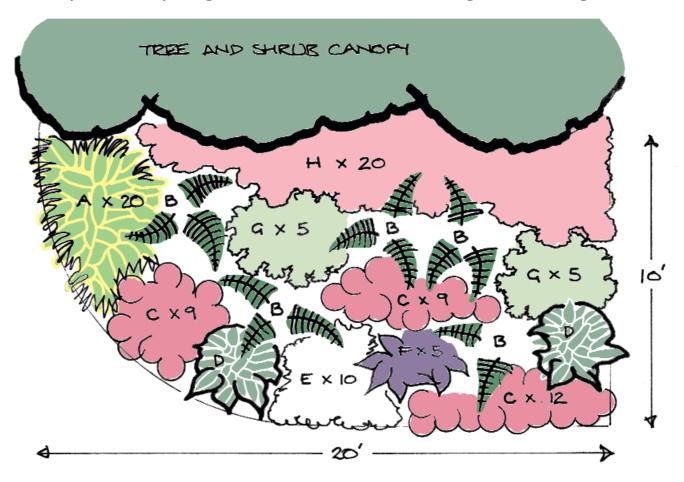
A Medley of Groundcovers for Shade

Turn a shady corner of your garden into an oasis of lush foliage and calming colors.



What Is Shade?

WORRYING ABOUT SHADE is common among gardeners, but it is the short sighted gardener who does not realize how beautiful a garden in the shade can be. Shade allows the gardener an opportunity to focus more closely on the shapes, sizes, and textures of leaves rather than brightly colored fleeting flowers.

The first step in growing a successful shade garden is recognizing what kind of shade you have, both in terms of the amount of light available and the amount of moisture. Shade is often described in three ways: full shade (no sunlight penetration or spring sunshine only, under deciduous trees), partial shade (up to ½ day of sunlight), and dappled shade (A mixture of light and shade as it comes through the canopy). In

A	LIRIOPE MUSCARI 'VARIEGATA'	20
В	ATHYRIUM FILIX-FEMINA	5
c	BERGENIA 'CABERNET'	30
D	HOSTA 'PATRIOT'	2
₽	TIARELLA 'SPRING SYMPHONY'	10
F	PULMONARIA SACCARATA 'MRS. MOON'	5
9	ALCHEMILLA MOLLIS	10
H	LAMIUM 'PINK PEWTER'	20

addition to light levels, the moisture level of the soil often varies greatly between damp and dry.

The plants in this plan do well with moist, well-draining partial shade or dappled shade. Improve poor, thin shaded soil with the gradual addition of compost and organic matter, which helps to get young plants started. W