
Juncus  
Liriope  
Miscanthus  
Pennisetum

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