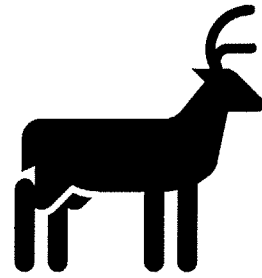


DEER- RESISTANT NATIVE PLANTS



Living with Deer

Damage to landscape plants tends to increase along with the growing population of white-tailed deer in rural and suburban areas of New England. When you choose plants less favored by deer, you can often reduce some of the impact of browsing. However, no plant will resist deer feeding under all conditions. *A hungry deer will almost any plant.*

Protect New Trees and Shrubs

In late winter and early spring deer prefer to feed on young trees and shrubs. Protect newly planted trees and shrubs with sturdy, wire mesh barriers. Where deer browsing is heavy, leave barriers in place until plants are well established and can tolerate browsing.

Plants Less Favored By Deer

TREES

Alder, Common, *Alnus serrulata*
Ash, Green, *Fraxinus pennsylvanica*
Bayberry, Northern, *Morella pensylvanica*
Beech, American *Fagus grandifolia*
Birch, Gray, *Betula populifolia*
Birch, Paper, *Betula papyrifera*
Birch, River, *Betula nigra*
Birch, Sweet, *Betula lenta*
Birch, Yellow *Betula alleghaniensis*
Catalpa, Northern *Catalpa speciosa*
Cedar, Atlantic White *Chamaecyparis thyoides*
Hemlock, Eastern, *Tsuga canadensis*
Eastern red cedar, *Juniperus virginiana*
Holly, American, *Ilex opaca*
Honey Locust *Gleditsia triacanthos*
Hop Hornbeam *Ostrya virginiana*
Maple, Silver, *Acer saccharinum*
Pine, White, *Pinus strobus*
Pine, Pitch *Pinus rigida*
Pine, Red *Pinus resinosa*
Sassafras, Common *Sassafras albidum*
Spruce, White *Picea glauca*
Sycamore, American, *Platanus occidentalis*
Sweetgum *Liquidambar styraciflua*
Tupelo, *Nyssa sylvatica*
Hawthorn, Washington, *Crataegus phaenopyrum*

SHRUBS

Barberry, Red *Mahonia haematocarpa*
Bayberry *Myrica spp.*
Beautybush *Kolkwitzia amabilis*
Buckeye, Bottlebrush *Aesculus parviflora*
Dogwood, Flowering *Cornus florida*
Dogwood, Gray, *Cornus racemosa*
Dogwood, Red Osier *Cornus sericea*
Holly, American *Ilex opaca*
Holly, Inkberry *Ilex glabra*
Laurel, Mountain *Kalmia latifolia*
Leucothoe, Drooping *Leucothoe fontanesiana*
New Jersey Tea *Ceanothus americanus*
Witch Hazel *Hamamelis virginiana*.

HERBACEOUS PLANTS

Black Cohosh *actaea racemosa*
Red Baneberry *Acea rubua*
Wild Leek *Alium tricoccum*
Common Bluestar *Amosonia tabernaemontana*
Field Pussytoes *Antennaria neglecta*
Wild Columbine *Aquilegia canadensis*
Bearberry *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*
Goat's Beard *Aruncus dioicus*
Wild Ginger *Asarum canadense*
Butterfly Weed *Asclepias tuberosa*
New England Aster *Aster nova-angliae*
Yellow Wild Indigo *Bastisia tinctora*
Purple Coneflower *Echinacea purpurea*
Boneset *Eupatorium perfoliatum*
Wild Strawberry *Fragaria virginiana*
Cardinal Flower *Lobelia cardinalis*
Lupine *Lupinus perennis*
Bergamot *Monarda fistula*
Dotted Mint *Monarda punctata*
Golden Groundsel *Packera aurea*
Smooth Penstemon *Penstemon digitalis*
Hairy Beadtongue *Penstemon hirsutus*
Black Eyed Susan *Rubecia Hirta*
Hoary Vervain *Verbena stricta*
Ironweed *Veronia fasciculata*

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RABBIT- RESISTANT (mostly) NATIVE PLANTS



Living with Rabbits

Damage to landscape plants is increasing from growing population of Eastern Cottontail rabbits. When you choose plants less favored by rabbits, you can often reduce some of the impact of browsing. However, no plant will resist rabbits feeding under all conditions. A hungry rabbit will almost any plant, including tender bark of young trees and shrubs, especially those in the *Prunus* family (e.g., cherry, plum, beach plum, etc.).

