

Under Shade Tree Perennial Garden

Add color to your landscape by installing this design underneath the shade of an existing tree. This three flowering shrub design will add multiple colors to your yard year after year and will flourish underneath the canopy of maples, oaks, or other shade trees. This plant combination offers seasonal interest. The early yellow blooming Forsythias will mark the arrival of spring and the white and blue blooms of the Azaleas and Hydrangeas will be a highlight in the summer.

Planting Specifications:

Included Species:

- 3 – Forsythia
- 3 – Blue Hydrangea
- 5 – White Mollis Hybrid Azalea

Hardiness Zone:

6-8

Sun Exposure:

Part shade, below the canopy of an existing shade tree

Space needed:

Below the canopy of an existing shade tree

Required topography:

Flat to rolling

Layout:

The shade tree planting is installed below the canopy of an existing shade tree. Some adjustment may be required based on the locations of large roots but the design will not be impacted by minor changes in location.

Recommended use/Design Principal:

The three flowering shrub species have been selected to thrive in the shade conditions below the canopy of large existing shade trees such as maples or oaks. This plant combination is an excellent solution for below large existing shade trees where maintaining a lawn is difficult. Additionally, the plant combination offers seasonal interest by the way of yellow Forsythia blooms, white Azalea blooms and blue Hydrangea blooms.

Peak Time(s):

Spring – Forsythia: yellow bloom
White Mollis Hybrid Azalea: white bloom

Summer – Blue Hydrangea: blue bloom

Modifications:

NA