



GROUNDCOVERS

Uses

Difficult areas to mow such as slopes, small isolated areas, or narrow strips.

Shaded areas where grass culture is difficult.

Low maintenance bed areas to tie the landscape together and give a dramatic effect.

Extremely hot, sunny areas where cool season grasses may not thrive.

Planting

Prepare bed by tilling 6-8" deep. Work in a 2" layer of sphagnum peat moss or mushroom compost.

Loosen soil ball on each groundcover plant. If in peat pots, break the sides of the pot down to below soil level.

Plant at recommended distance from each other, staggering the plants in rows. A general rule for small groundcover plants is to plant 1' on center. Plant the same depth as the plant was grown.

Mulch to control weeds and conserve moisture. Use a 2-3" layer of shredded hardwood or cypress bark mulch.

Water immediately with *Fertilome Root Stimulator* solution. Additional fertilizations with a high phosphorous fertilizer such as Fertilome Root 'N Bloom will help the plant's root system establish.

Care

Replace mulch as needed to maintain a 2-3" layer around the plants.

Fertilize at least once a year with an all purpose fertilizer such as *Fertilome Gardener's Special* or *Lebanon Tree and Shrub Food* to ensure good color, active growth and top performance.

Varieties

Sunny Areas

Aegopodium podagraria-Gout
Weed Ajuga reptans-Carpet
Bugle
Junipers-low growing
varieties Liriope-Lily-turf
Sedum-Stonecrop
Waldsteinia temata-Barren
Strawberry

Shady Areas

Aegopodium podagraria-Gout Weed
Ajuga reptans-Carpet Bugle
Hedera helix-English Ivy
Hosta-Plaintain Lily
Liriope-Lily-turf
Pachysandra terminalis-Japanese Spurge Vince
minor-Myrtle or Periwinkle

Partially Shady Areas

Aegopodium podagraria-Gout
Weed Ajuga reptans-Carpet
Bugle
Hedera helix-English Ivy
Hosta-Plaintain Lily
Liriope-Lily-turf
Lamium varieties
Lysimachia nummularia-Moneywort
Pachysandra terminalis-Japanese
Spurge Sedum-Stonecrop
Vince minor-Myrtle or Periwinkle
Waldsteinia temata-Barren
Strawberry

Slope Stabilization

Hedera helix-English Ivy
Juniper-all low growing varieties
Cotoneaster apiculata-Cranberry Cotoneaster
Cotoneaster horizontalis-Rockspray Cotoneaster
Coronilla varia-Crown-Vetch
Euonymus f. colorata-Purple-leaf
Wintercreeper
Rhus aromatica 'Gro-low' - Gro-low
Fragrant Sumac