Protect New Trees and Shrubs

Protect newly planted trees and shrubs with sturdy, wire mesh barriers. Where rabbit browsing is heavy, leave barriers in place until plants are well established and can tolerate browsing.

Plants Less Favored by Rabbits

PERENNIALS & WOODY PLANTS

Anise Hyssop (*Agastache foeniculum*)
Artemisia 'Silver Mound' (*Artemisia schmidtiana*)
Aster, New England (*Symphotrichum novae-angliae*)
Astilbe (*Astilbe spp.*)
Avens (*Geum spp.*)
Baptisia (*Baptisia spp.*)
Bachelor's button (*Centaurea montana*)
Bee Balm (*Monarda spp.*)
Bleeding heart (*Dicentra spectabilis*)
Butterfly bush (*Buddleia davidii*) (NOTE: butterfly weed seems to be a special favorite of rabbits)
Candytuft (*Iberis sempervirens*)
Columbine (*Aquilegia spp.*)
Coreopsis (*Coreopsis spp.*)
Daylily (*Hemerocallis spp.*)
Dutchman's breeches (*Dicentra cucullaria*)
Evergreens (e.g., juniper, cypress, arbovitae, cedar, spruce, fir, holly, boxwood)
Fescue, Blue (*Festuca glauca*)
Foxglove (*Digitalis spp.*)
Goldenrod (*Solidago spp.*)
Grass, Purple Fountain (*Pennisetum setaceum* 'Purpureum')

Grass, Little Bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)
Hellebore (*Helleborus spp.*)
Joe Pye Weed (*Eutrochium*)
Lady's-Mantle (*Alchemilla spp.*)
Lamb's Ear (*Stachys byzantina*)
Larkspurs (*Delphinium spp.*)
Lavender (*Lavandula spp.*)
Lobelia (*Lobelia spp.*)
Lungwort (*Pulmonaria spp.*)
Milkweed (*Asclepias spp.*)
Monkshood (*Aconitum spp.*)
Peony (*Paeonia spp.*)
Poppy (*Papaver spp.*)
Red Hot Poker (*Kniphofia spp.*)
Rhododendron (*Rhododendron spp.*)
Salvia (*Salvia spp.*)
Sedum (*Sedum spp.* and *Hylotelephium spp.*)
Veronica (*Veronica spp.*)
Yarrow (*Achillea spp.*)
Snow-in-summer (*Cerastium tomentosum*)

