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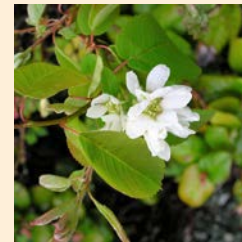
## Trees



Flowering cherries,  
*Prunus spp.*



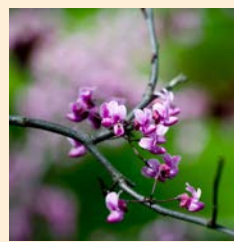
Crabapple, *Malus spp.*



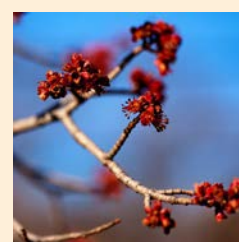
Serviceberries,  
*Amelanchier spp.*



Cornelian cherry  
dogwood,  
*Cornus mas*



Redbud, *Cercis  
canadensis spp.*



Red maple,  
*Acer rubrum*



## Shrubs/Vines



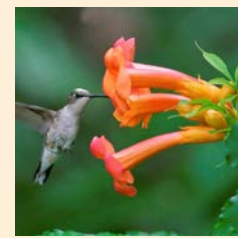
Blackberries,  
*Rubus spp.*



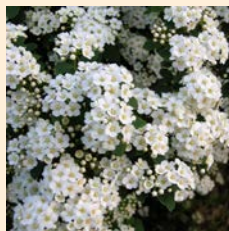
Crossvine,  
*Bignonia capreolata*



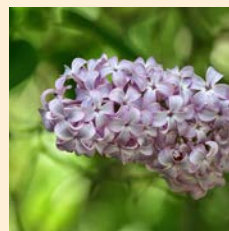
Hollies, *Ilex spp.*



Trumpet honeysuckle,  
*Lonicera sempervirens*



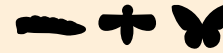
Spirea 'Vanhouette',  
*Spiraea x vanhouettei*



Lilacs, *Syringa spp.*



Spicebush,  
*Lindera benzoin*



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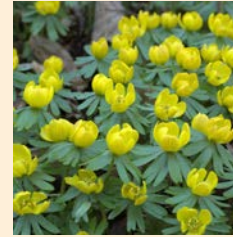
## Bulbs



Crocus, *Crocus* spp.



Snowdrops, *Galanthus* spp.



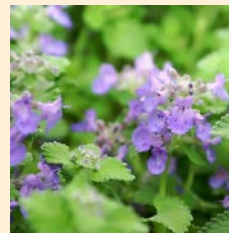
Winter aconite, *Eranthis hyemalis*



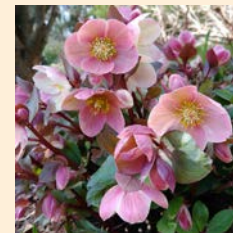
## Perennials



Baptisia, *Baptisia* spp.



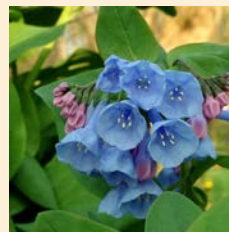
Catmint, *Nepeta racemosa*



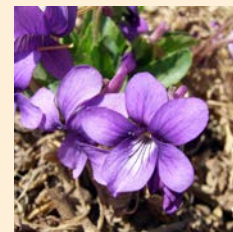
Hellebores, *Helleborus* spp.



Lungwort, *Pulmonaria* spp.



Virginia bluebells, *Mertensia virginica*



Violets, *Viola* spp.



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