Below is a list of the most commonly used shrubs, trees, vines and turf grasses for Arkansas conditions. Plant materials are divided into use categories, but these are merely suggestions.

**Foundation Plantings**

**Front of Buildings – Broadleaf Evergreens**

- Fatsia japonica, 6' - 8' (shade)*
- Camellia japonica, 12’ - 15’ (shade)*
- Camellia sasanqua, 10’ - 12’ (shade)*
- Cleyera japonica, 8’ - 10’ (shade)*
- Compacta holly, 5’ - 7’
- Azalea (Kurume type), 3’ - 4’
- Mugho pine, 4’
- Carolina jasmine (vine)
- Santolina, 2’ - 3’ (sun)
- Carissa holly, 3’ - 4’
- Redleaf barberry, 4’ - 5’
- Yucca, 4’ - 8’ (sun)
- Azalea (Indica type), 6’ - 8’*
- Burfordi holly, 15’ - 25’
- Dwarf Burfordi holly, 6’ - 8’
- Fosteri holly, 12’ - 15’
- Dwarf yaupon holly, 3’ - 4’
- Mahonia bealei, 8’ - 10’ (shade)
- Nandina domestica, 5’ - 6’
- Dwarf Chinese holly, 3’ - 4’
- Aucuba, 4’ - 6’ (shade)*
- Pyracantha, 12’ - 15’
- Creeping junipers (many varieties), 1/2’ - 3’ (sun)
- Dwarf nandina, 12” - 18”

**Sides and Backs of Buildings**

- Abelia grandiflora, 5’ - 7’
- Azalea, 1 1/2’ - 10’
- Bridal wreath spirea, 5’ - 6’
- Cleyera japonica, 8’ - 10’*
- Forsythia, 6’ - 8’
- Hydrangea, 4’ - 5’ (shade)
- Mahonia bealei, 8’ (shade)
- Nandina domestica, 6’
- Weigela, 6’ - 8’
- Gardenia, 12’ - 15’*
- Flowering quince, 6’ - 8’

**Planter Materials – Outside**

- Aucuba, 4’ - 6’*
- Dwarf yaupon holly, 3’ - 4’
- English ivy (vine)
- Dwarf Chinese holly, 3’ - 4’
- Euonymus coloratus (vine)
- Helleri holly, 2’ - 3’
- Creeping junipers (many varieties), 1/2’ - 3’
- Rock cotoneaster, 2’ - 3’
- Dwarf nandina, 12” - 18”

**Espaliers**

- Dwarf Burfordi holly, 10’ - 12’
- Dwarf apple, 10’ - 15’
- Dwarf pear, 15’ - 20’
- Pyracantha, 15’ - 20’
- Russian olive, 15’ - 20’
- Cleyera japonica, 8’ - 10’ (shade)

*Central to south Arkansas
Trees – Small to Medium

Cherry laurel (evergreen), 30’ - 35’
Dogwood, 25’ - 30’
Flowering crab, 15’ - 30’
Magnolia grandiflora (evergreen), 60’
Crape myrtle, 20’ - 25’
Japanese maple, 15’ - 25’
Magnolia soulangeana, 30’ - 35’
Golden raintree, 30’ - 35’
Sassafras, 30’ - 35’
Redleaf Japanese maple, 25’ - 30’
Deciduous holly, 20’ - 25’
Yaupon holly (evergreen), 20’ - 25’
Redbud, 30’ - 35’
River birch, 20’ - 40’
Bradford pear, 30’ - 40’
Chinese pistache, 30’ - 35’

Ground Covers

English ivy, 8" - 12"
Euonymus coloratus, 12" - 18"
Ajuga, 5" - 6"
Pachysandra, 8"
Winter creeper euonymus, 8" - 1’
Mondo grass (Monkey grass), 6" - 12"
Vinca (major and minor), 6" - 8"
Creeping junipers (full sun), 6" - 18"
Liriope, 15" - 18"

Screening Materials

Elaeagnus, 8' - 12'
Abelia, 6' - 8'
Burfordi holly, 10' - 15'
Pampus grass, 6' - 8'
Nellie Stevens Holly, 12' - 15'
Yaupon holly, 20' - 25'
Leatherleaf Viburnum, 8' - 12'

Shade Trees

Ash sp., 50' - 100'
Ginkgo, 75' - 80'
Hackberry, 90'
Pecan (Deltas), 100'
American linden, 60'
Tulip tree - Yellow poplar, 100'
River birch, 60' - 80'
Pin oak, 60' - 80'
Sugar maple, 60' - 90'
Southern red oak, 70' - 80'
White oak, 100'
Willow oak, 100'
Black gum, 100'
Cypress, 75'
Water oak, 60' - 80'

Turf Grasses

Warm Season

Bermuda grasses
Zoysia grasses
Centipede*

Cool Season

Fescue sp.
Ryegrass

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