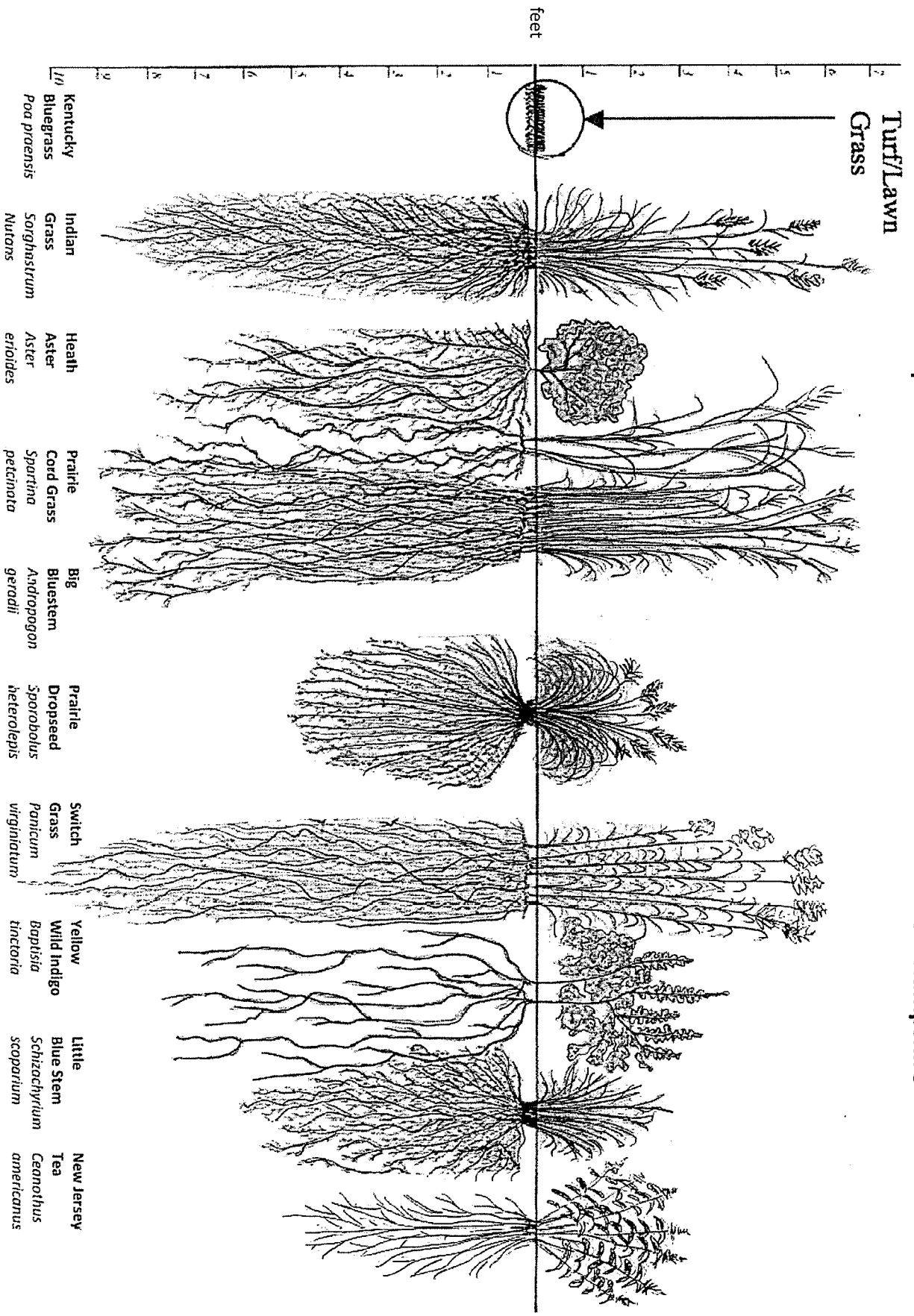
BULB PLANTS

Alliums (*Allium*)
Spanish bluebells (*Hyacinthoides hispanica*)
Daffodil (*Narcissus spp.*)
Fritillaria (*Fritillaria spp.*)

ANNUALS

Alyssum, Sweet (*Lobularia maritima*)
Begonias, wax (*Begonia spp.*)
Calendula (*Calendula officinalis*)
Cleome (*Cleome spp.*)
Cornflower (*Centaurea cyanus*)
Geranium (*Pelargonium & Geranium spp.*)
Lantana (*Lantana camara*)
Marigolds (*Tagetes spp.*)
Snapdragons (*Antirrhinum spp.*)
Spider Flower (*Cleome spp.*)
Starflower (*Borago officinalis*)
Stock flower (*Matthiola incana*)
Verbena (*Verbena spp.*)
Vinca, Annual (*Catharanthus roseus*)
Zinnias (*Zinnia spp.*)

Deep Rooted Plants Native to Massachusetts and New Hampshire



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