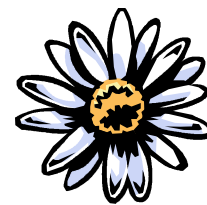


Long Blooming Perennials

Gray Barn Green Thumb Guide



A popular customer request is a plant that will bloom all year. Flowering requires a lot of work from a plant, which is why they don't bloom nonstop, year round. There are some perennials that will bloom for months on their own and others that need a little extra care to keep blooming. The following list includes perennials that bloom for two months or longer and the months in which they bloom. Those with an asterisk * will bloom even longer with deadheading or trimming after the first blooms have faded. For perennials to flower for long lengths of time they need a lot of sun. (See other side for shade perennials and additional information.)

Blanket Flower	Gaillardia	Jun-Oct
Bellflower	Campanula 'Birch Hybrid'	Jul-Sept
Candytuft	Iberis	Mar-May
Cape Fuchsia	Phygelius	Jun-Sept
Catmint	Nepeta 'Walkers Low'	Jun-Aug*
Coneflower	Echinacea	Jun-Sept*
Cranesbill	Hardy Geranium	Jun-Oct
Hyssop	Agastache	Jun-Aug
Knautia	Knautia	Jun-Sept
Lavender	Lavandula	Jun-Aug
Masterwort	Astrantia	Jun-Sept
Pincushion Flower	Scabiosa 'House Hybrids'	Jun-Sept*
Rockcress	Arabis	Mar-May
Rose Campion	Lychnis 'Gardener's World'	May-Sept
Tree mallow	Lavatera	May-Sept
Sage	Salvia 'Eveline'	Jun-Aug*
Shasta Daisy	Leucanthemum	May-Aug*
Speedwell	Veronica	Jun-Aug*
Spiderwort	Tradescantia	Jun-Sept*
Sweet William	Dianthus 'First Love'	Apr-Sept*
Tickseed	Coreopsis 'Flying Saucer'	Jun-Sept*
Viola	Viola 'Etain'	Apr-Oct*
Wand Flower	Gaura	Jun-Sept
Wind Flower	Anemone blanda	Mar-May
Woody Sage	Salvia microphylla	Jun-Oct
Yarrow	Achillea	Jun-Sept

Long Blooming Shade Perennials

Candelabra Primrose	Primula 'Miller's Crimson'	Apr-Jun
Hardy Fuchsia	Fuchsia	Jun-Oct
Hellebore	Helleborus	Jan-Mar

Please don't view the above shade perennials as the only ones that will flower in the shade. There are many perennials that put on a good flower show in the shade. They just don't bloom for the length of time that the others do. Shade gardens offer a lot of color, especially in the early spring with primroses, violas, epimedium and much more. As long as your shady spot has a couple of hours of sun, two to three ideally, there are many perennial options for shade.

Resources

Perennials for Every Purpose by Larry Hodgson, 2000