

Suggested Low Growing Riparian Buffer Plants for Virginia Northern Neck

Partly Shady Upper Bank (3-6 Hours of Sun), No Inundation

Plant requirements: deer resistant, drought tolerant once established, <4' to maintain views.

Retaining recommended for slopes > 30%.



Groundcovers

 Alleghany Spurge <i>Pachysandra procumbens</i> *JCN	 Blue-Eyed Grass <i>Syrinchium angustifolium</i> *LBJ	 Creeping Woodland Phlox <i>Phlox stolonifera</i> 'Sherwood Purple'*+SP
 Golden Ragwort <i>Packera aurea</i> *JV,LBJ	 Green and Gold <i>Chrysogonum virginianum</i> *CN	 Pennsylvania Sedge <i>Carex pennsylvanica</i> *CN
		 Woodland Phlox <i>Phlox divaricata</i> 'Blue Moon'+CN
		 Woodland Stonecrop <i>Sedum ternatum</i> *CN

Evergreen Shrubs

 Distylium <i>Distylium myricoides</i> 'Vintage Jade'+CN	 Dwarf American Holly <i>Ilex opaca</i> 'Maryland Spreader'*JCN	 Dwarf Yaupon Holly <i>Ilex vomitoria</i> 'Bordeaux'*+CN
		 Dwarf Wax Myrtle <i>Myrica cerifera</i> 'Strawberry Shortcake'*CN
		 Virginia Switch Grass <i>Panicum virgatum</i> 'Shenandoah'*+SP

Deciduous Shrubs

 Glossy Abelia <i>Abelia grandiflora</i> 'Rose Creek'+CN	 Chinese Fringe Flower <i>Loropetalum chinense</i> 'Purple Daydream'CN	 Slender Deutzia <i>Deutzia gracilis</i> 'Yuki Cherry Blossom'+JPW
		 Summersweet <i>Clethra alnifolia</i> 'Hummingbird'*+CN
		 Virginia Sweetspire <i>Itea virginica</i> 'Scentlandia'*+CN

Perennials

 Aromatic Aster <i>Symphyotrichum oblongifolium</i> 'October Skies'*+JCN	 Black-Eyed Susan <i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i> 'Goldsturm'*+JCN	 Bluestar <i>Amsonia tabernaemontana</i> *SP
		 Blue Wild Indigo <i>Baptisia australis</i> *+CN
		 Blue Wood Aster <i>Symphyotrichum cordifolius</i> *JVCN
 Eastern Showy Aster <i>Eurybia spectabilis</i> *LBJ	 Mountain Mint <i>Pycnanthemum muticum</i> *VCN	 Obedient Plant <i>Physostegia virginiana</i> 'Vivid'*VCN
		 Rough Goldenrod <i>Solidago rugosa</i> 'Fireworks'*CN
		 Eastern Showy Aster <i>Eurybia spectabilis</i> *LBJ
 Virginia Spiderwort <i>Tradescantia virginiana</i> *JVCN	 White Wood Aster <i>Eurybia divaricatus</i> *JVCN	 Wild Columbine <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> *VCN
		 Wreath Goldenrod <i>Solidago caesia</i> *JSP
		 Yellow Wild Indigo <i>Baptisia tinctoria</i> *LBJ

*Native/Native Cultivar; +Additional low growing cultivars available; J Juglone/Black Walnut tolerant; V Vigorous spreader

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