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21st century specifications for contemporary landscape plants

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Welcome to Spec21 version 2 revision 2 of Spec21 the guide – the 21st century specification for contemporary landscape plants.

Spec21 the guide is a comprehensive list of commercially available proven landscape varieties which will create a dependable structure for a professional approach to sustainable landscapes. The aim is to offer a core palette that offers a practical, best value and reliable planting solution to the majority of designs challenges.

- Detailed data will ensure– accurate plant selection and specification for designers and specifiers.
- Contractors – clear guidelines on quality of supply
- Planners – precisely set out sizes and specifications for compliance
- Procurement and enforcement – precise and clear data for cots comparison and compliance
- Students – the most comprehensive, practical industry manual to commercial soft landscape plants

Spec21 the guide is uniquely a live data base of plants which will be regularly reviewed and updated. New plant sections and groups will be added as well as additions to varieties, and characteristics based feedback and requirements of Spec21 the guide subscribers.

Spec21 represents a quality standard for best value, efficient and sustainable landscape plantings. The essential tool for professional soft landscapes

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Planting for biodiversity

A 21st century approach to plants for bio-diversity from a leading award winning nursery based in East Anglia

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Plant selection

A green landscape has a great beneficial calming effect on the urban landscape and encourages an appreciation of plants and the benefits they bring to the environment. The r t p range for bio-diversity has been carefully selected for the additional elements they can offer. For example:

Shaded sections - often neglected areas brought to life with plants for shade

Native and wildlife planting - creating natural habitats and food for wildlife and insects

Evergreen shrubs and groundcover plants - year round foliage and textures as well as winter shelter

Hedges, screens and barriers - nesting and wildlife habitats as well as creating secure areas

The immediate impact and maturity of a newly installed planting is dependant on the size of the plants. We would recommend a minimum of 2 or 3 litre containers to ensure a good rate of establishment but for immediate impact 5 and 10 litres are more suitable. If there are budget constraints or site challenges, early dialogue with the grower can result in practical and effective solutions.

The r t p range of species suitable for bio-diversity and sustainable developments have been defined under the following categories to

BRE Environmental & Sustainability Standard

Native - as defined by the Natural History Museum Postcode Plants Database

Bio-diversity - those plant species contributing to a local or UK Biodiversity Action Plan

Excluded as unsuitable

Potentially harmful species- we would advise caution with any species appearing on the RHS harmful to humans database.

What you will receive from robin tacchi plants : sustainably grown well rooted, robust, healthy plants. Pest, disease and weed free. All r t p plants have vine weevil protection, reduced peat compost and 12-14 months of slow release fertiliser to aid establishment and ensure successful plantings.

We welcome active involvement in planting projects in all sectors, particularly educational and community.

Environment - robin tacchi plants production is carried out strictly in accordance with our Company Environmental Policy and to BS8555

Environmental Management Standard and towards ISO 14001. All plants are to Spec21 specification.

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Sections included in your complimentary copy of Spec21 the guide revision 2

1. climbers
2. ferns
3. grasses
4. groundcover
5. perennials
6. shrubs

KEY POINTS

Growing season – extends from March to September – some plants need the whole growing season to reach specification others, only part of it. To ensure your plants are grown for you the start material has to be sourced and the plants potted by mid June at the latest.

Size – whilst size does matter, it is not the primary attribute of a vigorous, strong, healthy landscape plant. The number of breaks that make up the structure of the plant will dictate the mature size and shape. Better to have a smaller bushy plant than a tall straggly one.

Pot – a mature plant will established and perform much more reliably than a smaller immature and vulnerable plant. Landscape plants in pot sizes under 2L, unless for a specific environment, often turn out to be false economy are best left to mature in the nursery. Please contact robin tacchi plants for a sample pot pack of sizes from 9cm to 10L

Palette – the guide is not intended to restrict the design palette, the guide will provide the core planting structure with proven contemporary varieties. We recommend entering into dialogue with the professional growers when specifying more unusual varieties.

For in – depth information on specifying landscape plants www.plantingthefuture on line training

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technical data

Specification, pot size and densities guide	per variety	Y	Spaced on growing beds - maximum plants per square metre		Y
Expert plant advise available		Y	Pruned and trimmed x 2 as a minimum according to variety requirements		Y
Varieties trialed and selected for required performance		Y	Fully shaped with maximum breaks per variety - mininum breaks as per specification guide		Y
Sustainable environmentally managed production methods		Y	Growing area well drained for optimum root for development		Y
In-house propagation	per variety		Exposed to full air movement increasing hardiness and toughness, decreasing deseases		Y
Starter material provenance		Y	Supplementary feed to boost growth as required		Y
Starter material fully structured and trimmed		Y	Weed free		Y
Pot size minimum 2L		Y	Environmentally friendly P & D management		Y
Reduced peat compost up to 40% min 25-35%	per variety		Incorporation of natural predator regime where possible		Y
Nutrient - Osmocote12-14M controlled release fertiliser		Y	DEFRA & ADAS inspected		Y
Grey water irrigation max 30 mg l-l nitrate		Y	Empty pots retrieved from site to be re-used as per our terms and conditions		Y
2 years ofVine weevil protection incoparated in compost		Y	Maintenance guidance		Y
Timed potting for delivery period (to ensure the plant is energetic and responsive on site)		Y	Certification of authentic materials and growing methods		Y
Contract Grow' advance procurement		Y	Spec21 speciation data applies to stock grown on r t p nurseries		
Optimum plants per square metre growing area		Y	Key21 speciation data covers traded stock from approved suppliers		

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How a plant climbs is as important to its use. For example having adventitious roots as in Parthenocissus and Hedera means they are self clinging and no support is necessary whilst Trachelospermum, Clematis and Lonicera develop by twining through supports. Although hardiness, best soil type and speed of growth apply to climbers as much as any other plant the aspect must be considered and there are climbers for all aspects, north, south east or west. It is important to have clear specifications for climbing plants, particularly where there is a 'cross-over' of plant uses such as Hedera suitable for both climbers and groundcover. The grower needs to know from the outset if a climber is required and whether it is a simple caned climber or a more complex framed and trained plant. The relationship between the pot size and the required plant height is important. Standard canes are 90cm, 1.2m, 1.5m and 1.8m. Frames are usually 1.2m to 1.5m.

Badly specified and poor quality shrub material results in higher losses and a significant increase in the time and cost achieving a mature planting. If there are budget constraints, we recommend contact with the grower for practical and effect solutions.

AGM denotes the Royal Horticultural Society's 'Award of Garden Merit'

Potentially harmful: refers to harmful to humans further information from RHS

What to look for : fresh foliage (in season) well furnished from the base and with good occupation of the frame or cane. Pest, disease and weed free plants with vine weevil control incorporated in the compost. 12-14 months controlled release fertiliser to aid establishment and ensure the plant has the best possible start.

Substitutions: . Alternative plants, do, at times, have to be considered. The reasons can be realistic commercial availability, horticultural and quality concerns and the time of year of installation. We recommend entering into dialogue with the grower to get the best advice and expertise to meet your design aspirations and delivery requirements.



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climbers for walls

Picking the right climbing plant for a wall, whether to emphasise some key architectural highlight or to enhance an otherwise uninspiring building.

Growing conditions next to the wall can be very different; the soil may not be quite the same as elsewhere and it is often drier due to rain shadow. The micro-clime effect can sometimes make the site warm and sheltered enough to allow use of the real "stars" of the climbing plants – including Passiflora and Trachelospermum.

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climbers	Spec21 size - cm	Spec21 pot size - Litre	Spec21 Specification - breaks(branches) should be in the lower third. Either frame or cane must be specified - Frames are normally 120 by 60 cm	E- evergreen SE - semi-evergreen	Frost hardy/ fully hardy	Mature size - metres	Growth rate	Flowers- month	Flower colour	Autumn colour	Native	Bio diversity	Aspect	Soil preference	Sun/semi shade/full shade preference	Very dry conditions	Very wet conditions	Exposed site	Coastal conditions	Potentially harmful
Akebia quinata	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		frost	7-8	Fast	4-5	maroon			Bio	S&W	M	○●					
Akebia quinata	120-150	10L	Min. 4 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		frost	7-8	Fast	4-5	maroon			Bio	S&W	M	○●					
Campsis varieties	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		frost	6-7	Medium	8-10	yellow-pearl			Bio	S&W	M	○					
Campsis varieties	120+	10L	Min. 4 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		frost	6-7	Medium	8-10	yellow-pearl			Bio	S&W	M	○					
Clematis varieties - height will depend on varieties and time of year of supply due to pruning regime.																				
Clematis varieties (details dependant on variety)	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	2-10	Med/Fast					Bio		M	○●●					
Clematis varieties (details dependant on variety)	120-150	10L	Min. 4 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	2-10	Med/Fast					Bio		M	○●●					
Hedera Algeriensis 'Gloire de Marengo'	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera Algeriensis 'Gloire de Marengo'	100-150	10L	Min. 4 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera Algeriensis 'Ravensholst'	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned	E	fully	3+	Fast					Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera Algeriensis 'Ravensholst'	120-150	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane	E	fully	3+	Fast					Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera colchica 'Denata Variegata'	60-80	3L	Several shoots, caned	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera colchica 'Denata Variegata'	80-100	5L	Several shoots, frame or cane	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera colchica 'Sulphur Heart'	60-80	3L	Several shoots, caned	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera colchica 'Sulphur Heart'	100-120	10L	Several shoots, frame or cane	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera helix 'Gold Child'	60-80	3L	Several shoots, caned	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera helix 'Green Ripple'	60-80	3L	Several shoots, caned	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hedera helix 'Sagittifolia'	60-80	3L	Several shoots, caned	E	fully	3+						Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Hydrangea anomala petiolaris	40-60	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	3-4	Slow	6-7	white			Bio	N&W&E	M	●●					
Hydrangea anomala petiolaris	90-120	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	3-4	Slow	6-7	white			Bio	N&W&E	M	●●					
Hydrangea anomala petiolaris	100-125	15L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	3-4	Slow	6-7	white			Bio	N&W&E	M	●●					
Jasminum nudiflorum	40-60	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned	SE	fully	4	Medium	11-3	yellow			Bio	S&W&N	M	○●●					
Jasminum nudiflorum	80-100	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane	SE	fully	4	Medium	11-3	yellow			Bio	S&W&N	M	○●●					

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Design layers (mature height) : GC = 20-30cm 1st = 30-60cm 2nd = 60-90cm 3rd = 90-150cm 4th = 150cm+ F = Feature plant
Extremes : Particular varieties will tolerate certain extreme conditions where indicated once established on site
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Jasminum officinale	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	4	Fast	6-9	white			Bio	S&W	M	○●					
Jasminum officinale	100-120	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	4	Fast	6-9	white			Bio	S&W	M	○●					
Lonicera japonica 'Halliana'	60-80	2L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned	SE	fully	4	Fast	6-10	white			Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Lonicera japonica 'Halliana'	90-120	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane	SE	fully	4	Fast	6-10	white			Bio	ALL	M	○●●					!
Lonicera periclymenum 'Belgica'	60-80	2L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	4	Medium	5-6	rose		Nat	Bio	ALL	M	○●					!
Lonicera periclymenum 'Belgica'	90-120	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	4	Medium	5-6	rose		Nat	Bio	ALL	M	○●					!
Lonicera periclymenum 'Graham Thomas'	60-80	2L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	4	Medium	6-8	cream			Bio	S&W&E	M	○●					!
Lonicera periclymenum 'Graham Thomas'	90-120	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	4	Medium	6-8	cream			Bio	S&W&E	M	○●					!
Lonicera periclymenum 'Serotina'	60-80	2L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	4	Medium	7-9	rose			Bio	S&W&E	M	○●					!
Lonicera periclymenum 'Serotina'	100-120	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	4	Medium	7-9	rose			Bio	S&W&E	M	○●					!
Parthenocissus henryana	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	5	Fast				✓	Bio	N&W&E	M	●●					
Parthenocissus henryana	100-150	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	5	Fast				✓	Bio	N&W&E	M	●●					
Parthenocissus quinquefolia	40-60	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	7	Fast				✓	Bio	ALL	M	○●●					
Parthenocissus quinquefolia	90-120+	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	7	Fast				✓	Bio	ALL	M	○●●					
Parthenocissus tricuspidata 'Veitchii'	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	7	Fast				✓	Bio	ALL	M	○●●					
Parthenocissus tricuspidata 'Veitchii'	100-150	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	7	Fast				✓	Bio	ALL	M	○●●					
Passiflora caerulea	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		frost	4	Medium	6-9	white/purple			Bio	S&W	M	○					
Passiflora caerulea	90-120	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		frost	4	Medium	6-9	white/purple			Bio	S&W	M	○					
Solanum crispin 'Glasnevin'	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		frost	4	Medium	7-10	blue			Bio	S&W	M	○					
Solanum crispin 'Glasnevin'	100-150	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		frost	4	Medium	7-10	blue			Bio	S&W	M	○					
Trachelospernum jasminoides	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned	E	frost	2	Medium	7-8	white			Bio	S&W	M	○●					
Trachelospernum jasminoides	90-120	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane	E	frost	2	Medium	7-8	white			Bio	S&W	M	○●					
Wisteria sinensis varieties	60-80	3L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - caned		fully	6+	Fast	5 on	mauve/white			Bio	S&W	M	○					!
Wisteria sinensis varieties	120-150	10L	Min. 3 main breaks several shoots - frame or cane		fully	6+	Fast	5 on	mauve/white			Bio	S&W	M	○					!

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ferns

When we think of ferns we think of moist wooded settings. While there are many ferns for the shades from moist areas, to drier hillsides, many ferns can withstand full sun if sufficient moisture is available.. The best specification for ferns is a 2 litre pot, or for a specimen size 5 litre pots.

This because, whilst the root system needs to be able to develop into a dense healthy crown, too much pot space can result in water logging and rotting. Ferns in smaller pots are best left in the care of growers to more mature (unless specifically required for a specialist project) . If a larger specimen ferns are required in a 5 litre pot, they should be pre-ordered with the grower to ensure availability.

If there are budget constraints, we recommend contact with the grower for practical and effect solutions.

Ferns should be mulched with care to ensure the crown is not buried too deep.

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What to look for : Full pot, and an established crown. A healthy central crown, moist but not wet compost . Pest, disease and weed free plants with vine weevil control incorporated in the compost. 12-14 months of slow release fertiliser to aid establishment and ensure the plant has the best possible start.



