

# DEER RESISTANT

## Hollandia Nurseries Care Sheet Deer Resistant Plants

Deer, if hungry enough, can and will eat any of these plants, but they are low on their shopping list. Generally speaking, deer avoid strong-smelling plants, like mint and *lamium*, and plants that are either poisonous or have silver, prickly or fuzzy leaves. Deer browsing varies from region to region, neighborhood to neighborhood, house to house. Only you can determine through observation and trial and error what works for you. Hollandia has compiled a list based on a state study (*Limited Deer Browse Damage to Landscape Plants*) and customer feedback. Plants with an asterisk (\*) are the most conservative selections. If browsing is heavy, stick to them and consider installing a deer fence and using deer repellents so options are not so limited. Repellents work well, especially if rotated often so deer do not get used to the scent or taste of them.

### Annuals

*Ageratum*  
\**Alyssum*  
*Cleome*  
*Datura* (Angel's Trumpet)  
\*Dusty Miller (*Senecio*)  
Flowering Vinca (*Catharanthus*)  
Marigolds (*Tagetes*)  
*Nicotiana*  
*Lantana*  
Rosemary  
*Salvia* (Sage)

### Bulbs

\**Allium*  
*Colchicum*  
\*Daffodils  
Glory of Snow (*Chionodoxa*)  
*Leucojum*  
*Scilla*  
\*Snowdrops (*Galanthus*)  
Star of Bethlehem (*Ornithogalum*)

### Perennials

\*Most ornamental Grasses  
\*Ferns  
\*Bamboo  
*Acanthus*  
\**Achillea* (Yarrow)  
*Aconitum* (Monkshood)  
\**Ajuga* (Bugleweed)  
\**Agastache*  
*Alchemilla mollis* (Lady's Mantle)  
*Alyssum montanum*  
*Amsonia* (Blue Star)  
*Angelica*  
*Aquilegia* (Columbine)  
\**Artemisia*  
*Asarum* (Wild Ginger)

\**Aurinia s.* (Basket of Gold)  
*Brunnera*  
\**Calamintha*  
\**Cerastium* (Snow-in-Summer)  
\**Convallaria* (Lily of the Valley)  
*Coreopsis verticillata* (Tickseed)  
*Crocsmia*  
*Dicentra* (Bleeding Heart)  
*Dictamnus albus* (Gas Plant)  
\**Digitalis* (Foxglove)  
*Echinops* (Thistle)  
*Epimedium* (Barrenwort)  
*Eryngium* (Sea Holly)  
\**Euphorbia* (Spurge)  
*Foeniculum* (Fennel)  
\**Geranium macrorrhizum* (Cransebill)  
\**Helleborus* (Lenten Rose)  
*Kirengeshoma*  
*Kniphofia* (Red-hot Poker Plant)  
\**Lamium* (Dead Nettle)  
\**Lavandula* (Lavender)  
*Limonium* (Statice)  
\**Lychnis* (Campion)  
\**Melissia* (Lemon Balm)  
\**Mentha* (Mint)  
*Monarda* (Bee Balm)  
*Myosotis* (Forget-me-nots)  
\**Nepeta* (Catmint)  
\**Oenothera* (Evening Primrose/ Sundrops)  
\**Origanum* (Oregano)  
\**Pachysandra*  
*Paeonia* (Peony)  
\**Perovskia* (Russian Sage)  
\**Podophyllum* (Mayapple)  
*Polemonium* (Jacob's Ladder)  
\**Rheum* (Rhubarb)  
\**Ruta graveolens* (Rue)  
\**Salvia* (Sage)

\**Santolina* (Lavender Cotton)  
*Saponaria* (Soapwort)  
\**Stachys* (Lamb's Ear)  
\**Teucrium* (Germander)  
*Thymus* (Thyme)  
\**Tiarella* (Foamflower)  
*Verbascum*  
*Veronica spicata* (Speedwell)  
\**Vinca* (Periwinkle)

### Shrubs & Trees

*Amelanchier* (Serviceberry)  
*Berberis* (Barberry)  
\**Buddleia* (Butterfly Bush)  
\**Buxus* (Boxwood)  
*Calluna* (Heather)  
\**Caryopteris* (Blue Mist Shrub)  
*Chaenomeles* (Flowering Quince)  
*Clethra* (Sweet Pepper Bush)  
*Cotinus* (Smoke Bush)  
*Cotoneaster*  
*Enkianthus*  
*Forsythia*  
*Itea*  
*Kerria*  
*Leucothoe*  
\**Picea* (Spruce)  
\**Pieris* (Andromedia)  
*Myrica* (Bayberry)  
*Pinus* (Mugo only)  
*Salix* (Willow)  
*Spirea*  
*Syringa* (Lilac/Use late bloomers)  
*Weigela*  
*Vitex* (Chaste Tree)



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