

Catalpa speciosa

Northern Catalpa

Located in front of the entrance to the Radcliff Hicks arena.



- leaves deciduous, very large (6"-12" long), opposite
- leaves medium green, cordate base, long pointed tip
- leaves hairy beneath, with long petiole
- leaf scars large, rounded, with visible vascular bundles
- buds opposite, small, round, brown
- buds located at top of leaf scars
- stems stout, thick, reddish/yellowish brown
- stems have large lenticels
- flowers showy, white, bell-shaped, June, in large terminal panicles
- fruit a long green/brown capsule, hanging, prominent and persistent
- habit a medium-sized tree with open, irregular crown
- texture coarse
- bark grey-colored, rough and often peeling with fissures and furrows

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Cytisus scoparius

Scotch Broom



Located in planting along wall behind Radcliff Hicks Bldg.

- leaves deciduous, alternate, tiny, trifoliate, under 1" long, medium green
- buds small, ovoid, alternate, imbricate
- stems thin, green all year, somewhat winged
- stems become gray/brown colored when old
- flowers pea-like, bright yellow, profuse, in May
- fruit are small 2" leguminous pods
- habit is a multi-stemmed shrub, to 6'
- habit arching and rounded; fine textured
- plant can look ratty with age

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Aesculus *hippocastanum*

Common Horsechestnut

Located between Storrs Hall and the
Old Chemistry Bldg.



- leaves deciduous, palmately compound, 5 to 7 leaflets
- leaflets obovate, opposite, 4" to 10" long, dark green
- leaves light yellow/green when unfolding; yellow/brown fall color
- buds opposite, terminal very large, deep red/brown
- buds smooth, imbricate, often sticky
- stems stout, coarse, yellow/brown when young
- bark dark colored and broken into irregular plates
- flowers white, in upright terminal panicles in May
- fruit borne in spiny capsule, 2" diameter
- form a medium to large tree, rounded, 50' to 75' tall

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Thymus serpyllum

Mother-of-thyme



Located in pharmacy garden in several places.

- leaves opposite, tiny (under .5" long), ovate, deciduous
- leaves lack odor (as opposed to *T. vulgaris*)
- flowers pink/purple, in terminal clusters, in summer
- stems very thin, trailing, ascend at tips
- habit is a low, groundcover that spreads and trails
- form is completely flat; plant is inconspicuous
- plant rarely exceeds 4" in height
- plant resembles an herbaceous perennial

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Vinca minor

Vinca



Located in the pharmacy garden along wall.

- leaves opposite, evergreen, oblong or elliptic
- leaves glossy deep green, .5" to 1" long
- stems smooth, green, exude white sap when broken
- flowers tubular, blue/violet, 1" across, solitary
- flowers profuse in early spring, sporadic thereafter
- fruit usually not seen
- habit is a low, evergreen, mat-forming groundcover
- habit prostrate with weak, wiry stems, seldom taller than 6"

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Forsythia x intermedia

Border Forsythia

Located on right side of the Rainbowl House along 195.



- leaves deciduous, opposite, ovate to lanceolate
- leaves have serrations on upper half
- leaves deep green in summer; poor or no fall color
- buds opposite, imbricate, conical, pointed
- buds yellow/brown, clustered
- stems often angled, yellow/brown, prominent lenticels
- stem pith solid at nodes, chambered in internode area (must cut stems to see this trait)
- stem pith character useful in distinguishing *Forsythia*
- flowers yellow, profuse, in early spring, before leaves
- habit a large shrub, 8'-10' tall, multi-stemmed
- habit suckering with upright and arching branches
- plant often appears messy and unkempt

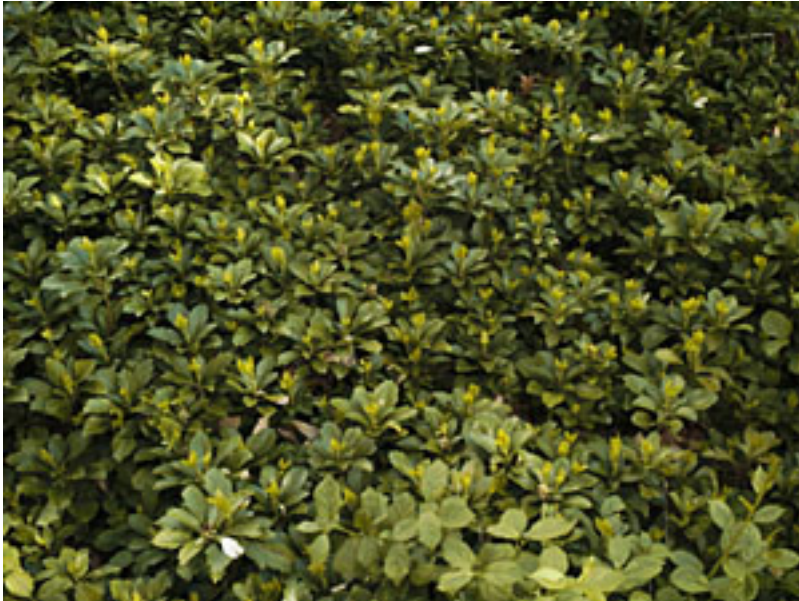
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Pachysandra *terminalis*

Japanese Pachysandra

Located on left side of the Rainbow House near patio.



- leaves alternate (appear whorled), evergreen, ovate, lightly toothed
- leaves glossy dark green (yellow during winter in exposed sites); new growth light green
- stems slender, upright, smooth, greenish
- flowers white, small, in terminal upright spikes, in early spring
- fruit not seen
- habit is an evergreen, low groundcover, under 1' tall
- habit rhizomatous and dense

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Hedera helix

English Ivy

Located on left side of Dean's rental house on 195, climbing *Morus alba*.



- leaves alternate, evergreen, deep glossy green all year
- leaves have two morphologies: juvenile and adult
- juvenile leaves have 3 to 5 lobes, whitish veins
- adult leaves rhombic to ovate, rounded base, lighter green
- stems slender, brown/gray, with rootlets that attach to supports
- stems may become thick and woody with age, bark furrowed and gnarled
- habit is a self-attaching woody vine or groundcover that roots at nodes
- flowering and fruiting occur only on "adult" forms of plants
- flowering often occurs only on old plants that are climbing a vertical surface like a tree
- flowers green/white, in umbels, in late summer/early autumn
- fruit a black drupe

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