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Incorporating hardy ferns into designs 11 reasons why

1. variety of frond shapes , colours and textures
2. lush fresh green foliage
3. mass planting
4. individual feature planting
5. low maintenance
6. adaptability to many soil types
7. adaptability to many conditions
8. can give a naturalistic planting effect
9. beautiful woodland understory
10. native varieties

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most ferns prefer moist lime free soil																		
Asplenium scolopendrium - see Phyllitis scolopendrium																		
Blechnum spicant AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	6-7	E	fully	0.5	Medium	Hard Fern		1st	AC	●●	Dry				
Blechnum spicant AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.5	Medium	Hard Fern		1st	AC	●●	Dry				
Dryopteris afinis		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6	SE	fully	1	Slow	Wood Fern/Buckler Fern	Native	2nd	Most	●●					
Dryopteris afinis		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	SE	fully	1	Slow	Wood Fern/Buckler Fern	Native	2nd	Most	●●					
Dryopteris filix-mas AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6		fully	1	Medium	Wood Fern/Male Fern	Native	2nd	Most	●●	Dry				
Dryopteris filix-mas AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4		fully	1	Medium	Wood Fern/Male Fern	Native	2nd	Most	●●	Dry				
Dryopteris wallichiana		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6	SE	frost	0.9+	Medium	Wallick's Wood Fern		2nd	Most	●●					
Dryopteris wallichiana		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	SE	frost	0.9+	Medium	Wallick's Wood Fern		2nd	Most	●●					
Matteuccia struthiopteris AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6		fully	1+	Medium	Ostrich Fern		1st-2nd	N - AC	●●	Wet				
Matteuccia struthiopteris AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4		fully	1+	Medium	Ostrich Fern		1st-2nd	N - AC	●●	Wet				
Osmunda regalis AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6		fully	1+	Medium	Royal Fern		2nd-3rd	AC	○●	Wet				
Osmunda regalis AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4		fully	1+	Medium	Royal Fern		2nd-3rd	AC	○●	Wet				
Phyllitis scolopendrium		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	6-7	E	fully	0.5 to 0.7	Medium	Hart's Tongue Fern	Native	1st-2nd	Well drained	●●	Dry				
Phyllitis scolopendrium		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.5 to 0.7	Medium	Hart's Tongue Fern	Native	1st-2nd	Well drained	●●	Dry				
Polystichum polyblepharum		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6	E	fully	0.5+	Slow	Tassel or Brittle Fern		1st-2nd	Most	●●					
Polystichum polyblepharum		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.5+	Slow	Tassel or Brittle Fern		1st-2nd	Most	●●					
Polystichum setiferum AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6	E	fully	0.6+	Medium	Soft Shield Fern	Native	1st-2nd	Most	●●	Dry				
Polystichum setiferum AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.6+	Medium	Soft Shield Fern	Native	1st-2nd	Most	●●	Dry				
Polystichum setiferum 'Herrenhausen'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6	E	fully	0.5	Medium	Soft Shield Fern		1st-2nd	Most	●●					
Polystichum setiferum 'Herrenhausen'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.5	Medium	Soft Shield Fern		1st-2nd	Most	●●					
Polystichum setiferum 'Plumosa-densum'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	6-7	E	fully	0.25	Medium	Soft Shield Fern		GC-1st	Most	●					
Polystichum setiferum 'Plumosa-densum'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.25	Medium	Soft Shield Fern		GC-1st	Most	●					
Polystichum setiferum 'Proliferum'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	5-6	E	fully	0.5	Medium	Soft Shield Fern		1st-2nd	Most	●					
Polystichum setiferum 'Proliferum'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.5	Medium	Soft Shield Fern		1st-2nd	Most	●					
Polypodium vulgare		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	6-7	E	fully	0.25	Medium	Common Polypody	Native	GC-1st	Most	○●					
Polypodium vulgare		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.25	Medium	Common Polypody	Native	GC-1st	Most	○●					

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grasses

Ornamental grasses are categorised as:

'Cool season' - plants for a good spring effect— e.g. *Millium*, *Festuca* and *Carex pendula*

'Warm season' - these come into growth later and are at their peak towards autumn—e.g.

Miscanthus, *Panicum* and *Pennisetum*

The three defined groups are:

'Grasses' - stems are round and hollow. The leaves spring from the base and on stems.

'Sedges'—stems are solid and in four sections. The leaves spring from the base and on stems are

'Rushes'—stems are flat and cylindrical. The leaves arrive from the base.

Ornamental grasses are increasingly being used in design schemes although they are still an under used group that can bring many exceptional qualities to the design. Their colour, flower plumes and graceful movement can transform a static planting and flower heads may offer winter interest. There are grasses for all situations and soil types.

The choice of 2 or 3 litre container depends on the horticultural requirements of each variety. Some benefit from the extra peat content and space in a 3 litre pot whilst others thrive in the smaller 2 litre, forming tight dense root clumps ready for planting out. It is advisable to allow at least a further growing season for 5 litre plants and large quantities should be ordered in advance. If there are budget constraints, we recommend contact with the grower for practical and effect solutions.

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Incorporating ornamental grasses into designs - reasons why

1. low maintenance
2. largely unaffected by disease and pests
3. variety of size and form
4. speed of growth and vigour
5. useful in a wide range of soil types
6. wide range of design uses
7. add movement to plantings
8. many provide winter interest
9. can provide quick effective screening
10. mix well with perennials
11. many varieties are drought tolerant, once established
12. provides a habitat and seed for birds and other wildlife
13. many have an upright form with a narrower width than most shrubs
14. improve soil condition and fertility;
15. Use to hide dying foliage or blooms of earlier blooming perennials
16. can be used as transition plants between landscaped and natural areas



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What to look for: dense healthy clump Pest, disease and weed free plants with vine weevil control incorporated in the compost. 12-14 months of slow release fertiliser to aid establishment and ensure the plant has the best start.

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Anementhele lessoniana (Stipa arundinacea)	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 5 canes	5-6	SE	fully	0.8	Medium	4 to 12	8 to 10			1st - 2nd	✓	M	M WD	○◐					
Anementhele lessoniana (Stipa arundinacea)	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 9 canes	4	SE	fully	0.8	Medium	4 to 12	8 to 10			1st - 2nd	✓	M	M WD	○◐					
Calamagrostis x acutiflora 'Karl Foerster'	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3-4		fully	1.2	Fast	7 to 9	7 to 9			1st - 3rd	✓	M		○					
Calamagrostis x acutiflora 'Karl Foerster'	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	2		fully	1.2	Fast	7 to 9	7 to 9			1st - 3rd	✓	M		○					
Carex flagellifera 'Milk Chocolate'	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	4-5	E	frost-full	0.5	Medium	5 to 12	7 to 9			1st	✓	M		○					
Carex flagellifera 'Milk Chocolate'	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3	E	frost-full	0.5	Medium	5 to 12	7 to 9			1st	✓	M		○					
Carex morrowii 'Fisher's Form'	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	5-6	E	fully	0.3 -0.5	Medium	5 to 10	4 to 5			GC - 1st	✓	M	M	○●●		W			
Carex morrowii 'Fisher's Form'	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3	E	fully	0.3 -0.5	Medium	5 to 10	4 to 5			GC - 1st	✓	M	M	○●●		W			
Carex muskingumensis	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	4-5	SE	fully	0.6	Med-slow	4 to 10	6 to 8	Nat		1st - 2nd	✓	M	M	○			W		
Carex oshimensis 'Evergold'	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	5-7	E	fully	.25	Medium	5 to 11	5 to 6			GC	✓	M	WD	○◐			W		
Carex oshimensis 'Evergold'	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	.25	Medium	5 to 11	5 to 6			GC	✓	M	WD	○◐					
Carex pendula	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	5-7	E	fully	1.2	Fast	5 to 7	5 to 7			2nd - 3rd		M	M	○●●			W		
Carex pendula	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	4	E	fully	1.2	Fast	5 to 7	5 to 7			2nd - 3rd		M	M	○●●			W		
Carex pendula	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3	E	fully	1.2	Fast	5 to 7	5 to 7			2nd - 3rd		M	M	○●●			W		
Carex testacea	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	4-5	E	fully	0.4	Medium	5 to 1	6 to 7			GC - 1st	✓	M	M	○					
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Deschampsia ces. 'Bronzeschleier'	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	4-5	E	fully	1.2	Medium	5 to 8	5 to 8	Nat		3rd	✓	M	M	○◐			E		
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Deschampsia ces. 'Goldschleier'	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	4-5	E	fully	1	Medium	5 to 8	5 to 8	Nat		3rd	✓	M	M	○◐			E		
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Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue' (Note - short lived)	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	6-7	E	fully	0.3	Medium	4 to 7				GC - 1st		M	WD	○			D	E	
Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue' (Note - short lived)	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	4	E	fully	0.3	Medium	4 to 7				GC - 1st		M	WD	○			D	E	
Hakonechloa macra 'Albostriata'	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	5-6	E	fully	0.4	Slow	6 to 12	8 to 9			GC - 1st	✓	M	M WD	○◐					
Hakonechloa macra 'Albostriata'	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.4	Slow	6 to 12	8 to 9			GC - 1st	✓	M	M WD	○◐					

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Helictotrichon sempervirens AGM	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	1	Medium	4 to 10	5 to 7			2nd - 3rd	✓	M		○◐	D		E		
Imperata cylindrica 'Red Baron'	2l	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	5-6	E	frost-full	0.5	Slow	5 to 9				1st	✓	M	M WD	○					
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Luzula sylvatica	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3-4	E	fully	0.6	Fast	5 to 6	5 to 6	Nat	Bio	GC - 1st		N-AC	MWD	○●●					
Miscanthus sinensis 'Ferne Osten' AGM	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 4 canes	3-4		fully	1.6	Medium	8 to 12	8 to 10			3rd - 4th	✓	M	WD	○◐					
Miscanthus sinensis 'Ferne Osten' AGM	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 8 canes	2-3		fully	1.6	Medium	8 to 12	8 to 10			3rd - 4th	✓	M	WD	○◐					
Miscanthus sinensis 'Gracillimus'	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 4 canes	3-4		fully	2	Medium	7 to 11	10 to 11			3rd - 4th	✓	M	WD	○◐					
Miscanthus sinensis 'Morning Light' AGM	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 4 canes	4-5		fully	1.6	Medium	6 to 12	9 to 10			3rd - 4th	✓	M	WD	○◐			E		
Miscanthus sinensis 'Morning Light' AGM	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 8 canes	3		fully	1.6	Medium	6 to 12	9 to 10			3rd - 4th	✓	M	WD	○◐			E		
Miscanthus sinensis 'Silberfeder' AGM	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 4 canes	5		fully	2.2	Fast	7 to 12	8 to 10			3rd - 4th		M	WD	○◐					
Miscanthus sinensis 'Silberfeder' AGM	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 8 canes	3		fully	2.2	Fast	7 to 12	8 to 10			3rd - 4th		M	WD	○◐					
Miscanthus sinensis 'Zebrinus' AGM	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 4 canes	5		fully	2	Medium	6 to 12	9 to 10			2nd - 3rd		M	WD	○◐					
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Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Niger' AGM	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	6-8	E	fully	.25	Slow	4 to 11	6 to 8			GC	✓	M	M WD	○●●					
Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Niger' AGM	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, 2 healthy clumps	4-5	E	fully	.25	Slow	4 to 11	6 to 8			GC	✓	M	M WD	○●●					
Panicum virgatum 'Heavy Metal'	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3-4		fully	1.3	Medium	8 to 11	8 to 9			3rd	✓	M	M WD	○					
Panicum virgatum 'Heavy Metal'	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	2-3		fully	1.3	Medium	8 to 11	8 to 9			3rd	✓	M	M WD	○					
Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Hameln'	3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	4-5	SE	fully	0.9	Medium	7 to 11	4 to 9			3rd - 4th	✓	M	WD	○◐			E		
Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Hameln'	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy clump	3	SE	fully	0.9	Medium	7 to 11	4 to 9			3rd - 4th	✓	M	WD	○◐			E		
Stipa arundinacea - see Anementhele lessoniana																					
Stipa tenuissima	2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot system, min 5 canes	5-7	E	fully	0.6	Fast	5 to 10	5 to 8			1st - 2nd	✓	M	WD	○	D				
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groundcover

These varieties have been selected for their dense, low growing mat or mound forming habit. Dense mats of groundcover offer a practical alternative to hard landscaped areas where the eye line needs to be clear. Planted areas provide potential solutions to poor surface drainage as well as creating a habitat and providing a natural ecosystem for wildlife. Well specified and good quality ground cover should form a dense low maintenance mat within one growing season.

Using evergreen shrubs will provide a year round cover and they can also be under planted with bulbs for added season interest. It is also worth considering groundcover perennials such as Pratia that can bring colour interest as well as dense carpet such as Leptonella. Low growing grasses such as Carex morriwii 'Evergold' planted on mass can provide dramatic visual effect.

As with all container grown landscape plants a minimum of a 2 litre container is recommended to ensure that the plant is strong and mature enough to survive the rigours of a newly planted landscape site and which will quickly establish to provide a good cover within a season. Anything smaller, unless for a specialist planting such as green walls or roofs, runs the risk of being too immature to establish well and once mulch has been applied can get buried. Hederas particularly suffer from over mulching. Young plants with only 1 or 2 breaks are not suited to a landscape environment and are unlikely to form an effective mat.

Poor quality groundcover material results in higher losses, is unlikely to form a good dense carpet within a season and will require more maintenance. If there are budget constraints, we recommend contact with the grower for practical and effective solutions.

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What to look for: fresh foliage, no old leggy growth. For shrubs, the number of breaks creating a sound basic structure with plenty of potential growth. A plant that is in proportion to the pot. With grasses, perennials and ferns good, dense, healthy crowns with no rotting. Pest, disease and weed free plants with vine weevil control incorporated in the compost. 12-14 months of slow release fertiliser to aid establishment and ensure the plant the best start.

