

Suggested Low Growing Riparian Buffer Plants for Virginia Northern Neck

Sunny Upper Bank (>6 Hours of Sun), No Inundation

Plant requirements: deer resistant, drought tolerant once established,
<4' to maintain views. Retaining recommended for slopes >30%.



Deciduous Shrubs



Chinese Fringe Flower
Loropetalum chinense
'Purple Daydream'^{CN}



Dwarf Fragrant Sumac
Rhus aromatica
'Gro Low'^{*V_{CN}}



Creeping Phlox
Phlox subulata
'Emerald Blue'^{*+SP}

Evergreen Shrubs



Distylium
Distylium myricoides
'Vintage Jade'^{+CN}



Dwarf Yaupon Holly
Ilex vomitoria
'Bordeaux'^{*+CN}



Eastern Red Cedar
Juniperus virginiana
'Grey Owl'^{*CN}



Dwarf Wax Myrtle
Myrica cerifera 'Strawberry
Shortcake'^{*CN}

Grasses



Little Bluestem
Schizachrium scoparium
'Prairie Blues'^{*+SP}



Pink Muhly Grass
Muhlenbergia capillaris^{*SP}



Purple Love Grass
Eragrostis spectabilis^{*V_{SP}}



Ruby Muhly Grass
Muhlenbergia reverchonii
'Undaunted'^{SP}



Virginia Switch Grass
Panicum virgatum
'Shenandoah'^{*+SP}

Perennials



Aromatic Aster
Symphyotrichum oblongifolium^{*}
'October Skies'^{*+CN}



Autumn Sage
Salvia greggii
'Furman's Red'^{+CN}



Black-Eyed Susan
Rudbeckia fulgida
'Goldsturm'^{*+CN}



Blue Wild Indigo
Baptisia australis^{*+CN}



Butterfly Weed
Asclepias tuberosa^{*CN}



Catmint
Nepeta faassenii
'Walker's Low'^{+SP}



Eastern Showy Aster
Eurybia spectabilis^{*LBJ}



False Sunflower
Heliopsis helianthoides
'Tuscan Gold'^{*+CN}



Lanceleaf Coreopsis
Coreopsis lanceolata^{*V_{CN}}



Mountain Mint
Pycnanthemum muticum^{*V_{CN}}



Obedient Plant
Physostegia virginiana
'Vivid'^{*+V_{CN}}



Rough Goldenrod
Solidago rugosa
'Fireworks'^{*SP}



Thread-leaf Bluestar
Amsonia hubrichtii^{CN}



Yellow Wild Indigo
Baptisia tinctoria^{*LBJ}



Yarrow
Achillea millefolium
'Paprika'^{+CN}

*Native/Native Cultivar; +Additional low growing cultivars available; V Vigorous spreader

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