



## HEDGE PLANTS

Hedges form the framework of the garden. Use them to define areas and to screen undesirable sightlines, as well as to form windbreaks and wildlife nesting areas. Consider repetition and variation and use of multiple layers rather than a single line of the same plant.

**Formal Hedges:** Clipped formal hedges make beautiful walls and are a great backdrop to flower gardens. Prune regularly to maintain uniform shape and density. Because too much shade at the base of the hedge could result in losing foliage, one best practice is to taper the hedge gradually toward the top. Some typical plant choices are boxwood, yew, privet, laurel, hemlock, roses, and holly.

**Informal Hedges:** This type of hedge may be less like a solid green 'wall' and more like a screen. Informal hedges can be the same plant or a mixture of 2-3 different types of plants. Oftentimes plants may be sheared very little, perhaps just a few times when younger in order to induce fuller growth. Incorporate flowering choices like sun tolerant rhododendrons, weigela, and spiraea, as well as textural elements like tall ornamental grasses.

1'-3'		5'-8'	
<u>Latin name</u>	<u>Common name</u>	<u>Latin name</u>	<u>Common name</u>
<i>Berberis t.</i> 'Bagatelle'	Dwarf barberry	<i>Choysia ternata</i>	Mexican orange
<i>Buxus s.</i> 'Suffruticosa'	Dwarf boxwood	<i>Corylus avellana</i> 'Contorta'	Contorted filbert
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	Heather	<i>Escallonia</i> 'Pink Princess' and 'Pride of Donard'	
<i>Euonymus j. microphylla</i>	Boxleaf Euonymous	<i>Euonymus japonica</i>	Euonymus
<i>Festuca ovina</i>	Blue fescue	<i>Ilex x meservae</i>	Blue meserve hollies
<i>Hebe sp.</i>	Hebe	<i>Ligustrum</i> 'Suwanee River'	Compact privet
<i>Nandina d.</i> 'Moon Bay'	Nandina	<i>Mahonia aquifolium</i>	Oregon grape
<i>Nandina d.</i> 'Firepower'	Nandina	<i>Nandina d.</i> 'Moyer's Red' and 'Plum Passion'	
<i>Nandina d.</i> 'Nana Purpurea'	Nandina	<i>Osmanthus delavayi</i>	Osmanthus
<i>Pyracantha</i> 'Red Elf'	Firethorn		
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	Germander		
<i>Santolina c.</i>	Lavender cotton		
<i>Vaccinium</i> vars. 'Northblue' 'North Country' 'Sunshine'			
3'-5'		Over 8'	
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<i>Berberis t.</i> 'Rose Glow'	Barberry	<i>Arbutus unedo</i> 'Compacta'	Strawberry bush
<i>Buxus m.</i> vars. 'Green Beauty' and 'Winter Gem'		<i>Buxus sempervirens</i>	English boxwood
<i>Cistus</i> 'Sunset'	Rockrose	<i>Camellia spp.</i>	Camellia
<i>Escallonia f.</i> 'Garland Dwarf'	Dwarf escallonia	<i>Chaenomeles japonica</i>	Flowering quince
<i>Ilex cornuta</i> 'Burford Nana'	Dwarf Chinese holly	<i>Cortaderia selloana</i>	Pampas grass
<i>Ilex crenata</i> 'Helleri'	Japanese holly	<i>Cotoneaster lacteus</i>	Parney's red cotoneaster
<i>Ilex crenata</i> 'Lemon Gem'	Japanese holly	<i>X Cupressocyparis leylandii</i>	Leyland cypress
<i>Miscanthus sinensis</i>	Maiden grass	<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>	Italian cypress
<i>Nandina d.</i> 'Compacta'	Nandina	<i>Eleagnus x ebbingei</i>	Russian olive
<i>Nandina d.</i> 'Gulf Stream'	Nandina	<i>Hibiscus syriacus</i>	Rose-of -Sharon
<i>Pieris japonica</i> 'Little Heath'	Dwarf pieris	<i>Ilex sp.</i>	Holly
<i>Rosa rugosa</i>	Shrub rose	<i>Ligustrum texanum</i>	Privet
<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	Rosemary	<i>Myrica californica</i>	Pacific wax myrtle
<i>Viburnum t.</i> 'Spring Beauty'	Dwarf viburnum	<i>Osmanthus burkwoodii</i>	Osmanthus
		<i>Photinia fraseri</i>	Red-tipped photinia
		<i>Prunus laurocerasus</i>	Cherry laurel
		<i>Pyracantha</i>	Firethorn
		<i>Taxus sp.</i>	Yew
		<i>Thuja x 'Green Giant'</i>	Green Giant arborvitae
		<i>Thuja plicata</i>	Western red cedar
		<i>Viburnum opulus</i>	Snowball bush

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