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Ajuga reptans 'Catlins Giant' AGM		2L		Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6	E	Peren	fully	.2 max	Fast	3-5	blue	Nat		M	○●●					
Berberis thunbergii 'Green Carpet'	20-30 dia	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5		Shrub	fully	.6-.9	Medium	5			Bio	M - AC	○●					
Calluna vulgaris	15-20 dia	2L		Bushy, multi breaks	8	E	Shrub	fully	0.5	Slow	7-11	purp-pink	Nat	Bio	M to AC	○		W	E		
Carex oshimensis 'Evergold'		2L		Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy clump	5	E	Grass	fully	to 0.5	Slow					M	○●					
Cotoneaster dammeri AGM	25-30dia	2L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	0.3 max	Medium	6	white		Bio	M & CH	○●●	D		E	C	
(Oakwood)	20-30dia	2L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	0.3 max	Medium	6	cream		Bio	M	○●●	D		E		
Cotoneaster salicifolia 'Gnom'	30 dia	2L		Branched, min 4 breaks	3-4	E	Shrub	fully	0.2 max	Medium	6	white		Bio	M	○●●	D		E	C	
Cotoneaster saphyr R Green	30-40 dia	2L		Branched, min 5 breaks	3-4	E	Shrub	fully	0.4-0.6	Fast	6	white		Bio	M	○●●			E	C	
section)		2L		Full pot	5-7		Peren	fully	0.3-0.9	Slow	4-5				M	○●●					
Erica carnea varieties	10-15 dia	2L		Bushy	5-6	E	Shrub	fully	.5 max	Medium	11-4	white-purp		Bio	M-AC	○●			E		
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald & Gold'	15-20 dia	2L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	6-8	E	Shrub	fully	0.5 max	Medium					M & CH	○●●			E	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald & Gold'	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	0.5 max	Medium					M & CH	○●●			E	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald Gaiety'	15-20 dia	2L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	6-8	E	Shrub	fully	0.5 max	Medium					M & CH	○●●	D			C	!
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald Gaiety'	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	0.5 max	Medium					M & CH	○●●	D			C	!
Euonymus fortunei 'Dart's Blanket'	15-20 dia	2L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	6-8	E	Shrub	fully	0.5	Med/Fast					M	○●					!
Euonymus fortunei 'Dart's Blanket'	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	0.5	Med/Fast					M	○●					!
Euonymus fortunei 'Dart's Blanket'	30-40dia	5L		Bushy min 9 breaks	2-3	E	Shrub	fully	0.5	Med/Fast					M	○●					!
Fragaria x ananassa 'Pink Panda' AGM		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-7	SE	Peren	fully	0.2-0.5	Fast	5-11	pink		Bio	M	○●					
Geranium Brookside (longer flowering than 'Johnsons Blue')		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		Peren	fully	0.5 max	Fast	5-9	blue		Bio	M	○●					
Geranium cant. 'Biokovo'		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		Peren	fully	0.3	Fast	5-7	pink		Bio	M	○●					
Geranium x oxonianum 'Wargrave Pink'		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		Peren	fully	0.5	Fast	5-7	pink		Bio	M	○●					
Geranium macrorrhizum		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	Peren	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	5-7	pink		Bio	M	○●●					
Geranium macrorrhizum 'Spessart'		2L		Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6	SE	Peren	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	5-7	white		Bio	M	○●●					
Geranium renardii AGM		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	Peren	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	4-7	white&purple		Bio	M	○●●					
Geranium rivers. 'Mavis Simpson' AGM		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	Peren	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	5-9	pink		Bio	M	○●					
Geraniumx riversleaianum 'Russell Pritchard' AGM		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	Peren	fully	0.5 max	Medium	5-9	magenta		Bio	M	○●					
Geranium 'Rozanne'		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	3-4		Peren	fully	0.6 max	Fast	5-10	blue		Bio	M	○					

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Hedera helix 'Green Ripple'	20-30dia	2L		Branched min 5 breaks	5-6	E	Climber	fully	0.5	Medium			Nat	Bio	M	○●●					
Hedera helix 'Ivalace'	20-30dia	2L		Branched min 5 breaks	3-4	E	Climber	fully	0.5	Medium			Nat	Bio	M	○●●					
Hedera helix 'Sagittifolia'	20-30dia	2L		Branched min 5 breaks	3-4	E	Climber	fully	0.5	Medium			Nat	Bio	M	○●●					
Hedera hibernica	20-30dia	2L		Branched min 3 breaks	3-4	E	Climber	fully	0.5	Fast				Bio	M	○●●				E	
Hemerocallis 'Stella d'Or' (clump forming)		2L		Full pot, fully rooted pot system, healthy c	5	SE	Peren	fully	.4	Medium	6-9	gold			M	○●					
Juniperus communis 'Repanda' AGM	20-30dia	3L		Branched min 3 breaks	3	E	Conifer	fully	.2-1	Medium			Nat		M	○					
Leptinella squalida 'Platts Black'		2L		Full pot, fully rooted system, healthy crow	5-7		Peren	fully	0.1 max	Medium		yellow			M	○●●					
Liriope muscari AGM (clump forming)		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-7		Peren	fully	0.3 to 0.4	Slow	8-11	mauve			M	○●					
Lonicera nitida 'Maigrun'	20-25dia	2L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4	E	Shrub	fully	0.6 to 0.9	Fast					M	○●●				E	
Lonicera nitida 'Maigrun'	25-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4	E	Shrub	fully	0.5	Fast					M	○●●				E	
Lonicera nitida 'Loughall Evergreen"	20-25dia	2L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4	E	Shrub	fully	0.5	Fast					M	○●●				E	
Lonicera nitida 'Loughall Evergreen"	25-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4	E	Shrub	fully	0.5	Fast					M	○●●				E	
Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Niger' AGM		2L		Full pot, fully rooted pot , healthy clump	6-8	E	Grass	fully	.25	Slow	6-8				M	○●●					
Pachysandra terminalis 'Green Carpet'	15-20 dia	2L		Full pot	5-6	E	Shrub	fully	0.5 max	Medium					M	●●	W	E			
Pachysandra terminalis	15-20 dia	2L		Full pot	5-6	E	Shrub	fully	0.5 max	Medium					M	●●	D	W	E	C	
Persicaria affinis 'Darjeeling Red' AGM		2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	Peren	fully	0.3	Medium	7-10	pink/red		Bio	M	○●					!
Pratia pedunculata	10-15 dia	2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-7	E	Peren	frost	0.2 max	Medium	6-10	blue			M	○●●					
Pratia pedunculata 'Country Park'	10-15 dia	2L		Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-7	E	Peren	frost	0.2 max	Medium	6-10	blue			M	○●●					
Rosa 'Snow Carpet' not recommended poor long term performer																					
Rubus pantalobus 'Green Carpet'	25-30 dia	2L		Full pot , min 5 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	0.3 max	Med/Fast	6-7	white		Bio	M	○●●					
Santolina chamaecyparissus	15-20	2L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	.5 max	Medium	6-7	yellow			M	○	D	W	E	C	
Santolina rosmarinifolia (virens)	15-20	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	.5 max	Medium	6-7	yellow			M	○	D	W	E	C	
Sarcococca hookeriana var humilis	20-30	2L		Bushy, min 6-7 breaks	5-6	E	Shrub	fully	.5 max	Slow	1-3	white		Bio	M & CH	○●●	W				
Stachys byzantine 'Silver Carpet'	15-20 dia	2L		Full pot, fully rooted	6	E	Peren	fully	0.2 max	Fast					M	○					
Vinca major	25-30 dia	2L		Full pot, min 5 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	0.4 max	Fast	3-5	blue			M	○●●					
Vinca minor 'Grunner Teppich'	25-30 dia	2L		Full pot, min 5 breaks	4-5	E	Shrub	fully	0.3 max	Medium	3-5	blue			M	○●●					
Vinca minor 'Gertrude Jekyll'	40-50 dia	2L		Full pot, min 7 breaks	3-4	E	Shrub	fully	0.5 max	Fast	5				M	○●●					
Waldsteinia ternata		2L		Full pot, fully rooted	5-7	E	Peren	fully	0.2 max	Medium	5	yellow			M	○●●					

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Perennials bring seasonal colour and interest to plantings. Many attract insects and butterflies and help create bio-diverse ecological environments. When using perennials it is important to consider the expectations of the immediate impact of a design and the time of year of installation. In an exposed environment, more delicate perennials may require a season's growth in situ to minimise potential winter losses.

The 2 litre container is a good size for hardy perennials as they establish quickly; they will rapidly fill a 2 litre pot in one growing season and form a dense healthy crown. If a larger perennial is required they can be grown in 3 and 5 litre pots under controlled conditions if the grower is given enough time.

A perennial in a smaller pot is best left on the nursery to become more mature (unless specifically required for a specialist project such as green walls or roofs). An immature perennial is unlikely to be strong enough to perform well on a landscape site and may well struggle against stronger plants and careless mulching. If there are budget constraints, we recommend contact with the grower for practical and effective solutions.

Mulch for perennials should be chosen and applied with care. As a general rule, the crowns must not be buried.

AGM denotes the Royal Horticultural Society's 'Award of Garden Merit'

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What to look for: full pot and healthy crown with fresh foliage in season. When dormant, the crown should look and feel healthy. Pest, disease and weed free plants with vine weevil control incorporated in the compost. 12-14 months of controlled release fertiliser to aid establishment and give the plant the best possible start.

Substitutions: Alternative plants, do, at times, have to be considered. The reasons can be realistic commercial availability, horticultural and quality concerns and the time of year of installation. We recommend entering into dialogue with the grower to get the best advice and expertise to meet your design aspirations and delivery requirements. plants for inclusion in the next revision.



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Robin Tacchi comments ' I have noticed that we are seeing more 1 litre perennials being specified in the current economic climate. Whilst some varieties might be vigorous enough to survive on site, it is always worth using a stronger more reliable 2 litre plant and if necessary, cut down on the planting density

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Acanthus hungaricus		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	3-4	SE	frost	1 to 1.5	Medium	6-8	mauve			3rd	N	○◐	D				
Acanthus spinosus AGM		3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	4-5		frost	0.9 to 1.2	Medium	7-9	mauve			2nd-3rd	N	○	D				
Acanthus spinosus AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	3		frost	0.9 to 1.2	Medium	7-9	mauve			2nd-3rd	N	○	D				
Achillea varieties		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5		fully	to 1	Med/Fast	6-8	all shades	Nat	Bio	1st - 2nd	M	○					
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Agapanthus 'Dr Brouwer'		3L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	4-5	SE	frost	to 1	Medium	7-9	blue			2nd	M	○					
Agapanthus 'Dr Brouwer'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	2-3	SE	frost	to 1	Medium	7-9	blue			2nd	M	○					
Agapanthus 'Headbourne hybrids'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6		frost	to 1	Medium	7-9	blue			2nd	M	○					
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Ajuga reptans 'Catlins Giant' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.3 max	Fast	4-5	blue	Nat		GC	M	○●●					
Alchemilla mollis AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.5 max	Fast	6-9	yellow-green		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Alchemilla mollis AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	2-3		fully	0.5 max	Fast	6-9	yellow-green		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Anemone huphensis var.japonica		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.6 to 1	Medium	8-10	pink		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○◐					
Anemone huphensis var.japonica		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	3-4		fully	0.6 to 1	Medium	8-10	pink		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○◐	D				
Anemone hybrida 'Honorine Jobert'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.6 to 1.2	Medium	8-10	white		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○◐	D				
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Artemisia 'Powis Castle'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	4-5		fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	non	non			1st - 2nd	M	○	D				
Aster x frikartii 'Monch' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.6 to 0.9	Medium	8-9	blue		Bio	2nd	M	○					
Bergenia 'Abendglut'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.5	Medium	4-5	magenta		Bio	GC	M	○●●	D W				
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Bergenia 'Bressingham White' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.5	Medium	4-5	white		Bio	GC	M	○●●	D W				
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Bergenia cordifolia 'Purpurea' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.5	Medium	4-5	pink		Bio	GC		○●●	D W				
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Brunnera microphylla		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.6 to 0.9	Medium	4-5	blue			GC-2nd		○●●	D				
Campanula glomerata 'Superba' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.3 to 0.6	Fast	6-8	violet	Nat	Bio	1st-2nd		○◐					
Campanula persicifolia		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.8	Fast	5-7	blue		Bio	1st-2nd		○◐					
Campanula poscharskyana 'Blue Waterfall'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	0.4	Fast	5-9	mid blue		Bio	GC		○◐					
Centranthus ruber		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6			0.6 to 1	Fast	5-7	pink/red		Bio	1st-2nd		○	D				

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Crambe cordifolia AGM		3L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	1-2			2	Fast	5-7	white		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○					
Crococsmia 'Carmin Brilliant" AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-8			0.7 to 1	Fast	7-8	red			2nd	M	○					
Crococsmia 'Carmin Brilliant" AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	4-6			0.7 to 1	Fast	7-8	red			2nd	M	○					
Crococsmia 'George Davidson'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-8			0.5 to 1.2	Fast	8-9	yellow			2nd-3rd	M	○					
Crococsmia 'George Davidson'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	4-6			0.5 to 1.2	Fast	8-9	yellow			2nd-3rd	M	○					
Crococsmia 'Lucifer' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6			1 to 1.5	Fast	7-8	red			2nd-5th	M	○					
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Dianella ' Little Rev'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.5 max	Medium	7	violet			GC-1	N/AC	○◐	D				
Digitalis purpurea (tend to be biennial)		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-6	SE	fully	1 to 2	Fast	6-7	violet/pink	Bio		3rd-4th	M	○◐◑				!	
Digitalis purpurea 'Alba' (tend to be biennial)		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-6	SE	fully	1 to 2	Fast	6-7	white	Bio		3rd-4th	M	○◐◑				!	
Echinacea purpurea		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	1 to 1.5	Medium	7-9	magenta	Bio		2nd-3rd	M	○					
Echinacea purpurea 'White Swan'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	1 to 1.5	Medium	7-9	white/pink	Bio		2nd-3rd	M	○					
Echinops bannaticus 'Taplow Blue' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		fully	1.5	Medium	7-9	blue	Bio		2nd-3rd	M	○					
Epimedium per. 'Frohnleiten'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-8	SE	fully	0.2 to 0.3	Slow	4-5	yellow			GC	Moist	○◐◑					
Epimedium per. 'Frohnleiten'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	0.2 to 0.3	Slow	4-5	yellow			GC	Moist	○◐◑					
Epimedium rubrum AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-8	SE	fully	0.2 to 0.5	Slow	4-5	red			GC	Moist	○◐◑					
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Epimedium x youngianum 'Niveum' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-8	SE	fully	0.2 to 0.5	Medium	4-5	white			GC	Moist	○◐◑					
Epimedium x youngianum 'Niveum' AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	0.2 to 0.5	Medium	4-5	white			GC	Moist	○◐◑					
Eupatorium maculatum 'Atropurpureum'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	3		fully	2.5	Fast	8-9	white	Bio		3rd-4th	Moist	○◐					
Euphorbia amygdaloides		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	4-5	green	Nat		GC	M	○◐				!	
Euphorbia amygdaloides 'Purpurea'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	4-6	green	Nat		GC	M	○◐				!	
Euphorbia amygdaloides 'Purpurea'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	4-6	green	Nat		GC	M	○◐				!	
Euphorbia amygdaloides var robbiae AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	E	fully	0.5	Medium	4-5	green/yellow	Nat		GC	M	○◐				!	
Euphorbia amygdaloides var robbiae AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	3-4	E	fully	0.5	Medium	4-5	green/yellow	Nat		GC	M	○◐				!	
Euphorbia subsp. characias 'Humpty Dumpty'	20-30	2L	Full pot, 3-4 breaks	4-5	E	frost	1	Med/Fast	4-5	green			2nd-3rd	M	○◐				!	
Euphorbia subsp. characias 'Humpty Dumpty'	20-30	5L	Full pot, 3-4 breaks	2-3	E	frost	1	Med/Fast	4-5	green			2nd-3rd	M	○◐				!	
Euphorbia martinii AGM	20-30	2L	Full pot, 3-4 breaks	5-6	E	fully	0.9	Medium	4-5	green			1st-2nd	M	○◐				!	
Euphorbia martinii AGM		5L	Full pot, 3-4 breaks	3-4	E	fully	0.9	Medium	4-5	green			GC-1st	M	○◐					

