

SUGGESTED PLANTINGS

- 1 Fernspray Hinoki Falsecypress
- 4 Mardi Gras Abelias
- 1 Fragrant Tea Olive
- 1 Switchgrass
- 3 Red Twig Dogwoods
- 1 Creeping Jenny

Several Grape Hyacinths

- 3 Japanese Pieris Flaming Silver
- 1 False Holly
- 1 Jim Dandy Winterberry
- 7 Red Sprite Winterberries
- 3 Japanese Cedars Black Dragon
- 1 Paperbark Maple
- 1 Harry Lauder's Walking Stick
- 1 Conoy Viburnum

FURTHER RESOURCES & WORKS CITED

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WINTER INTEREST GARDENING

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Winter Interest Gardening

WHAT IS A WINTER INTEREST GARDEN?

A winter interest garden is one that utilizes different winter hardy plants to create a pleasurable space through the season. This can mean focusing on different elements of plants.

Diversity in your winter garden can make it a unique, wondrous experience using:

- Bark
- Berries, Fruits, & Cones
- ◆ Foliage
- Ornamental Grasses

GROWING PLANTS IN THE WINTERTIME

There are several reasons to grow plants in the wintertime. Not only do winter interest plants add color, fragrance, and uniqueness to your garden, they all can



help prevent soil erosion.
Some winter interest plants naturalize and multiply on their own, while many require little maintenance for the enhancing beauty they provide.

POSSIBLE PROBLEMS IN YOUR WINTER LANDSCAPE

- Ice and Snow can cause broken and bent tree limbs. Use a broom to remove snow by brushing it off in an upward direction. Leave ice because trying to remove can break the branches in their weakened state.
- Leaf Scorch occurs because water cannot get to the leaves when the ground is frozen. The leaves look drooped and brown, i.e.: scorched. The



tricky part is damage occurs in the winter but symptoms appear in the spring. Leaf scorch occurs in the winter when the weather is dry, windy, and warm while the ground is frozen.

PREVENTION TACTICS

- Select plants that are hardy in your zone.
- Protect plants from winter winds.
- Create wind barriers.
- Maintain adequate soil moisture in the fall.
- Look for winter damage in the spring and remove affected areas of the plant.

WINTER INTEREST PLANTS

Bulbs

- ♦ Chionodoxa Glory of the Snow
- ♦ Franthus Winter aconite
- ♦ Galantus snow drops

Perennials

- ♦ Helleborous
- ♦ Primrose

Shrubs

- ♦ Holly Species
- ♦ Red & Yellow Twig Dogwood
- ♦ Rockspray cotoneaster

Trees

- ♦ Crape Myrtle Lagerstrolmia indica
- ♦ Japanese stewartia

