



FLORIDA
**MASTER
GARDENER**

Plant ID

List # 5

UF/IFAS — Franklin/Wakulla Counties

Blueberry

Vaccinium spp.

Ericaceae



<https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/publication/mg359>

Blueberry

Vaccinium spp.

Ericaceae



Photo Jeffery G Williamson, UF/IFAS



Blueberry

Vaccinium spp.

Ericaceae

- Plant type: fruiting shrub
 - Light: full sun
 - Size: medium
 - Life Span: perennial
 - Native: North America
- Highlight: Rabbiteye blueberries do better than highbush varieties in North Florida, delicious fruit, easy to grow with acidic soil
 - Problem: Requires acidic soil, pH 4.5 – 5.5, birds really like the fruit, susceptible to stem blight and Phytophthora root rot.

Boxwood

Buxus sempervirens

Buxaceae



<https://floridata.com/plant/1167>

Boxwood

Buxus sempervirens



<https://extension.umd.edu/resource/boxwood-diagnose-manage-and-prevent-common-problems>

Buxaceae



<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/FullImageDisplay.aspx?documentid=21128>

Boxwood

Buxus sempervirens

Buxaceae



- Plant type: shrub
- Light: part sun to part shade
- Size: medium
- Life Span: evergreen perennial
- Native: Europe, Asia, Africa, South America
- Highlight: Great as a clipped hedge, good plant for topiary
- Problem: Soil nematodes can be a problem in sandy soils, roots rot if soil is kept too wet, no salt tolerant and can be overused

Chickasaw Plum

Prunus angustifolia

Rosaceae

<https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/publication/st504>



<https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu/plants/prunus-angustifolia/>

Chickasaw Plum

Prunus angustifolia

Rosaceae



Chickasaw Plum

Prunus angustifolia

Rosaceae



- Plant type: tree
- Light: full sun to partial
- Size: medium
- Life Span: deciduous perennial
- Native: North America
- Highlight: fragrant spring flowers attract pollinators, fruits are good for jelly and are attractive to wildlife, drought tolerant
- Problem: produces suckers that may require pruning, no major pests or diseases, tent caterpillars can be a problem

Flowering Dogwood

Cornus florida

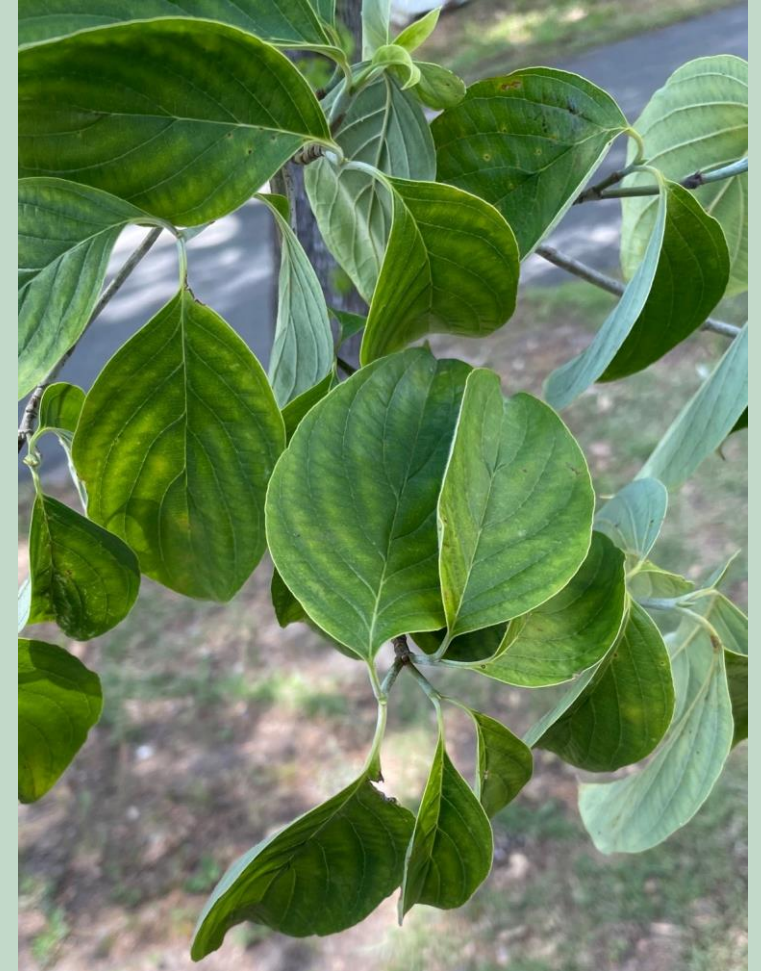
Cornaceae



Flowering Dogwood

Cornus florida

Cornaceae



Flowering Dogwood

Cornus florida

Cornaceae



- Plant type: tree
- Light: part sun to part shade
- Size: medium
- Life Span: deciduous perennial
- Native: North America
- Highlight: Lovely white spring flowers, fruits attract birds, good fall color
- Problem: Sensitive to many pests and diseases, Dogwood anthracnose is biggest concern

<https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/publication/ST185>

Saucer Magnolia

Magnolia x soulangiana

Magnoliaceae



<https://floridata.com/plant/208>

Saucer Magnolia

Magnolia x soulangiana

Magnoliaceae



Photos Missouri Botanical
Gardens Plant Finder



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<https://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=a885>

Saucer Magnolia

Magnolia x soulangiana

Magnoliaceae



- Plant type: tree
- Light: full sun to partial
- Size: medium
- Life Span: deciduous perennial
- Native: Parents from Japan
- Highlight: produces attractive large pink and white flowers in February
- Problem: prefers rich, moist porous soil, late frosts turn flowers brown, some leaf spot and canker