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Fragaria x ananassa 'Pink Panda' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-7	SE	fully	0.2-0.5	Fast	5-11	pink		Bio	GC	M	○◐					
Galium odoratum		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.3-0.6	Medium	5-6	white	Nat	Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Geranium Brookside AGM (longer flowering than 'Johnsons Blue')		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		fully	0.6 max	Med/Fast	5-9	blue		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Geranium cant. 'Biokovo'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-7		fully	0.3	Med/Fast	5-7	pale pink		Bio	GC	M	○◐					
Geranium macrorrhizum		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Med/Fast	5-7	pink		Bio	GC	M	○◐●●					
Geranium macrorrhizum 'Spessart'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Med/Fast	5-7	white		Bio	GC	M	○◐●●					
Geranium renardii		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Med/Fast	4-7	white&purple		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Geranium 'Mavis Simpson' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	0.3	Med/Fast	5-9	pink		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Geranium phaeum 'Samobor'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.5	Med/Fast	4-6	dark purple		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Geranium x riverleaianum 'Russell Pritchard' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Med/Fast	5-9	magenta		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Geranium 'Rozanne'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	3-4		fully	0.6 max	Med/Fast	5-10	blue		Bio	GC-1st	M	○					
Geranium x oxonianum 'Wargrave Pink' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5		fully	0.5	Med/Fast	5-7	pink		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐					
Helenium 'Moerheim Beauty' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		fully	1 to 1.5	Fast	7-9	burgundy		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○					
Helenium 'Wyndley'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		fully	1	Fast	6-8	yellow		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○					
Helleborus foetidus		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	2-4	green	Nat	Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐●●					!
Helleborus foetidus		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	3-4	E	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	2-4	green	Nat	Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐●●					!
Hemerocallis 'Golden Chimes' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5		fully	1	Med/Fast	6-9	yellow			1st-2nd	M	○◐					
Helleborus orientalis varieties		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	2-4	pinks/white etc		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐●●					!
Helleborus orientalis varieties		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, healthy crown	3-4	SE	fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	2-4	pinks/white etc		Bio	GC-1st	M	○◐●●					!
Hemerocallis 'Joan Senior'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.5-0.7	Medium	6-8	white			1st	M	○◐					
Hemerocallis 'Stafford'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5		fully	0.5-0.7	Medium	7-8	red			1st	M	○◐					
Hemerocallis 'Stella D'Oro'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.3 to 0.5	Medium	6-9	gold			GC-1st	M	○◐					
Heuchera micrantha 'Palace Purple'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3-0.4	Fast	5-7	white		Bio	1st	M	○◐					
Heuchera micrantha 'Palace Purple'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	3	SE	fully	0.3-0.4	Fast	5-7	white		Bio	1st	M	○◐					
Heuchera 'Plum Pudding'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.5 max	Fast	5-7	pink		Bio	1st	M	○◐					
Heuchera 'Plum Pudding'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	3	SE	fully	0.5 max	Fast	5-7	pink		Bio	1st	M	○◐					
Hosta 'Patriot'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.7	Medium	6-8	white/mauve			1st-2nd	Moist	○◐●●					
Hosta 'Patriot'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	3		fully	0.7	Medium	6-8	white/mauve			1st-2nd	Moist	○◐●●					

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Hosta seiboldiana		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		frost	0.8	Medium	6-8	white/mauve			1st-2nd	Moist	○●●					
Hosta seiboldiana		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	3		frost	0.8	Medium	6-8	white/mauve			1st-2nd	Moist	○●●					
Hosta 'Royal Standard' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		frost	1	Medium	6-8	lavender			1st-2nd	Moist	○●●					
Hosta 'Royal Standard' AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	3		frost	1	Medium	6-8	lavender			1st-2nd	Moist	○●●					
Hyssopus officinalis		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.75	Medium	7-9	blue		Bio	1st-2nd	M	○					
Iris foetidissima AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.5 max	Medium	6-7		Nat		GC-1st	M	○●●					!
Iris - germanica types		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.5 to 1	Med/Fast	5-6				1st-2nd	Dry	○					!
Iris - sibirica types		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.5 to 1	Med/Fast	5-7				1st-2nd	Wet	○●					!
Kniphofia 'Atlantia'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	1.2	Medium	4-6	yellow & red			2nd-3rd	M	○					
Kniphofia 'Brimstone'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	1	Medium	7-11	yellow			2nd-3rd	M	○					
Kniphofia caulescens		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	E	fully	0.75	Medium	6-10	coral & cream			1st-2nd	M	○					
Kniphofia 'Jenny Bloom'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5	SE	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-9	coral			2nd-3rd	M	○					
Kniphofia 'Jenny Bloom'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	3	SE	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-9	coral			2nd-3rd	M	○					
Kniphofia 'Little Maid'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.5	Medium	6-8	cream			1st	M	○					
Kniphofia 'Nancy's Red'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	E	fully	1	Medium	7-11	red			1st-2nd	M	○					
Kniphofia 'Royal Standard'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	SE	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-9	yellow& orange			2nd-3rd	M	○					
Kniphofia 'Royal Standard'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	3	SE	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-8	yellow& orange			2nd-3rd	M	○●					
Lamium maculatum 'Beacon Silver'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3 max	Fast	4-5	pink			GC	M	○●					
Lamium maculatum 'White Nancy' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3 max	Fast	5-6	white			GC	M	○●					
Leptinella squalida 'Platts Black'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	7-8		fully	0.2	Med/Fast	4-5	buff			GC	M	○●					
Ligularia dentat 'Desdemona' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	2-3		fully	1.2	Fast	7-9	yellow		Bio	1st-2nd	Wet	○					
Liriope muscari AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-7		fully	0.3-0.4	Med/Slow	8-11	mauve			GC	M	○●					
Liriope muscari AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	4-5		fully	0.3-0.4	Med/Slow	8-11	mauve			GC	M	○●					
Lythrum salicaria		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		fully	1.2	Fast	6-9	purple	Nat	Bio	1st-2nd	Wet	○					
Nepeta faassenii 'Walkers Low'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.5	Fast	6-8	blue		Bio	GC-1st	M	○					
Nepeta faassenii 'Walkers Low'	30-40 dia	5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot	3		fully	0.5	Medium	6-8	blue		Bio	GC-1st	M	○					
Origanum laevigatum 'Herrenhausen' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.5	Fast	6-9	purple		Bio	GC-1st	Dry	○					
Penstemon 'Apple Blossom' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	E	frost	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-9	pink/white			1st-2nd	M	○					
Penstemon 'Andenken an F.Hahn' ('Garnet') AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	E	frost	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-9	red			1st-2nd	M	○					

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Persicaria affinis 'Darjeeling Red' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	SE	fully	0.3	Med/Fast	7-10	pink/red		Bio	GC	M	○◐◑				!
Persicaria bistorta 'Superba'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		fully	0.5 to 1	Med/Fast	5-7	pink	Nat		1st-2nd	Moist	○◐◑	W			!
Phlomis russeliana AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		fully	1	Medium	6-9	yellow			1st-2nd	Dry	○◐◑	D			!
Phlomis tuberosa 'Amazone' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5		fully	1.2	Medium	6-7	purple/pink			1st-2nd	Dry	○◐◑	D			!
Pratia pedunculata	10-15 dia	2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-7	E	frost	0.2 max	Medium	6-10	blue			GC	M	○◐◑				
Pratia pedunculata 'Country Park'	10-15 dia	2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6-7	E	frost	0.2 max	Medium	6-10	dark blue			GC	M	○◐◑				
Pulmonaria 'Sissinghurst White' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.5 max	Medium	3-4	white			GC	M	○◐◑				
Pulmonaria 'Sissinghurst White' AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	4-5		fully	0.5 max	Medium	3-4	white			GC	M	○◐◑				
Rudbeckia fulgida 'Goldsturm' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5		fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-9	gold		Bio	1-2	M	○				
Rudbeckia fulgida 'Goldsturm' AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted pot, 2 healthy crowns	3		fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-9	gold		Bio	1-2	M	○				
Salvia officinalis 'Purpurescens' AGM		3L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4-5	E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium				Bio	1-2	M	○◐◑	D		C	
Salvia x sylvestris 'Mainacht' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5	E	fully	0.5 max	Medium	7-9	dark blue		Bio	1st	M	○				
Salvia x sylvestris 'Ostfriesland' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5	E	fully	0.5 max	Medium	7-9	lavender		Bio	1st	M	○				
Sedum 'Herbstfreude' ('Autumn Joy') AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.5 max	Medium	9-10	pink		Bio	1st	M	○				
Sedum 'Matrona'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6		fully	0.6 max	Medium	8-10	pink		Bio	1-2	M	○				
Sisyrinchium striatum		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.5 max	Medium	6-8	yellow			GC-1st	M	○				
Sisyrinchium striatum		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4	E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-8	yellow			GC-1st	M	○				
Sisyrinchium striatum 'Aunt May'		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.5 max	Medium	6-8	yellow			GC-1st	M	○				
Sisyrinchium striatum 'Aunt May'		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	4	E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6-8	yellow			GC-1st	M	○				
Stachys byzantina 'Silver Carpet'	15-20 dia	2L	Full pot, fully rooted	6	E	fully	0.2 max	Fast					GC	M	○				
Stachys byzantina 'Silver Carpet'	20-30 dia	5L	Full pot, fully rooted	3	E	fully	0.2 max	Fast					GC	M	○				
Tiarella cordifolia AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.3 max	Fast	4-6	white			GC	M	○◐◑				
Tellima grandiflora		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5	E	fully	0.8	Fast	5-7	cream			GC-1st	M	○◐◑				
Thymus varieties		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.2 max	Medium	5-6	pink, white	Nat	Bio	GC	M	○				
Verbena bonariensis AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6	SE	frost	1.5 max	Medium/Fas	6-9	Lilac		Bio	3-4	M	○				
Waldsteinia ternata		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	5-6	E	fully	0.2 max	Medium/Fas	4-5	yellow			GC	M	○◐◑				
Zantedeschia 'Crowborough' AGM		2L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	6		frost	1	Medium	6-8	white			2nd	Wet	○◐◑				!
Zantedeschia 'Crowborough' AGM		5L	Full pot, fully rooted, healthy crown	3		frost	1	Medium	6-8	white			2nd	Wet	○◐◑				!

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shrubs

Using the right materials is key to the quality and longevity of any project. Providing accurate and detailed specifications is the first step to defining project expectations. A landscape shrub should arrive on site with all the ingredients needed to initiate and maximise establishment and further growth. This means a fresh, bushy, robust plant with a well formed structure from which will come new growth to create a full, well structured shape.

The **'breaks'** referred to in these specifications are branches or shoots which form the structure of the plant. These can occur naturally but are formed when the plants are cut back or pruned as part of our nursery procedures. Therefore the number of breaks a plant achieves is indicative of the horticultural care and attention it has received. Whilst height and spread is a consideration, it is not, unless for a specific reason, as important as the structure.

2 litre is the minimum pots size for a worthwhile landscape shrub.. Plants grown in 1 or 1.5 litre pots will not have had the opportunity to form a proper mature structure and are invariably grown without enough space to prevent the plants falling over. Shrubs in 11 or 9 cm unless specifically required for a specialised project, are just youngsters best left with the nurseryman to grow on to suitable maturity. Once mulch is applied, small plants can really struggle especially as the top layer of mulch can be significantly colder than soil in cold weather.

Badly specified and poor quality shrub material results in higher losses and a significant increase in the time and cost achieving a mature planting. If there are budget constraints, we recommend contact with the grower for practical and effect solutions

AGM denotes the Royal Horticultural Society's 'Award of Garden Merit'

Potentially harmful: refers to harmful to humans further information from RHS

What to look for : fresh foliage (seasonally dependant) , no old leggy growth . The number of breaks creating a sound basic structure with plenty of potential growth. A plant that is in proportion to the pot (not too tall and sparse or too small and ill formed) Pest, disease and weed free plants with vine weevil control incorporated in the compost. 12-14 months of controlled release fertiliser to aid establishment and ensure the plant has the best possible start.



