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2012 Groundcovers

Mary's Greenhouse carries the following plants that are useful as groundcovers in various situations. Light and moisture needs vary. Some are best suited to be used as filling the spaces between paving stones, spilling over rock walls, or defining the edges of a border. Others are useful for covering large areas of ground in a relatively short amount of time (*see note at end of list*). Plants in this last category are denoted in the list by an asterisk*.

Aegopodium podagraria 'Variegatum' (Bishop's Weed) – partial shade
Ajuga reptans 'Bronze Beauty' – partial shade
Ajuga reptans 'Burgundy Glow' – partial shade
Ajuga reptans 'Chocolate Chip' – partial shade
Ajuga reptans 'Golden Glow' – partial shade
Ajuga reptans 'Mahogany' – partial shade
Cerastium tomentosum (Snow in Summer) – part sun to part shade
Ceratostigma plumaginoides (False Plumbago) – sun to partial shade
Delosperma (Hardy Ice Plant and its various cultivars) – full sun
Dianthus (some cultivars) – full sun
Erodium (Heron's Bill) – full sun
Euonymus fortunei 'Colorata'* (Purple Wintercreeper) – sun or shade
Galium odoratum (Sweet Woodruff) – partial to full shade
Hedera helix* (English Ivy and various cultivars) – sun or shade
Herniaria glabra (Rupturewort) – sun or shade
Houttuynia cordata 'Chameleon' – partial shade to shade
Hypericum cerastoides 'Silvana' (St. John's Wort) – sun to part sun
Hypericum calycinum* (Creeping St. John's Wort) – sun to light shade
Iberis sempervirens (Candytuft) – full sun
Isotoma *See Laurentia*
Jasmine nudiflorum (Winter Jasmine) – partial sun
Lamiaeum 'Herman's Pride' – partial to full shade
Lamium (Deadnettle, various cultivars) – partial to full shade
Laurentia (Blue Star Creeper) – partial shade
Leptinella squalida 'Platt's Black' – full sun
Liriope muscari 'Big Blue' (Monkey Grass) – sun or shade
Liriope muscari 'Christmas Tree' (Monkey Grass) – sun or shade
Liriope muscari 'Monroe's White' (Monkey Grass) – sun or shade

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Liriope muscari ‘Royal Purple’ (Monkey Grass) – sun or shade
 Liriope spicata (Creeping Monkey Grass) – partial sun to shade
 Liriope spicata ‘Silver Dragon’ (Creeping Monkey Grass) part sun to shade
 Lysimachia nummularia (Green Creeping Jenny) – part sun to part shade
 Lysimachia nummularia ‘Aurea’ (Gold Creeping Jenny) – part sun to
 part shade
 Mazus reptans (blue-flowered) – partial sun to partial shade
 Mazus reptans ‘Alba’ (white-flowered) – partial sun to partial shade
 Melissa officinalis (Lemon Balm) – full sun to partial shade
 Mints – full sun to light shade
 Muehlenbeckia axillaris (Creeping Wirevine) – sun to light shade
 Ophiopogon japonicus (Mondo Grass) – partial to full shade
 Ophiopogon japonicus ‘Nana’ (Dwarf Mondo Grass) – partial to full shade
 Ophiopogon japonicus ‘Silver Mist’ (Variegated Mondo Grass) – partial
 to full shade
 Ophiopogon planiscapus ‘Nigrescens’ (Black Mondo Grass) – partial to
 full shade
 Oregano – full sun
 Pachysandra terminalis* (Spurge) – partial to full shade
 Pachysandra terminalis ‘Green Sheen’* (Spurge) – partial to full shade
 Pachysandra terminalis ‘Silver Edge’* (Spurge) – partial to full shade
 Phlox subulata (Creeping Phlox) – full sun to light shade
 Pennyroyal – sun to partial shade
 Pleioblastus distichus* (Dwarf Bamboo) – partial sun to partial shade
 Pleioblastus fortunei (Dwarf Whitestripe Bamboo) – partial shade
 Rubus calycinoideus (Creeping Raspberry) – full sun to light shade
 Sagina subulata (Irish Moss) – full sun to partial shade
 Sagina subulata ‘Aurea’ (Scotch Moss) – full sun to partial shade
 Saponaria ocymoides (Rock Soapwort) – full sun
 Thymus praecox arcticus (Red Creeping Thyme) – full sun
 Thymus praecox arcticus (White Creeping thyme) – full sun
 Verbena (Homestead colors) – full sun
 Veronica peduncularia ‘Georgia Blue’ – partial sun
 Veronica repens – partial sun
 Vinca minor* (Myrtle) – partial sun to shade
 Vinca minor ‘Ralph Shugart’ (Myrtle) – partial sun to shade

Note: Many groundcovers don't attain full speed in their first season. Some, such as English Ivy and Dwarf Bamboo, follow the "three-year rule": the first year it sleeps, the second year it creeps, the third year it takes over. It's also good to remember that what makes some plants such good ground-covers is their very aggressive nature once established. Care should be exercised when placing these so as to avoid a future maintenance nightmare.