

Erosion Control Plants for the Lake Tahoe Basin

Shade Tolerant - Ground Covers



Aegopodium podagraria (bishop's weed): adapted, 1'-2' height, medium water needs, variegated spreading groundcover, good for mass planting, can be invasive, plant in contained beds



Ajuga reptans (bugleweed): adapted, 6" height, spreading, drought tolerant, medium water needs, tolerates deep shade, fast growing



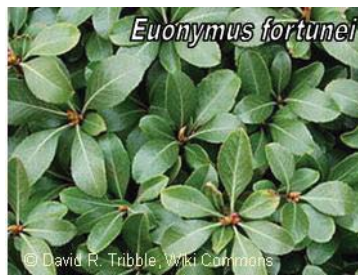
Alchemilla mollis (lady's mantle): adapted, 2' height, medium water needs, spreading, chartreuse flowers bloom early to mid summer, easy to grow, reseeds



Asarum canadense (Canadian wild ginger): adapted, 6" height, part shade to shade, medium water needs, attracts butterflies, aromatic



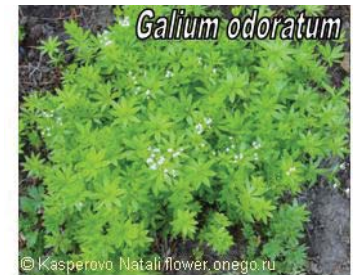
Dryopteris hybrids (wood ferns): adapted and native, 3'-4' height, medium water needs, clumping, tolerates deep shade



Euonymus fortunei 'Coloratus' (purple wintercreeper): adapted, 6"-9" height, sun to shade, moderate water needs, drought tolerant, spreading, climbing and cascading, do not over water, evergreen, red foliage in fall, requires little care, many cultivars available



Fragaria virginiana (mountain strawberry): native, 6"-1' height, medium water needs, spreading, rapid growth, white flowers in spring, groundcover, easy to transplant



Galium odoratum (sweet woodruff): adapted, 6" height, spreading, tolerates deep shade, medium to high water needs, white blooms, easy to grow and divide



Hakonechloa macra (Japanese forest grass): adapted, 1-1 1/2' height, medium water needs, slow growth

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Hosta hybrids (hosta): adapted, 1'-5' height, clumping, medium to high water needs, tolerates deep shade, plants form a sturdy mound of foliage topped with lily-like blooms



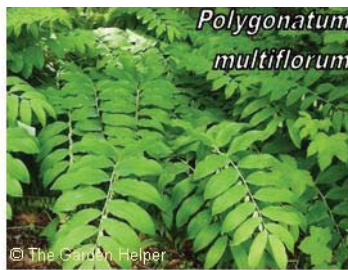
Lamium hybrids (dead nettles): adapted, 6"-2' height, needs ample water, spreading and clumping varieties, fast grower, tolerates deep shade, drought tolerant, variegated varieties



Lysimachia nummularia (creeping jenny): adapted, 4"-8" height, medium water needs, spreading, fast growing, spills over walls, summer bloomer



Mahonia repens (creeping mahonia): adapted, 1'-2' height, minimal water needs, bronze colored in winter, spreading, slow growing, evergreen, yellow flowers in spring



Polygonatum multiflorum (Solomon's seal): native, 3' height, medium water needs, spreading, can be divided in spring

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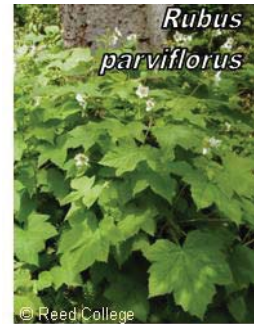
Polystichum munitum (western swordfern): native, 2'-4' height, medium to high water needs, clumping



Pulmonaria saccharata (lungwort): adapted, 1' height, clumping, tolerates deep shade



Ranunculus repens (creeping buttercup): adapted, 1' height, high water needs, slow growing



Rubus parviflorus (thimbleberry): native, 2'-4' height, medium to high water needs, spreading ground cover, berries attract birds, cut to ground to create bushier growth



Smilacina racemosa (false Solomon's seal): native, 2'-3' height, part shade to shade, medium water needs

Note: Depending on site specific conditions, cultural practices, and individual seed or plant vigor; plant establishment, needs and care may vary. This is not a complete list.

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