Substitutions: . Alternative plants, do, at times, have to be considered. The reasons may be realistic commercial availability, horticultural and quality concerns and the time of year of installation. We recommend entering into dialogue with the grower to get the best advice and expertise to meet your design aspirations and delivery

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Abelia grandiflora AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5	3-4	SE	fully	0.5 to 1,5	Medium	7-9		1st-2nd	M	○	D				C	
Abelia grandiflora AGM	40-60	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	3		SE	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	7-9		1st-2nd	M	○	D				C	
Amelanchier lamarkii AGM	60-80	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	4-5		3rd-4th	M-AC	○		W				
Amelanchier lamarkii AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	10	Medium	4-5		3rd-4th	M-AC	○		W				
Amelanchier lamarkii AGM	80-100	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	4-5			fully	10	Medium	4-5		3rd-4th	M-AC	○		W				
Amelanchier lamarkii AGM	125-150	15L		Branched, min 8 breaks	1			fully	10	Medium	4-5		3rd-4th	M-AC	○		W				
Amelanchier lamarkii AGM	150-175	25L		Branched, min 8-10 breaks	1			fully	10	Medium	4-5		3rd-4th	M-AC	○		W				
Aucuba japonica 'Crotonifolia' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5	4-5	E	fully	1.5 to 1.8	Medium	4-5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐						
Aucuba japonica 'Crotonifolia' AGM	40-50	5L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	2-3	3-4	E	fully	1.5 to 1.8	Medium	4-5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐						
Aucuba japonica 'Crotonifolia' AGM	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	1	2	E	fully	1.5 to 1.8	Medium	4-5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis x frikartii 'Amstelveen' AGM	25-30	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.6 to 0.9	Fast	4-5	Bio	2nd	M & CH	○◐	D	E				
Berberis x frikartii 'Amstelveen' AGM	30-40	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.6 to 0.9	Fast	4-5	Bio	2nd	M & CH	○◐	D	E				
Berberis gagnepanii 'Lancifolia'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4.5	4-5	E	fully	1 to 1.2	Medium	5	Bio	2nd	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis gagnepanii 'Lancifolia'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	2-3	3-4	E	fully	1 to 1.2	Medium	5	Bio	2nd	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis ottowensis 'Superba'	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5	4-5		fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis ottowensis 'Superba'	60-80	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	3-4	3-4		fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis x stenophylla AGM	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5	3-4	E	fully	1.5 to 2	Fast	4-5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐	D				C	
Berberis x stenophylla AGM	60-80	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	1.5 to 2	Fast	4-5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐	D				C	
Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea'	30-40	3L		Branched, min 5 breaks	4-5	4-5		fully	1.5 to 2	Fast	4-5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐					C	
Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea'	40-60	5L		Branched, min 7 breaks	2-3	3-4		fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	4-5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea'	60-80	10L		Branched, min 9 breaks	1-2	2-3		fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	4-5	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea Nana' AGM	15-20	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5	5-6		fully	0.5 to 0.6	Slow	5	Bio	1st	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea Nana' AGM	20-30	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	3-4	3-4		fully	0.5 to 0.6	Slow	5	Bio	1st	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea Nana' AGM	30-40	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2	3-4		fully	0.5 to 0.6	Slow	5	Bio	1st	M & CH	○◐						
Berberis thunbergii 'Bagatelle' AGM	15-20	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5			fully	0.5 max	Slow	5	Bio	1st	M	○◐						
Berberis thunbergii 'Bagatelle' AGM	20-30	5L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	2-3			fully	0.5 max	Slow	5	Bio	1st	M	○◐						
Berberis thunbergii 'Green Carpet'	20-30 dia	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5			fully	0.6 to 0.9	Medium	5	Bio	GC	M to AC	○◐			E		C	
Berberis thunbergii 'Green Carpet'	30-40 dia	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2-3			fully	0.6 to 0.9	Medium	5	Bio	GC	M to AC	○◐			E		C	

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Brachyglottis greyii 'Sunshine' (ex Senecio) AGM	40-60	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	frost	0.9	Medium	6-7	Nat		2nd -3rd	M	○◐					E C
Brachyglottis monroi 'Drysdale' (ex Senecio)	30-40	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5	3-4	E	frost	0.9	Medium	6-7	Nat		2nd -3rd	M	○◐					E C
Brachyglottis monroi 'Drysdale' (ex Senecio)	40-60	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	frost	0.9	Medium	6-7	Nat		2nd -3rd	M	○◐					E C
Brachyglottis monroi 'Drysdale' (ex Senecio)	60+	10L		Branched, min 8 breaks	1-2		E	frost	0.9	Medium	6-7	Nat		2nd -3rd	M	○◐					E C
Buddlieja alternifolia AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3			fully	3 to 4	Fast	6		Bio	3rd-4th	M & CH	○					D
Buddlieja alternifolia AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 4 breaks	2			fully	3 to 4	Fast	6		Bio	3rd-4th	M & CH	○					D
Buddlieja varieties	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3			fully	1.5 to 3	Med to fast	6		Bio	3rd-4th	M & CH	○					D
Buxus microphylla 'Faulkner'	30-40	3L		Bushy, multi breaks	4-5	5	E	fully	2	Medium			Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐◑					D E C
Buxus microphylla 'Faulkner'	30-40	5L		Bushy, multi breaks	2-3	3	E	fully	2	Medium			Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐◑					D E C
Buxus sempervirens AGM	15-20	2L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	6-7	6-7	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Slow		Nat	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐◑					D E C
Buxus sempervirens AGM	20-30	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	5	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Slow		Nat	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐◑					D E C
Buxus sempervirens AGM	30-40	5L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	2-3	3	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Slow		Nat	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐◑					D E C
Buxus sempervirens AGM	40-60	10L		Bushy, min 10 breaks	2	2	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Slow		Nat	Bio	3rd	M & CH	○◐◑					D E C
Buxus sempervirens 'Suffruticosa' AGM	20-30	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	8	8	E	fully	max 0.5	Slow		Nat	Bio	GC-1st	M & CH	○◐					D E C
Buxus sempervirens 'Suffruticosa' AGM	30-40	5L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	5	6	E	fully	max 0.5	Slow		Nat	Bio	GC-1st	M & CH	○◐					D E C
Calluna vulgaris	15-20	2L		Bushy, multi breaks	6-8		E	fully	0.5	Slow	7-11	Nat	Bio	GC	M - AC	○					W E
Camelia varieties	40-60	5L		Leader with laterals	3		E	fully	1 to 3	Medium	3-4			2nd-3rd	M - AC	◐◑					
Ceanothus 'Blue Mound' AGM	30-40 dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-6		Bio	2nd -4th	M & CH	○					D C
Ceanothus 'Blue Mound' AGM	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M & CH	○					D C
Ceanothus 'Blue Mound' AGM	40-60 dia	10L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M & CH	○					D C
Ceanothus 'Concha' AGM	40-60	3L		Leader with laterals	3-4		E	frost	1 to 1.5	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd	M	○◐					C
Ceanothus thyrsoflorus var repens AGM	30-40 dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Fast	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M & CH	○					D C
Ceanothus thyrsoflorus var repens AGM	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Fast	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M & CH	○					D C
Ceanothus thyrsoflorus var repens AGM	40-60 dia	10L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Fast	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M & CH	○					D C
Ceanothus thyrsoflorus 'Victoria'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4		E	fully	2	Fast	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M	○					C
Ceanothus thyrsoflorus 'Victoria'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	fully	2	Fast	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M	○					C
Ceanothus thyrsoflorus 'Victoria'	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	1-2		E	fully	2	Fast	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M	○					C

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Chaenomeles x superba 'Crimson & Gold' AGM	30-40	3L		Leader with laterals	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium			Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					E
Chaenomeles x superba 'Crimson & Gold' AGM	40-60	5L		Leader with laterals	2-3			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium			Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					E
Chaenomeles x superba 'Nicolene'	30-40	3L		Leader with laterals	3-4			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	3		Bio	2nd -3rd	M - AC	○◐					W E
Chaenomeles x superba 'Nicolene'	40-60	5L		Leader with laterals	2-3			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	3		Bio	2nd -3rd	M - AC	○◐					W E
Choisya 'Aztec Pearl'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5	4-5	E	frost	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5		Bio	2nd	M	○◐					D
Choisya 'Aztec Pearl'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3	3	E	frost	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5		Bio	2nd	M	○◐					D
Choisya ternata AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5	4-5	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐●					D C
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Choisya ternata 'Lich' ('Sundance') AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min. 4 breaks	4-5		E	frost	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M	○					D
Choisya ternata 'Lich' ('Sundance') AGM	40-50	5L		Bushy, min. 5 breaks	2-3		E	frost	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M	○					D
Choisya ternata 'Lich' ('Sundance') AGM	50-70	10L		Bushy, min. 7 breaks	1-2		E	frost	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	5-6		Bio	2nd -3rd	M	○					D
Cistus x hybridus (corbariensis)	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	6-7			1st - 3rd	M & CH	○					D C
Cistus 'Silver Pink' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	frost	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	6-7			1st - 3rd	M & CH	○					D C
Convolvulus cneorum AGM	20-30 dia	2L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	5-6		E	frost	0.5 to 0.9	Medium	6-8			1st - 2nd	M	○					D
Cornus alba 'Aurea' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					W E
Cornus alba 'Aurea' AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					W E
Cornus alba 'Aurea' AGM	80-100	10L		Branched, min 5 breaks	1-2			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					W E
Cornus alba 'Sibirica' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					W E
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Cornus alba 'Spaethii' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5			fully	3 to 5	Medium	5-6		Bio	4th	M	○◐					W E
Cornus alba 'Spaethii' AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	3 to 5	Medium	5-6		Bio	4th	M	○◐					W E
Cornus alba 'Spaethii' AGM	80-100	10L		Branched, min 5 breaks	1-2			fully	3 to 5	Medium	5-6		Bio	4th	M	○◐					W E
Cornus alba 'Elegantissima' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5			fully	3 to 5	Fast	5-6		Bio	4th	M	○◐					W E
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Cornus alba 'Ivory Halo'	40-60	5L		Branched, min 9 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5 to 2	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉		W	E		
Cornus alba 'Ivory Halo'	60-80	10L		Branched, min 11 breaks	1-2			fully	1.5 to 2	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉		W	E		
Cornus sanguinea 'Midwinter Fire"	30-40	3L		Branched, min 5 breaks	4-5			fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉		W	E		
Cornus sanguinea 'Midwinter Fire"	40-60	5L		Branched, min 7 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉		W	E		
Cornus sanguinea 'Midwinter Fire"	60-80	10L		Branched, min 7 breaks	1-2			fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉		W	E		
Cornus stolonifera 'Flaviramea'	40-60	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉		W	E		
Cornus stolonifera 'Flaviramea'	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉		W	E		
Cornus stolonifera 'Flaviramea'	80-100	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	1-1.5			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6		Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉		W	E		
Cornus stolonifera 'Kelseyi'	20-30	3L		Several shoot, min 3 breaks	5-6			fully	0.5 to 1	Slow	5-6		Bio	1st	M	☉		W	E		
Cotinus coggygia 'Grace"	30-40	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	3 to 5	Med/Fast	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Grace"	40-60	5L		Branched, min 4 breaks	2-3			fully	3 to 5	Med/Fast	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Grace"	60-90	10L		Branched, min 5 breaks	1-2			fully	3 to 5	Med/Fast	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Grace"	30-40	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	3 to 5	Med/Fast	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Grace"	40-60	5L		Branched, min 4 breaks	2-3			fully	3 to 5	Med/Fast	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Grace"	60-90	10L		Branched, min 5 breaks	1-2			fully	3 to 5	Med/Fast	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Royal Purple' AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	3 to 4	Medium	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Royal Purple' AGM	30-40	5L		Branched, min 4 breaks	2-3			fully	3 to 4	Medium	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Royal Purple' AGM	40-60	10L		Branched, min 5 breaks	1-2			fully	3 to 4	Medium	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotinus coggygia 'Royal Purple' AGM	125-150	potballed		Branched, min 7 breaks	1			fully	3 to 4	Medium	6-7			3rd-4th	M	☉					
Cotoneaster conspicuus 'Decorus' AGM	20-30 dia	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M & CH	☉☉	D	E	C		
Cotoneaster conspicuus 'Decorus' AGM	30-40 dia	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M & CH	☉☉	D	E	C		
Cotoneaster conspicuus 'Decorus' AGM	40-60 dia	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M & CH	☉☉	D	E	C		
Cotoneaster dammeri AGM	30-40dia	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.3 max	Medium	6		Bio	GC	M & CH	☉☉	D	E	C		
Cotoneaster dammeri AGM	40-60 dia	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.3 max	Medium	6		Bio	GC	M & CH	☉☉	D	E	C		
Cotoneaster franchetii	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	6		Bio	3rd	M	☉☉	D	E	C		
Cotoneaster franchetii	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	6		Bio	3rd	M	☉☉	D	E	C		
Cotoneaster franchetii	80-100	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	1-2		E	fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	6		Bio	3rd	M	☉☉	D	E	C		

