

Plant list: North-facing shady front garden

(D) Deciduous

(WG) Wintergreen - not strictly evergreen but keeps its leaves in milder climes

* Plants that self-seed or spread easily - usually easy to obtain free spares from friends & family, with quick growth results

** Plants that are surprisingly easy to propagate, but you'll need to wait 18 months for them to really get going

Grass-type plants

Liriope muscari

Carex oshimensis 'Everillo'

*Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Nigrescens'

Ferns

Athyrium niponicum var. Pictum (D)

Dryopteris erythrosora 'Brilliance'

Cyrtomium fortunei

*Dryopteris felix-mas (WG)

Perennials & ground cover

Euphorbia amygdaloides 'Purpurea'

Heuchera 'Spellbound' - or any of the beautiful purple cultivars

Helleborus foetidus Wester Flisk Group

*Vinca difformis

Geranium nodosum 'Silverwood' (D)

*Brunnera macrophylla 'Jack Frost' (D)

*Pulmonaria (D)

*Campanula portenschlagiana

*Viola riviniana Purpurea Group

Shrubs & small trees

Acer palmatum 'Orange Dream' (D)

**Sambucus nigra f. porphyrophylla 'Eva' (D)

Buxus sempervirens

Sarcococca hookeriana var. digyna 'Purple Stem'

Bulbs & corms

Crocus - various

Cyclamen - hederifolium and coum