Muhly Grass

Muhlenbergia capillaris

Poaceae



Muhly Grass

Muhlenbergia capillaris

Poaceae



Muhly Grass

Muhlenbergia capillaris

Poaceae



- Plant type: groundcover
- Light: sun
- Size: small
- Life span: perennial
- Native: Florida/North America

- Highlights: Purplish pink flowers in fall, high drought tolerance, can handle flooding, no major pest or disease problems
- Problems: yearly pruning to remove old growth

<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/fp415>

Peach

Prunus persica

Rosaceae



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Module Photo



<https://gardeningolutions.ifas.ufl.edu/plants/edibles/fruits/peaches.html>

Peach

Prunus persica

Rosaceae



https://gardeningsolutions.ifas.ufl.edu/mastergardener/outreach/plant_id/fruits_nuts/peach.html

Peach

Prunus persica

Rosaceae

- Plant type: fruit tree
- Light: full sun
- Size: medium
- Life Span: deciduous perennial
- Native: China

- Highlight: good edible fruit
- Problem: require preventative management of disease, attractive to wildlife (deer)

Pineapple Guava

Feijoa sellowiana

Myrtaceae



Pineapple Guava

Feijoa sellowiana

Myrtaceae



Photos by Daniel J Leonard, Calhoun County Extension Director

Pineapple Guava

Myrtaceae

Feijoa sellowiana (*Acca sellowiana*)



- Plant type: shrub
- Light:
- Size: full sun to part shade
- Life Span: evergreen perennial
- Native: South America
- Highlight: adaptable to most soil types, low maintenance, can be pruned and hedged, few pest or disease problems
- Problem: tends to get larger than expected and needs cooler winters to perform better

<http://nwdistrict.ifas.ufl.edu/hort/2020/06/02/pineapple-guava-an-outstanding-florida-friendly-screening-shrub/>

Rosemary

Rosemary officinalis

Lamiaceae



Rosemary

Rosemary officinalis

Lamiaceae

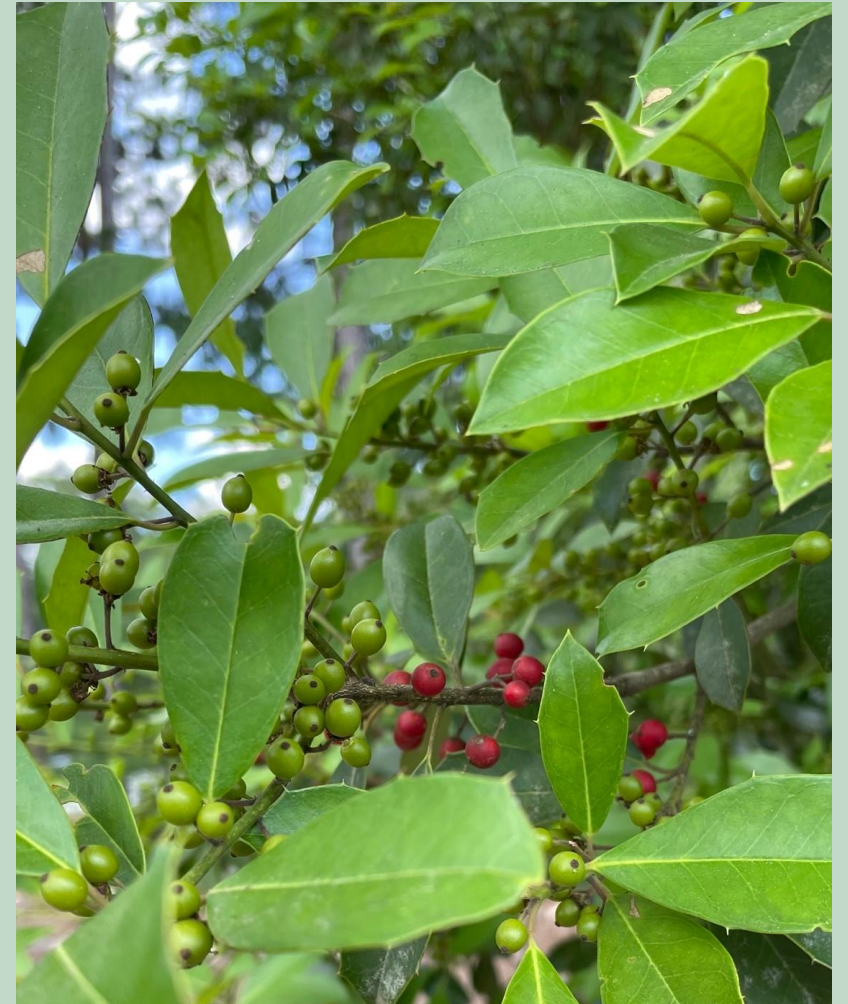


- Plant type: herb shrub
- Light: full sun
- Size: medium
- Life Span: evergreen perennial
- Native: Mediterranean
- Highlight: common culinary herb, evergreen, can be trimmed or shaped, drought tolerant, deer resistant
- Problem: doesn't like too much water

Savannah Holly

Aquifoliaceae

Ilex x attenuata 'Savannah'



Savannah Holly

Aquifoliaceae

Ilex x attenuata 'Savannah'

- Plant type: tree
- Light: full sun to part shade
- Size: medium
- Life Span: evergreen perennial
- Native: North America
- Highlight: nice shape, evergreen, red berries attract birds especially cedar waxwings, flowers attract bees, disease and pest resistant
- Problem: dioecious

https://hort.ifas.ufl.edu/treesandpowerlines/ilex_savannah.shtml

<https://gardeningolutions.ifas.ufl.edu/plants/trees-and-shrubs/shrubs/holly.html>