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Cotoneaster lacteus AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	fully	2 to 3	Medium	6	Bio	3rd-4th	M & CH	○●●						
Cotoneaster lacteus AGM	80+	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	1-2		E	fully	2 to 3	Medium	6	Bio	3rd-4th	M & CH	○●●						
Cotoneaster microphyllus AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6	Bio	1st - 2nd	M	○●●	D	E	C			
Cotoneaster microphyllus AGM	40-60	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6	Bio	1st - 2nd	M	○●●	D	E	C			
Cotoneaster radicans 'Eichlolz' (Oakwood)	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy min. 4 No. breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.3 max	Medium	6	Bio	GC	M	○●●	D					
Cotoneaster radicans 'Eichlolz' (Oakwood)	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy min. 5 No. breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.3 max	Medium	6	Bio	GC	M	○●●	D					
Cotoneaster radicans 'Eichlolz' (Oakwood)	40-60 dia	10L		Bushy min. 6 No. breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.3 max	Medium	6	Bio	GC	M	○●●	D					
Cotoneaster x sueticus.'Coral Beauty'	30-40dia	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6	Bio	2nd	M	○●●	D	E	C			
Cotoneaster x sueticus.'Coral Beauty'	40-60dia	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Medium	6	Bio	2nd	M	○●●	D	E	C			
Cotoneaster watereri	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5	3-4	E	fully	1.5 to 4	Medium	6	Bio	3rd-4th	M	○●●						
Cotoneaster watereri	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	1.5 to 4	Medium	6	Bio	3rd-4th	M	○●●						
Cotoneaster watereri	80+	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	1-2	1-2	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	6	Bio	3rd-4th	M	○●●						
Cytisus praecox	30-40	2L		Branched, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Fast	5	Bio	I	M	○●●	D	E	C			
Cytisus praecox 'Album' AGM	30-40	2L		Branched, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Fast	5	Bio	I	M	○●	D	E	C			
Cytisus praecox 'Allgold'	30-40	2L		Branched, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Fast	5	Bio	I	M	○●	D	E	C			
Elaeagnus angustifolia var caspica	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4	4	E	fully	3 to 4	Fast	6		4th	M	○●	D	E	C			
Elaeagnus angustifolia var caspica	60-80	5L		Branched, min 4 breaks	2-3	3	E	fully	3 to 4	Fast	6		4th	M	○●	D	E	C			
Elaeagnus x ebbingei	30-40	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4	4	E	fully	3 to 4	Medium	9-11		4th	M	○●	D	E	C			
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Elaeagnus x ebbingei	60-80	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	1-2	2	E	fully	3	Medium	9-11		4th	M	○●	D	E	C			
Elaeagnus x ebbingei 'Gilt Edge' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4	4	E	fully	3	Fast	9-11		4th	M	○●	D	E	C			
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Elaeagnus x ebbingei 'Gilt Edge' AGM	80-100	10L		Branched, min 6 breaks	1-2	2	E	fully	3 to 4	Fast	9-11		4th	M	○●	D	E	C			
Elaeagnus x ebbingei 'Limelight'	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4	4	E	fully	3 to 4	Fast	9-11		4th	M	○●	D	E	C			
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Elaeagnus pungens 'Maculata'	40-60	5L		Branched, min 4 breaks	2-3	3	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	9-11			3rd	M	○	D	E	C		
Elaeagnus pungens 'Maculata'	60-80	10L		Branched, min 5 breaks	1-2	2	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	9-11			3rd	M	○	D	E	C		
Erica carnea varieties	10-15	2L		Bushy	6-8		E	fully	0.5 max	Medium	11-4		Bio	GC	M-AC	○◐			E		
Escallonia 'Apple Blossom' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	3-4	5	SE	fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	7-9		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐	D		C		
Escallonia 'Apple Blossom' AGM	40-60	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2-3	3	SE	fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	7-9		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐	D		C		
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Escallonia 'Apple Blossom' AGM	60-80	10L		Branched, min 8 breaks	1.2	2	SE	fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	7-9		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐	D		C		
Escallonia 'Donard Radiance' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	3-4	4-5	SE	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	7-9		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐◐	D		C		
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Escallonia 'Donard Radiance' AGM	60-80	10L		Branched, min 8 breaks	1.2	2	SE	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	7-9		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐◐	D		C		
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald & Gold' AGM	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 max	Medium				GC - 2nd	M & CH	○◐◐◐	D		C	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald & Gold' AGM	30-40dia	5L		Bushy min 9 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 max	Medium				GC - 2nd	M & CH	○◐◐◐	D		C	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald & Gold' AGM	40-60dia	10L		Bushy min 11 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 max	Medium				GC - 2nd	M & CH	○◐◐◐	D		C	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald & Gaiety' AGM	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 max	Medium				GC - 2nd	M & CH	○◐◐◐		E	C	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald & Gaiety' AGM	30-40dia	5L		Bushy min 9 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 max	Medium				GC - 2nd	M & CH	○◐◐◐		E	C	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald & Gaiety' AGM	40-60dia	10L		Bushy min 11 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 max	Medium				GC - 2nd	M & CH	○◐◐◐		E	C	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Silver Queen'	20-30dia	3L		Bushy min 6 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 max	Slow				GC	M & CH	○◐		E	C	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Silver Queen'	30-40dia	5L		Bushy min. 9 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 max	Slow				GC	M & CH	○◐		E	C	!	
Euonymus fortunei 'Silver Queen'	40-60dia	10L		Bushy min 11 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 max	Slow				GC	M & CH	○◐		E	C	!	
Fatsia japonica AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, 3 breaks	3-4		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	10			3rd	M	◐				!	
Fatsia japonica AGM	40-60	5L		Branched, min 3 breaks	2-3		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	10			3rd	M	◐					
Fatsia japonica AGM	60-90	10L		Branched, min 3-4 breaks	1		E	frost	1.5 to 3	Medium	10			3rd	M	◐					
Fuchsia magellanica 'Tricolor' AGM	25-30	3L		Bushy, min 4-5 breaks	4-5	4-5		frost	0.9 to 1	Fast	7-9		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○◐			C		
Fuchsia magellanica 'Tricolor' AGM	35-40	5L		Bushy, min 6-7 breaks	2-3	2-3		frost	0.9 to 1	Fast	7-9		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○◐			C		

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Fuchsia 'Mrs Popple' AGM	25-30	3L		Bushy, min 4-5 breaks	4-5	5		frost	0.6 to 0.9	Fast	7-9		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	☉					C
Fuchsia 'Mrs Popple' AGM	35-40	5L		Bushy, min 6-7 breaks	2-3	3		frost	0.6 to 0.9	Fast	7-9		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	☉					C
Fuchsia 'Ricartonii' AGM	25-30	3L		Bushy, min 4-5 breaks	4-5	5		frost	0.6 to 0.9	Fast	7-9		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	☉					C
Fuchsia 'Ricartonii' AGM	35-40	5L		Bushy, min 6-7 breaks	2-3	3		frost	0.6 to 0.9	Fast	7-9		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	☉					C
Fuchsia 'Tom Thumb'	25-30	3L		Bushy, min 4-5 breaks	5-6	5		frost	0.6 to 0.9	Fast	7-9		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	☉					C
Fuchsia 'Tom Thumb'	35-40	5L		Bushy, min 6-7 breaks	3-4	3		frost	0.6 to 0.9	Fast	7-9		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	☉					C
Garrya elliptica	30-40	3L		Branched, leader and laterals	4-5		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	1-3			3rd & 4th	M	☉				C	
Garrya elliptica	40-60	5L		Branched, leader and laterals	2-3		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	1-3			3rd & 4th	M	☉				C	
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Garrya elliptica 'James Roof' AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, leader and laterals	4-5		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	1-3			3rd & 4th	M	☉				C	
Garrya elliptica 'James Roof' AGM	40-60	5L		Branched, leader and laterals	2-3		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	1-3			3rd & 4th	M	☉				C	
Garrya elliptica 'James Roof' AGM	60-90	10L		Branched, leader and laterals.	1		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	1-3			3rd & 4th	M	☉				C	
Genista hispanica	20-30	3L		Bushy, min. 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 0.9	Medium	5-6		Bio	1st-2nd	M - AC	☉	D			C	
Genista lydia AGM	30-40 dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4		SE	fully	0.5 to 0.9	Medium	5-6		Bio	1st-2nd	M - AC	☉	D			C	
Genista lydia AGM	40-60 dia	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2-3		SE	fully	0.5 to 0.9	Medium	5-6		Bio	1st	M - AC	☉	D			C	
Hebe albicans 'Blue Star'	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.6 max	Medium	5-9		Bio	1st-2nd	M & CH	☉		E		C	
Hebe 'Beverley Hills'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4		E	fully	0.9 max	Med/Fast	5-10		Bio	2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe 'Beverley Hills'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.9 max	Med/Fast	5-10		Bio	2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe 'Beverley Hills'	60-70	10L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.9 max	Med/Fast	5-10		Bio	2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe canterburiensis	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	1	Medium	6-9		Bio	2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe canterburiensis	40-50	5L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	2-3		E	fully	1	Medium	6-9		Bio	2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe 'Champion'	25-30	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.9 max	Slow	6-10		Bio	2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe 'Champion'	30-40	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.9 max	Slow	6-10		Bio	2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe 'Charming White'	25-30	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	1	Medium	6-8		Bio	2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe 'Charming White'	30-40	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	fully	1	Medium	6-8		Bio	1st-2nd	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe 'Glenorchy'	25-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min. 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.6 to 0.9	Medium	6-9		Bio	1st	M & CH	☉				C	
Hebe 'Glenorchy'	30-35 dia	5L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.6 to 0.9	Medium	6-9		Bio	1st	M & CH	☉				C	

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Hebe 'Mette'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	1.2 max	Medium	5-11		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○					C
Hebe 'Mette'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	fully	1.2 max	Medium	5-11		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○					C
Hebe 'Midsummer Beauty' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	frost	1.5 to 2	Medium	6-10		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○					C
Hebe 'Midsummer Beauty' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	frost	1.5 to 2	Medium	6-10		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○					C
Hebe 'Mrs Winder' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	frost	1.5 to 2	Medium	6-10		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○					C
Hebe 'Mrs Winder' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	frost	1.5 to 2	Medium	6-10		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○					C
Hebe odora 'New Zealand Gold'	25-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.6 max	Slow	6-10		Bio	1st-2nd	M	○◐					
Hebe odora 'New Zealand Gold'	30-35 dia	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.6 max	Slow	6-10		Bio	1st-2nd	M	○◐					
Hebe pinguifolia 'Pagei' AGM	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.7	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M	○					C
Hebe pinguifolia 'Pagei' AGM	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.7	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M	○					C
Hebe pinguifolia 'Pagei' AGM	40-60 dia	10L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.7	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M	○					C
Hebe pinguifolia 'Sutherlandii'	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.7	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M	○					C
Hebe pinguifolia 'Sutherlandii'	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.7	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M	○					C
Hebe pinguifolia 'Sutherlandii'	40-60 dia	10L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.7	Medium	6		Bio	1st	M	○					C
Hebe rakaiensis - use improved form - Hebe 'Glenorchy'																					
Hibiscus syriacus varieties	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4			frost	1.5 to 3	Medium	8-9			3rd	M - AC	○	D			C	
Hibiscus syriacus varieties	60+	5L		Branched, min 4 breaks	2-3			frost	1.5 to 3	Medium	8-9			3rd	M - AC	○	D			C	
Hippophae rhamnoides AGM	40-60	3L		Branched. min 5 breaks	3-4			fully	3 to 5	Fast	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd	M	○	D	E	C		
Ilex x altaclarensis 'Golden King'	40-60	3L		Leader and laterals	3-4	4-5	E	fully	3 to 5	Medium	5-6		Bio	3rd	M	○●●	D		E		
Ilex x altaclarensis 'Golden King' AGM	60-80	5L		Leader and laterals	2-3	3-4	E	fully	3 to 5	Medium	5-6		Bio	3rd	M	○●●	D		E		
Ilex x altaclarensis 'Golden King' AGM	80-100	10L		Leader and laterals	1-2	1-2	E	fully	3 to 5	Medium	5-6		Bio	3rd	M	○●●	D		E		
Ilex aquifolium AGM	40-60	3L		Leader and laterals	3-4	4-5	E	fully	8 to 15	Medium	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd	M	○●●	D	E	C		
Ilex aquifolium AGM	60-80	5L		Leader and laterals	2-3	3-4	E	fully	8 to 15	Medium	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd	M	○●●	D	E	C		
Ilex aquifolium AGM	80-100	10L		Leader and laterals	1-2	1-2	E	fully	8 to 15	Medium	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd	M	○●●	D	E	C		
Ilex aquifolium 'J C van Tol'	40-60	3L		Leader and laterals	3-4	4-5	E	fully	3 to 5	Medium	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd	M	○●●	D	E	C		
Ilex aquifolium 'J C van Tol'	60-80	5L		Leader and laterals	2-3	2-3	E	fully	3 to 5	Medium	5-6	Nat	Bio	3rd	M	○●●	D	E	C		
Ilex crenata	20-30 dia	3L		Leader and laterals	4-5	4-5	E	fully	5 to 15	Slow	5-6		Bio	2nd	M	○◐	D		E		

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Ilex crenata	40-60 dia	10L		Leader and laterals	2	2-3	E	fully	5 to 15	Slow	5-6		Bio	2nd	M	○◐	D		E		
Lavandula angustifolia 'Grosso'	15+ dia	2L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	5-6	6	E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	5-8		Bio	1st	M	○	D		E	C	
Lavandula angustifolia 'Grosso'	15-20 dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	4-5	4-5	E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	5-8		Bio	1st	M	○	D		E	C	
Lavandula angustifolia 'Grosso'	20-30 dia	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	5-8		Bio	1st	M	○	D		E	C	
Lavandula angustifolia 'Grosso'	30-40 dia	10L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	1-2	2-3	E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	5-8		Bio	1st	M	○	D		E	C	
Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote' AGM	15+ dia	2L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	5-6	6	E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	5-8		Bio	1st	M	○	D		E	C	
Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote' AGM	15-20 dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	5-6	5-6	E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	5-8		Bio	1st	M	○	D		E	C	
Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote' AGM	20-30 dia	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	3-4	3-4	E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	5-8		Bio	1st	M	○	D		E	C	
Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote' AGM	30-40 dia	10L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	2	2-3	E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	5-8		Bio	1st	M	○	D		E	C	
Leycesteria formosa 'Golden Lanterns'	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 43 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5	Medium	5-8			3rd	M	○					
Leycesteria formosa 'Golden Lanterns'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5	Medium	5-8			3rd	M	○					
Leycesteria formosa 'Golden Lanterns'	60-90	10L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	1-2			fully	1.5	Medium	5-8			3rd	M	○					
Ligustrum japonicum 'Texanum'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4	3-4	E	fully	1.2 to 1.5	Medium	5-6		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○●●					
Ligustrum japonicum 'Texanum'	60-80	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	1.2-1.5	Medium	5-6		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○●●					
Lonicera nitida 'Bagginsens Gold' AGM	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, 4 min breaks	3-4	3-4	E	fully	0.9 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	2nd	M & CH	○					
Lonicera nitida 'Bagginsens Gold' AGM	30-40dia	5L		Bushy, 8 min breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	0.9 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	2nd	M & CH	○					
Lonicera nitida 'Bagginsens Gold' AGM	40-60dia	10L		Bushy, 10 min breaks	1-2	1-2	E	fully	0.9 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	2nd	M & CH	○					
Lonicera nitida varieties	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4	3-4	E	fully	0.9 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○●●					
Lonicera nitida varieties	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully					Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○●●					
Lonicera - see also 'Groundcover' and 'Climber' sections																					
Mahonia aquifolium	30-40	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	4-5		Bio	1st	M & CH	○●●	D				
Mahonia aquifolium	30-50	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	4-5		Bio	1st	M & CH	○●●	D				
Mahonia aquifolium 'Apollo' AGM	20-30	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	5-6		E	fully	1	Medium			Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○●●	D				
Mahonia aquifolium 'Apollo' AGM	30-50	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	3-4		E	fully	1	Medium			Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○●●	D				
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Mahonia x media 'Winter Sun' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 2 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○●●	D				
Mahonia x media 'Winter Sun' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 2 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○●●	D				
Mahonia x media 'Winter Sun' AGM	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○●●	D				
Nandina domestica 'Fire Power'	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	5-6		E	fully	0.5 to 0.9	Medium				2nd	M to AC	○●●					
Nandina domestica 'Fire Power'	40-60 dia	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	3-4		E	fully	0.5 to 0.9	Medium				2nd	M to AC	○●●					
Nandina domestica	20-30	3L		Branched, min 2 breaks	5-6		E	fully	0.5 to 0.9	Medium				2nd	M to AC	○●●					
Nandina domestica	40-60	5L		Branched, min 2-3 breaks	3-4		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium				3rd	M	○●					
Nandina domestica	60-70	10L		Branched, min 3-5 breaks	3-4		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium				3rd	M	○●					
Olearia haastii	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	3rd	M & CH	○	D	E	C		
Olearia haastii	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium			Bio	3rd	M & CH	○	D	E	C		
Osmanthus x burkwoodii AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5	4-5	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Slow				3rd - 4th	M	○●	D				
Osmanthus x burkwoodii AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3	3	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Slow	5-6			3rd	M	○●	D				
Osmanthus x burkwoodii AGM	80-100	10L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	1	2	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Slow				3rd	M	○●		W			
Pachysandra terminalis 'Green Carpet' AGM	15-20 dia	2L		Full pot	5-6		E	fully	0.4 max	Medium				GC	M	●●	D	E			
Pachysandra terminalis 'Green Carpet' AGM	20-30 dia	5L		Full pot	3-4		E	fully	0.4 max	Medium				GC	M	●●	D	E			
Perovskia atri. 'Blue Spire' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	7-9			2nd	M & CH	○	D	E	C		
Perovskia atri. 'Blue Spire' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	7-9			2nd	M & CH	○	D	E	C		
Phlomis fruticosa AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	7-9			2nd	M	○	D		C		
Phormium 'Sundowner' AGM	40-60	3L		Full pot. Healthy crown	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium				2nd/F	M	○	D		C		
Phormium 'Sundowner' AGM	60-80	5L		Full pot. 2-3 crown	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium				2nd/F	M	○			C		
Phormium 'Sundowner' AGM	80-100	10L		Full pot. 3-4 crown	1		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium				2nd/F	M	○			E	C	
Phormium 'Surfer Bronze'	30-40	3L		Full pot. Min 8 leaves	4-5		E	frost	5 to .75	Medium				1st-2nd	M	○	D		C		
Phormium 'Surfer Bronze'	40-50	5L		Full pot. Min 12 leaves	2-3		E	frost	5 to .75	Medium				1st-2nd	M	○	D		C		
Phormium 'Surfer Green'	30-40	3L		Full pot. Min 8 leaves	4-5		E	frost	5 to .75	Medium				1st-2nd	M	○	D		C		
Phormium 'Surfer Green'	40-50	5L		Full pot. Min 12 leaves	2-3		E	frost	5 to .75	Medium				1st-2nd	M	○	D		C		
Phormium tenax AGM	50-60	3L		Full pot. Min 7 leaves	4-5		E	frost	3 to 5	Fast				3rd/F	M	○	D		C		
Phormium tenax AGM	60-80	5L		Full pot. Min 10 leaves	2-3		E	frost	3 to 5	Fast				3rd/F	M	○	D		C		
Phormium tenax AGM	80-100+	10L		Full pot. Min 15 leaves	1-2		E	frost	3 to 5	Fast				3rd/F	M	○	D		C		

