LAYOUT SUGGESTIONS FOR PLANTING

Semi-Shade Woodland Garden

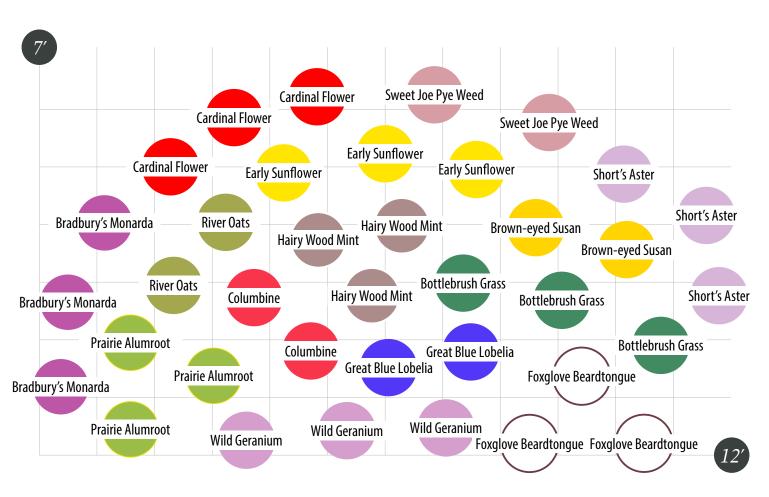
FOR MEDIUM SOILS

Our high-value kits of 38 plants boast 14 species. A kit will start a garden of approximately 100 square feet; this could be an area measuring seven by twelve feet. With a smaller planting such as (or even up to a couple hundred square feet) there are some basic design ideas to consider when placing plants within the garden.

DISPERSED: By trying to evenly disperse each species of plant in the kit throughout the planting area, you will maximize the visual interplay between plants and take maximum advantage of the self-seeding and natural spreading capacity of each plant. It may be practical to place the taller plants toward the center or back so that they are better contained within the garden. For a true naturalized garden this may be the best way to start.

GROUPS AND DRIFTS: Sometimes people like to see a bit more immediate order to their planting. This could be achieved by grouping each species in its own sector of the garden or elongating these groups into loose lines or drifts of plants. Our kits can be augmented with a Mix & Match tray of four to six species to add larger groupings or drifts of favorite species.





* We may need to substitute appropriate species, without notice, in the case of unexpected greenhouse failures or sold out species later in the season.

In this kit we placed plants according to height and sun-exposure. Taller plants like Sweet Joe Pye Weed, and Early Sunflower in the back assume the site is up against a fence, house, or hillside. To replicate a scenario where half of the planting site receives a little more sun, species like Bradbury's Monarda, Wild Geranium, and Foxglove Beardtongue were placed in the "sunnier" edge. Since many woodland species are often difficult or slow to grow from seed, this kit could be augmented with individual bare roots of non-ephemeral species such as Ferns, Wild Ginger, Jack-in-the-Pulpit, May Apple, or Solomon's Plume. *This layout is just a suggestion*.