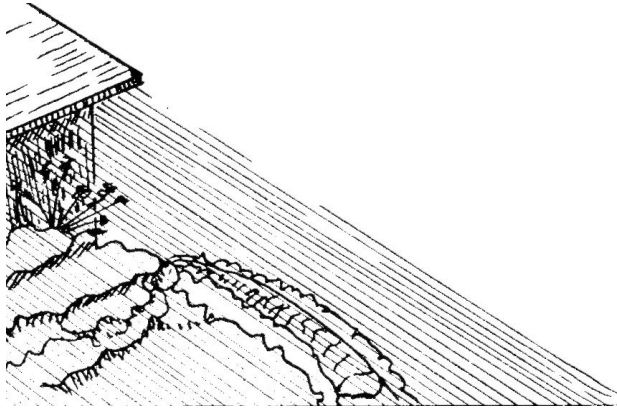


## ANNUALS FOR SHADE



Flowering annual plants bloom from spring to fall. They **don't overwinter**, but the **reward of low maintenance continuous color** is worth the effort of planting out in May.

The bright, glowing colors of **flowering annuals**, mixed with **foliage** plants and **grasses** will create a tapestry of **light and texture** in the shade of trees or in the shadow of a neighboring building.

Prepare the soil for annuals as you would for a vegetable garden. **The same steps apply.** → See **Growing Tips 18** Plan a Vegetable Garden.

FLOWERING ANNUALS	Prefers	Color
Browallia ( <i>Browallia speciosa</i> )	●●△△	B,I,V,W
Flowering Tobacco ( <i>Nicotiana glauca</i> )	○●△△	R,Y,G,W,P
Foxglove, Camelot™ series ( <i>Digitalis</i> hybrid)	●△	Y,V,W,P
Fuchsia ( <i>Fuchsia x hybrida</i> )	●●△△	R,I,V,W,P
Impatiens ( <i>Impatiens wallerana</i> )	●●△△	R,O,V,W,P
Lobelia ( <i>Lobelia erinus</i> )	●●△△	B,I,V,W,P
New Guinea Impatiens ( <i>Impatiens hawkeri</i> )	●●△△	R,O,V,W,P
Pansy, Viola ( <i>Viola</i> spp.)	○●△△	R,O,Y,B,I,V,W,P
Rieger Begonia ( <i>Begonia x hiemalis</i> )	○●△△	R,O,Y,W,P
Tuberous Begonia ( <i>Begonia x tuberhybrida</i> )	●●△△	R,O,Y,W,P
Twinspur ( <i>Diascia</i> hybrid)	●△△	R,O,W,P
Wax Begonia ( <i>Begonia x semperflorens</i> )	○●△△	R,W,P
Wishbone Flower ( <i>Torenia</i> hybrid)	●●△△	Y,V,W,P
FOLIAGE ANNUALS		
Bloodleaf ( <i>Iresine herbstii</i> )	●●△	R,O,G,V,W,P multi
Joseph's Coat ( <i>Alternanthera ficoidea</i> )	●●△	R,O,Y,G,V,P multi
Coleus ( <i>Solenostemon</i> hybrids)	●●△	R,O,Y,G,V,P multi
Fancy-leaved Caladium ( <i>Caladium bicolor</i> )	●△△	R,O,G,V,W,P multi
Rex Begonia ( <i>Begonia rex</i> hybrid)	●●△	R,O,G,V,P multi
Shamrock ( <i>Oxalis</i> spp.)	●●△	O,Y,G,V
Perilla ( <i>Perilla frutescens</i> )	●△	R,G,V,P multi

○ Sun – 4 to 6 hours ● Part shade ● Shade  
 △ Average moisture △△ Steady moisture  
 Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Indigo, Violet. White, Pink

ANNUAL GRASSES	Prefers	Color
Sedge ( <i>Carex</i> spp.)	○●△△	O,Y,G,W
Ornamental Millet ( <i>Pennisetum</i> spp.)	○●△△	R, G, I,V,P

### Keep it Simple

- Combine **contrasting colors** for dramatic visual effect. **Multi-colored foliage** plants will tie everything together! Include tall plants for **architectural interest**.
- **Plant sturdy, well-grown young plants** after the last frost in your area.
- **Space** according to directions on the label. Plants should grow to touch each other to discourage weeds.
- **Mulch, then water with care** throughout the season, as necessary. → See **Growing Tips 6** Watering New Plantings

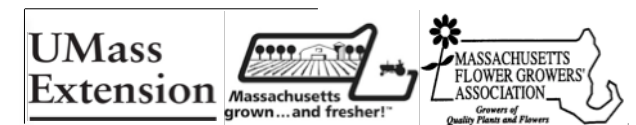
### Great Combos

Plants in the combinations below are listed by height, low to high.

- **Sun/Part shade:** twinspur, flowering tobacco, perilla, ornamental millet
- **Part shade:** impatiens, coleus, foxglove, sedge
- **Shade:** lobelia, wishbone flower, fancy-leaved caladium, Joseph's coat, sedge

### Nifty Note

Rieger and tuberous begonias, as well as fancy-leaved caladiums, have **tubers** (fat, root-like structures) that can be lifted in the fall, dried, and stored over winter.



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