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Phormium tenax 'Bronze Baby'	60-90	5L		Full pot. Min 12 leaves	2-3		E	frost	0.5 to 1.5	Medium				1st-2nd/F	M	○	D			C	
Phormium tenax 'Purpureum' AGM	40-60	3L		Full pot. Healthy crown	3-5		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Fast				3rd-4th/F	M	○	D			C	
Phormium tenax 'Purpureum' AGM	60-90	5L		Full pot. 2-3 crown	2-3		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Fast				3rd-4th/F	M	○	D			C	
Phormium tenax 'Purpureum' AGM	80-100	10L		Full pot. 3-4 crown	1-2		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Fast				3rd-4th/F	M	○	D			C	
Phormium tenax Variegata AGM	40-60	3L		Full pot. Healthy crown	4-5		E	fully	1.5 to 2	Fast				3rd-4th/F	M	○	D			C	
Phormium tenax Variegata AGM	60-80	5L		Full pot. 2-3 crown	2-3		E	fully	1.5 to 2	Fast				3rd-4th/F	M	○	D			C	
Phormium tenax Variegata AGM	80-100+	10L		Full pot. 3-4 crown	1		E	fully	1.5 to 2	Fast				3rd-4th/F	M	○	D			C	
Phormium 'Yellow Wave' AGM	40-60	3L		Full pot. Healthy crown	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium				2nd/F	M	○	D			C	
Phormium 'Yellow Wave' AGM	60-80	5L		Full pot. 2-3 crown	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium				2nd/F	M	○				C	
Phormium 'Yellow Wave' AGM	80-100	10L		Full pot. 3-4 crown	1		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium				2nd/F	M	○			E	C	
Photinia x fraseri 'Camilly'	30-40	3L		Branched, min 6 breaks	3-4	4-5	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	5-6			2nd-3rd	M	○◐			E	C	
Photinia x fraseri 'Camilly'	40-60	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium				2nd-3rd	M	○◐			E	C	
Photinia x fraseri 'Camilly'	60-80	10L		Branched, min 8 breaks	1-2	1-2	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium				2nd-3rd	M	○◐			E	C	
Photinia x fraseri 'Red Robin' AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4	4-5	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	5-6			3rd-4th	M & CH	○◐					
Photinia x fraseri 'Red Robin' AGM	40-60	5L		Branched, min 6 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium				3rd-4th	M & CH	○◐					
Photinia x fraseri 'Red Robin' AGM	60-80	10L		Branched, min 8 breaks	1-2	1-2	E	fully	1.5 to 3	Medium				3rd-4th	M & CH	○◐					
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Pinus mugo - dwarf spreading varieties	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.9-1.5	Medium			Bio	1st-2nd	M	○◐			E	C	
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Pinus mugo - dwarf spreading varieties	60-80dia	15L		Bushy, min 10 breaks	1		E	fully	0.9-1.5	Medium			Bio	1st-2nd	M	○◐			E	C	
Pittosporum tenuifolium AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4	4-5	E	frost	1.5 to 3	Fast	8-9			3rd	M	○◐				C	
Pittosporum tenuifolium AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	frost	1.5 to 3	Fast	8-9			3rd	M	○◐				C	
Pittosporum tenuifolium AGM	60--80	10L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	1	1-2	E	frost	1.5 to 3	Fast	8-9			3rd	M	○◐				C	
Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Tom Thumb' AGM	20-30	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4	4-5	E	frost	0.6	Fast	8-9			1st-2nd	M	○◐				C	
Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Tom Thumb' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	frost	0.6	Fast	8-9			1st-2nd	M	○◐				C	
Pittosporum variegated varieties	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4	4-5	E	frost	1.5 to 3	Fast	8-9			3rd	M	○◐				C	

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Pittosporum tobira 'Nanum'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4		E	frost	0.9-1.2	Slow	6-7			2nd	M	○◐					
Pittosporum tobira 'Nanum'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3		E	frost	0.9-1.2	Slow	6-7			2nd	M	○◐					
Potentilla fruticosa 'Abbotswood' AGM	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	0.9-1.2	Fast	5-10	Nat		2nd-3rd	M	○◐					E C
Potentilla fruticosa 'Abbotswood' AGM	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	0.9-1.2	Fast	5-10	Nat		2nd-3rd	M	○◐					E C
Potentilla fruticosa 'Goldfinger'	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	0.9-1.2	Fast	5-10	Nat		2nd	M	○◐					E C
Potentilla fruticosa 'Goldfinger'	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	0.9-1.2	Fast	5-10	Nat		2nd	M	○◐					E C
Potentilla fruticosa 'Pink Beauty' AGM	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5			fully	1	Fast	5-10	Nat		2nd	M	○◐					E C
Potentilla fruticosa 'Pink Beauty' AGM	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	1	Fast	5-10	Nat		2nd	M	○◐					E C
Potentilla fruticosa 'Red Ace'	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5			fully	1	Fast	5-10	Nat		1st-2nd	M	○◐					E C
Potentilla fruticosa 'Red Ace'	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	1	Fast	5-10	Nat		1st-2nd	M	○◐					E C
Prunus x cistena 'Crimson Dwarf' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4	4		fully	2-3	Fast	4			3rd-4th	M	○◐					
Prunus x cistena 'Crimson Dwarf' AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3	3		fully	2-3	Fast	4			3rd-4th	M	○◐					
Prunus incisa 'Kajo-no-mai'	40-60	10L		Bushy min. 5 breaks	2			fully	1-1.5	Medium	4			F	M	○◐					
Prunus laurocerasus 'Cherry Brandy'	30-40 dia	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.9-1.2	Medium	5-7		Bio	2nd	M	○◐●	D				!
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Prunus laurocerasus 'Cherry Brandy'	60-80 dia	10L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.9-1.2	Medium	5-7		Bio	2nd	M	○◐●	D				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Etna'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5	5	E	fully	1.8-2.2	Medium	5-7		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					E !
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Prunus laurocerasus 'Etna'	100-125	20L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	1		E	fully	1.8-2.2	Medium	5-7		Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					E !
Prunus lusitanica 'Myrtifolia'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4	3-4	E	fully	3-4	Medium			Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					!
Prunus lusitanica 'Myrtifolia'	70-80	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	3-4	Medium			Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					!
Prunus lusitanica 'Myrtifolia'	80-100	10L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	1-2	2.5	E	fully	3-4	Medium			Bio	3rd-4th	M	○◐					!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Otto Luyken' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5	4	E	fully	0.9-1.2	Medium	5-7		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○◐	D				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Otto Luyken' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4	2-3	E	fully	0.9-1.2	Medium	5-7		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○◐	D				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Otto Luyken' AGM	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2		E	fully	0.9-1.2	Medium	5-7		Bio	2nd-3rd	M	○◐	D				!

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Prunus laurocerasus 'Rotundifolia'	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4	3-4	E	fully	3 to 5	Fast	5-7	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Rotundifolia'	60-80	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	3 to 5	Fast	6-7	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Rotundifolia'	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4	3-4	E	fully	3 to 5	Fast	5-7	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Rotundifolia'	60-80	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	3 to 5	Fast	6-7	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Zabelliana'	30-40D	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	6-7	Bio	3rd	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Zabelliana'	40-60D	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	6-7	Bio	3rd	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus laurocerasus 'Zabelliana'	60-80D	10L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	6-7	Bio	3rd	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus lusitanica	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4		E	fully	4-5	Fast	6-7	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus lusitanica	60-80	5L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	2-3	3	E	fully	3 to 5	Fast	6-7	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Prunus lusitanica	80-100	10L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	1-2	2	E	fully	3 to 5	Fast	6-7	Bio	3rd-4th	M	☉☉	D	E				!
Pyracantha coccinea 'Red Cushion'	30-40 dia	3L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3-4		E	fully	0.6	Medium	5	Bio	1st-2nd	M	☉			E	C		!
Pyracantha coccinea 'Red Cushion'	40-60 dia	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.6	Medium	5	Bio	1st-2nd	M	☉			E	C		
Pyracantha coccinea 'Red Cushion'	40-60 dia	10L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.6	Medium	5	Bio	1st-2nd	M	☉			E	C		
Pyracantha 'Cadaune' (sapho jaune)	40-60	3L		Leader and laterals, min 4 branches	3-4	5	E	fully	2-3	Medium	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Cadaune' (sapho jaune)	60-90	5L		Leader and laterals, min 5 branches	2-3	3	E	fully	2-3	Medium	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Cadaune' (sapho jaune)	90-120	10L		Leader and laterals, min 6 branches	1-2	2	E	fully	2-3	Medium	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Cadrage' (sapho orange) AGM	40-60	3L		Leader and laterals, min 4 branches	3-4	5	E	fully	2-3	Medium	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Cadrage' (sapho orange) AGM	60-90	5L		Leader and laterals, min 5 branches	2-3	3	E	fully	2-3	Medium	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
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Pyracantha 'Cadrou' (sapho rouge) AGM	40-60	3L		Leader and laterals, min 4 branches	3-4	5	E	fully	2-3	Medium	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Cadrou' (sapho rouge) AGM	60-90	5L		Leader and laterals, min 5 branches	2-3	3	E	fully	2-3	Medium	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Cadrou' (sapho rouge) AGM	90-120	10L		Leader and laterals, min 6 branches	1-2	2	E	fully	2-3	Medium	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Soleil d'Or'	30-40	3L		Leader and laterals, min 4 branches	3-4		E	fully	1-1.5	Medium	5	Bio	3	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Soleil d'Or'	40-60	5L		Leader and laterals, min 5 branches	2-3		E	fully	1-1.5	Medium	5	Bio	3	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Victory'	40-60	3L		Leader and laterals, min 4 branches	4-5	5	E	fully	1-1.5	Fast	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Victory'	70-90	5L		Leader and laterals, min 5 branches	3-4	3	E	fully	1.5-2	Fast	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		
Pyracantha 'Victory'	90-120	10L		Leader and laterals, min 6 branches	1-2	2	E	fully	1.5-2	Fast	5	Bio	3-4	M	☉				C		

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Rhus typhina AGM	40-60	3L		Leader and laterals.	2			fully	3 to 5	Fast	7			3rd/F	M	☉	D				
Rhus typhina AGM	60-80	5L		Leader and laterals.	2			fully	3 to 5	Fast	7			3rd/F	M	☉	D				
Rhus typhina AGM	80-100	10L		Leader and laterals.	1			fully	3 to 5	Fast	7		Bio	3rd/F	M	☉	D				
Rhus typhina 'Dissecta'	30-40	3L		Leader and laterals.	2			fully	3 to 5	Fast	7		Bio	3rd/F	M	☉	D				
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Rhus typhina 'Dissecta'	80-100	10L		Leader and laterals.	1			fully	3 to 5	Fast	7		Bio	3rd/F	M	☉	D				
Rosa canina	30-40	2L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5	Nat	Bio	3rd	M	☉	D	E	C		
Rosa canina	30-40		BR	Bushy, min 2 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5	Nat	Bio	3rd	M	☉	D	E	C		
Rosa 'Frau Dugmar Hastrup' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 2 breaks	3-4	4-5		fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-7		Bio	2nd	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'Frau Dugmar Hastrup' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	2-3	4-5		fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-7			2nd	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'Gwent'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉			E	C	
Rosa 'Gwent'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3			fully	0.5	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉			E	C	
Rosa 'Gwent'	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	1-2			fully	0.5	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉			E	C	
Rosa 'Hertfordshire' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉			E	C	
Rosa 'Hertfordshire' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3			fully	0.5	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉			E	C	
Rosa 'Hertfordshire' AGM	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	1-2			fully	1	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉			E	C	
Rosa 'Kent'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4	4-5		fully	1	Medium	5-10			2nd	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'Kent'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3	3		fully	1	Medium	5-10			2nd	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'Kent'	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	1-2	1-2		fully	1	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'Suffolk'	20-30	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	0.6	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉				C	
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Rosa 'Suffolk'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3			fully	0.6	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'Suffolk'	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	1-2			fully	0.6	Medium	5-10			1st	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'White Max Graf'	20-30dia	2L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5			fully	0.6	Medium	5-8			1st	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'White Max Graf'	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4			fully	0.6	Medium	5-8			1st	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'White Max Graf'	30-40dia	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	0.6	Medium	5-8			1st	M	☉				C	
Rosa 'White Max Graf'	40-60dia	10L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	1-2			fully	0.5	Medium	5-8			1st	M	☉				C	

