

Plants that Tolerate Moist Soils

Soils that are consistently moist or occasionally wet (the soil is completely saturated) can be difficult places to get plants to grow. When selecting plants for these sites, it is important to choose wisely – not all plants can thrive in this situation. This is a list of plants that can tolerate and even thrive in consistently moist soils.

Trees:

- Ash
- Birch (River)
- Cottonwood
- Elm
- Hackberry
- Larch
- Linden (American)
- Maple (Red, Silver, Amur)
- Serviceberry
- Oak (Pin and Swamp White)
- Willow

Evergreens:

- Arborvitae
- Balsam Fir

Shrubs:

- Barberry
- Buttonbush
- Chokeberry
- Clethra (Summersweet)
- Dogwood
- Honeysuckle
- Serviceberry
- Snowberry
- Sweetspire
- Viburnum
- Willow
- Winterberry
- Witchhazel

Perennials and Groundcovers:

- Anise Hyssop
- Aster
- Astilbe
- Black Snakeroot
- Brunnera
- Chelone (Turtlehead)
- Ferns
- Goatsbeard
- Hardy Hibiscus
- Hosta
- Indian Grass (Ornamental Grass)
- Iris
- Jacob's Ladder
- Joe Pye Weed
- Liatris
- Ligularia
- Lobelia
- Lungwort
- Monarda
- Pachysandra
- Purple Coneflower
- Queen of the Prairie (Filipendula)
- Rudbeckia (Inc. Herbstonne)
- Spiderwort
- Swamp Milkweed (Asclepia)