

# Plants for Shade

Shrubs that will bloom in shade:

Camellia (takes more drought than rhodys)  
Daphnes: Daphne odora, D. mezereum (will take drought)  
Enkianthus sp. (needs water)  
Fuchsia – species fuchsias like F. magellanica (little water)  
Hydrangea macrophylla and other hydrangeas (need water)  
Mahonia sp. – all the Oregon grapes (take drought)  
Osmanthus – all types can take dry or nearly dry shade  
Pieris japonica – lily of the valley shrub  
Sarcococca – all species take dry shade  
Viburnum, various – V. carleesii  
Vaccinium sp. Huckleberries

Herbaceous perennials for DRY SHADE sites (part shade, not full sun)

Anemone japonica – Japanese anemone  
Campanula – many esp. c. lactiflora  
Dicentra sp. – bleeding heart (disappears in late summer)  
Epimedium – Bishop's hat – probably the best for dry shade, spring bloom  
Geranium oxonianum 'Claridge Druse' – hardy geranium  
Hellebores – all – will take full shade  
Iris foetidissima – Gladwin iris (red berries in fall)  
Lamium – all, but they are invasive  
Liriope gigantea – seldom used, good in this area  
Tiarella cordifolia – foamflower  
Any spring bulb that is dormant by the summer dry season ...scilla, small narcissus, trillium, muscari, chionodoxa

Annuals for Shady Gardens – all for part shade

Ageratum  
Bellis perennis (English Daisy)  
Iberis umbellata – annual candytuft  
Begonia, various  
Browallia americana – amethyst flower  
Coleus – all (the up and coming annual!)  
Impatiens, of course

Nicotiana glauca 'Grandiflora'  
Torenia sp. – wishbone flower

Useful references: Schenk, George *The Complete Shade Gardener*, revised 1996.  
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