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Rosmarinus officinalis	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4	3-4	E	fully	1-1.5	Medium	5-7			2nd-3rd	M & CH	○	D			C	
Rosmarinus officinalis	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	3-4	2-3	E	fully	1-1.5	Medium	5-7			2nd-3rd	M & CH	○	D			C	
Rosmarinus officinalis	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	2-3	1-2	E	fully	1-1.5	Medium	5-7			2nd-3rd	M & CH	○	D			C	
Rosmarinus off. 'Miss Jessopps Upright' AGM	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4	4-5	E	fully	1-1.5	Medium	5-8			2nd	M & CH	○	D			C	
Rosmarinus off. 'Miss Jessopps Upright' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3	3-4	E	fully	1-1.5	Medium	5-8			2nd	M & CH	○	D			C	
Rosmarinus off. 'Miss Jessopps Upright' AGM	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 8 breaks	1-2	2-3	E	fully	1-1.5	Medium	5-8			2nd	M & CH	○	D			C	
Rosmarinus officinalis 'Prostrata'	20-30dia	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	frost	0.5	Medium	5-7			1st	M	○◐	D			C	
Rosmarinus officinalis 'Prostrata'	30-40dia	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	3-4		E	frost	0.5	Medium	5-7			1st	M	○◐	D			C	
Rubus pentalobus 'Green Carpet'	25-30 dia	2L		Full pot , min 5 breaks	4-5		E	fully	00.3 max	Fast	6-7			GC	M	○◐					
Rubus thibetanus AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5-2	Medium				3rd	M	○◐◐	D				
Rubus thibetanus AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5 breaks	1-2			fully	1.5-2	Medium				3rd	M	○◐◐					
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Ruscus aculeatus	30-40	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium		Nat	Bio	2nd	M & CH	◐◐	D				
Salix alba 'Chermesina' (britzensis) AGM	60-80		BR	0/1, branched, min 2 branches				fully	10+	Fast		Nat	Bio	4	M	○◐		W		C	
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Salix alba 'Chermesina' (britzensis) AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 7 breaks	1.5			fully	10+	Fast		Nat	Bio	4	M	○◐		W		C	
Salix alba 'Chermesina' (britzensis) AGM	80-100	10L		Branched, min 7 breaks	1			fully	10+	Fast		Nat	Bio	4-5	M	○◐		W		C	
Salix alba 'Vitellina'	60-80	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	2-3			fully	10+	Fast		Nat		4-5	M	○◐		W		C	
Salix alba 'Vitellina'	60-80	5L		Branched, min 7 breaks	1.5			fully	10+	Fast		Nat		4-5	M	○◐		W		C	
Salix alba 'Vitellina'	80-100	10L		Branched, min 7 breaks	1			fully	10+	Fast				4-5	M	○◐		W		C	
Salix eleaegnos	40-60		BR	0/1 Branched, min 3 breaks				fully	2-3	Fast				4-5	M	○◐		W		C	
Salix eleaegnos	60-80		BR	0/2 Branched, min 5 breaks				fully	2-3	Fast				4-5	M	○◐		W		C	
Salix eleaegnos	40-60	3L		Branched, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	2-3	Fast				4-5	M	○◐		W		C	
Salix lanata AGM	20-30	2L		Branched, min 2 breaks	4-6			fully	0.5-1	Slow				1st	M	○◐					
Salix lanata AGM	20-30	3L		Branched, min 2 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5-1	Slow				1st	M	○◐					
Salix lanata AGM	30-40	5L		Branched, min 4 breaks	2-3			fully	0.5-1	Slow				1st	M	○◐					

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Sambucus race. 'Sutherland Gold' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6			3rd	M & CH	☉	W				
Sambucus race. 'Sutherland Gold' AGM	60-90	10L		Branched, min 4 breaks	1-2			fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6			3rd	M & CH	☉	W				!
Sambucus nigra 'Black Lace'	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	3-4		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6	Nat		3rd	M & CH	☉	W				!
Sambucus nigra 'Black Lace'	80-90	10L		Branched, min 4 breaks	1-2		E	fully	1.5 to 3	Fast	5-6	Nat		3rd	M & CH	☉	W				!
Santolina chamaecyparissus AGM	15-20	2L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	4-5	E	fully	0.6 to .8	Medium	5-9			GC	M	☉	D	E	C		!
Santolina chamaecyparissus AGM	25-30	5L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	2-3	3-4	E	fully	0.6 to .8	Medium	5-9			GC	M	☉	D	E	C		
Santolina pinnata 'Ed Bowles'	15-20	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	4-5	E	fully	0.6 to .8	Medium	5-9			GC	M	☉					
Santolina pinnata 'Ed Bowles'	25-30	5L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	2-3	3-4	E	fully	0.6 to .8	Medium	5-9			GC	M	☉					
Santolina rosmarinifolia (virens) AGM	15-20	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5	4-5	E	fully	0.6 to .8	Medium	5-9			GC	M	☉	D	W	C		
Santolina rosmarinifolia (virens) AGM	25-30	5L		Bushy, min 9 breaks	2-3	3-4	E	fully	0.6 to .8	Medium	5-9			GC	M	☉	D	W	C		
Sarcococca confusa AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 3-4 breaks	4-5	5-6	E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	12-2		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	☉☉	W				
Sarcococca confusa AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5-6 breaks	3	4-5	E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	12-2		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	☉☉	W				
Sarcococca hookeriana digyna AGM	20-30	3L		Bushy, min 6-7 breaks	4-5	5-6	E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	12-2		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	☉☉					
Sarcococca hookeriana digyna AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 7-8 breaks	2-3	4-5	E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	12-2		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	☉☉					
Sarcococca hookeriana var humilis	20-30	3L		Bushy, min 6-7 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	12-2		Bio	GC-1st	M & CH	☉☉					
Sarcococca hookeriana var humilis	30-40	5L		Bushy, min 7-8 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 max	Slow	12-2		Bio	GC-1st	M & CH	☉☉					
Senecio vars - see Brachyglottis																					
Skimmia confusa 'Kew Green' AGM	30-40 dia	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5-1	Slow	4			1st-2nd	M & AC	☉					
Skimmia confusa 'Kew Green' AGM	40-60 dia	5L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5-1	Slow	4			1st-2nd	M & AC	☉					
Skimmia confusa 'Kew Green' AGM	60-80 dia	10L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5-1	Slow	4			1st-2nd	M & AC	☉					
Skimmia japonica	20-30	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.9-1.2	Slow	4		Bio	2nd	M & AC	☉☉					C
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Skimmia japonica	40-60	10L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.9-1.2	Slow	4		Bio	2nd	M & AC	☉☉					C
Skimmia japonica 'Rubella' AGM	20-30	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	3			1st-2nd	M & AC	☉					C
Skimmia japonica 'Rubella' AGM	30-40	5L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	3			1st-2nd	M & AC	☉					C
Skimmia japonica 'Rubella' AGM	40-60	10L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	1-2		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	3			1st-2nd	M & AC	☉					C
Spiraea japonica 'Anthony Waterer'	30-40	3L		Branched, min 6 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-9			2nd-3rd	M & CH	☉	D	E	C		
Spiraea japonica 'Anthony Waterer'	40-60	5L		Branched, min 7 breaks	2-3			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-9			2nd-3rd	M & CH	☉	D	E	C		

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Spiraea japonica 'Firelight'	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	4-5			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-9			2nd	M	○◐					
Spiraea japonica 'Firelight'	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-9			2nd	M	○◐					
Spiraea japonica 'Firelight'	60-80	10L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	2			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-6			2nd	M	○◐					
Spiraea nipponica 'Snowmound' AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, min 5 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-6			1st	M & CH	○◐	D	E	C		
Spiraea nipponica 'Snowmound' AGM	40-60	5L		Branched, min 7 breaks	2-3			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	5-6			1st	M & CH	○◐	D	E	C		
Symphoricarpos x chenaultii 'Hancock'	30-40	2L		Branched, min 5 breaks	5-6			fully	0.5 to 1.2	Fast	7-8		Bio	1st-2nd	M & CH	○◐	D	E	C	!	
Symphoricarpos x chenaultii 'Hancock'	40-60	5L		Branched, min 7 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5 to 1.2	Fast	7-8		Bio	1st-2nd	M & CH	○◐	D	E	C	!	
Symphoricarpus door. 'White Hedge'	40-60	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	3-4	3		fully	1 to 1.5	Fast	7-9		Bio	1st	M & CH	○◐●	D		C	!	
Symphoricarpus door. 'White Hedge'	60-80	5L		Branched, min 5-6 breaks	1-2	2		fully	1 to 1.5	Fast	7-9		Bio	1st	M & CH	○◐●	D		C	!	
Tamarix ramosissima 'Rosea'	40-60	3L		Branched, min 3 breaks	4			frost	2 to 3	Fast	6-8			3rd	M	○	D	E	C		
Ulex europaeus 'Flore Plena' AGM	20-30	3L		Bushy, min. 5 breaks	3-4	4-5	E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	4-6	Nat		2nd	AC	○	D	E	C		
Ulex europaeus 'Flore Plena' AGM	40-50	5L		Bushy, min. 7 breaks	2-3	2-3	E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	4-6	Nat		2nd	AC	○	D	E	C		
Viburnum x bodnantense 'Dawn' AGM	40-60	3L		Branched, min 2 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	10 on		Bio	2nd/F	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum x bodnantense 'Dawn' AGM	60-80	5L		Branched, min 3 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	10 on		Bio	2nd/F	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum x bodnantense 'Dawn' AGM	80-100	10L		Branched, min 4 breaks	1-2			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	10 on		Bio	2nd/F	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum davidii AGM	20-30 dia	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	6			2nd	M & CH	○◐	D				
Viburnum davidii AGM	30-40 dia	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	6			2nd	M & CH	○◐	D				
Viburnum x hillieri 'Winton' AGM	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4	3-4	SE	fully	1.5-2	Medium	5-6			3rd-4th	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum x hillieri 'Winton' AGM	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 3 breaks	3-4	3-4	SE	fully	1.5-2	Medium	5-6			3rd-4th	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum x hillieri 'Winton' AGM	60-90	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	1-2	1-2	SE	fully	1.5-2	Medium	5-6			3rd-4th	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum opulus 'Compactum' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5	4-5		fully	0.9-1.2	Slow	6	Nat		1st	M & CH	○◐	D	E			
Viburnum opulus 'Compactum' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3	3-4		fully	0.9 to 1.2	Slow	6	Nat		1st	M & CH	○◐	D	E			
Viburnum opulus 'Compactum' AGM	40-60	10L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	1-2	2		fully	0.9 to 1.2	Slow	6	Nat		1st	M & CH	○◐	D	E			
Viburnum plicatum 'Mariesii' AGM	40-60	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	5			1st	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum plicatum 'Mariesii' AGM	60-80	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	5			3rd	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum plicatum 'Shasta'	40-60 dia	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	3-4			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	5-6			3rd	M & CH	○◐					
Viburnum plicatum 'Shasta'	60-70 dia	5L		Bushy, min 6 breaks	2-3			fully	1.5 to 3	Medium	5-6			3rd	M & CH	○◐					

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shrubs	Spec21 size - cm	Spec21 pot size - Litre	Bare Root (in season)	Spec21 Specification - breaks(branches) should be in the lower third	Suggested planting density per square metre	Hedging suggested no. per linear metre	E- evergreen SE - semi-evergreen	Frost hardy/ fully hardy	Mature size - metres	Growth rate	Flowers- month	Native	Bio diversity	DesiGCn layer	Soil preferMce	Sun/semi shade/full shade preference	Very dry conditions	Very wet conditions	Exposed site	Coastal conditions	Potentially harmful (RHS)
Viburnum tinus 'Eve Price' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5	5	E	fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	11-5			3rd	M & CH	○◐					E
Viburnum tinus 'Eve Price' AGM	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	2-3	3	E	fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	11-5			3rd	M & CH	○◐					E
Viburnum tinus 'Eve Price' AGM	40-60	10L		Bushy, min 7 breaks	1-2	2	E	fully	1.5 to 2	Medium	11-5			3rd	M & CH	○◐					E
Viburnum tinus 'Gwenllian' AGM	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5	5	E	fully	1 to 1.5	Medium	11-5			3rd	M & CH	○◐					
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Viburnum tinus	30-40	3L		Bushy, min 4 breaks	4-5		E	fully	4	Medium	11-5			4th	M & CH	○◐					E
Viburnum tinus	40-60	5L		Bushy, min 5 breaks	3		E	fully	4	Medium	11-5			4th	M & CH	○◐					E
Vinca varieties - see groundcover section																					
Weigela florida 'Folius Purpureis' AGM	30-40	3L		Branched, min 4 breaks	3-4			fully	0.5 to 1.5	Medium	6		Bio	2nd-3rd	M & CH	○◐					
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Yucca filamentosa AGM	30-40	3L		Full crown	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		
Yucca filamentosa AGM	40-60	5L		Full crown	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		
Yucca filamentosa AGM	60-90	10L		Full crown	1-2		E	fully	0.5 to 1.5	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		
Yucca filamentosa 'Bright Edge' AGM	30-40	3L		Full crown	4-5		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		
Yucca filamentosa 'Bright Edge' AGM	40-60	5L		Full crown	2-3		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		
Yucca filamentosa 'Bright Edge' AGM	60-80	10L		Full crown	1-2		E	fully	0.5 to 1	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		
Yucca flaccida	30-40	3L		Full crown	4-5		E	fully	1 to 1.5	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		
Yucca flaccida	40-60	5L		Min 2 crowns	2-3		E	fully	1 to 1.5	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		
Yucca flaccida	60-80	10L		Min 2-3 crowns	1-2		E	fully	1 to 1.5	Slow	7-8			F	M & CH	○	D		C		

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