

## Plant List for Cottage Charm

Obviously, where you live determines what plants to use. We're going to give you a general list to show your landscaper or nursery. We strongly recommend you show them your Cottage Charm Design Plan and get their recommendations also.

Let's start at your entrance. Use flowering shrubs like Spireas or Viburnum. Mix in some annuals – petunias, mums, or purple fountain grass. Just inside the entrance, to the right, is a trellis with a Clematis on it. The President, Niobe, Jackmani, or Snow Queen are some long loved varieties, but most Clematis will be lovely here. Use another Clematis variety on the trellis at the corner of the house, across the yard, on the side of the potting shed, climbing along the top of the fence, and over your swing. Plant Karl Foerster Feather Reed Grass at the entrance to your cutting garden with assorted annuals in front. Zephirine Drouhin, a thornless climbing rose would look perfect on the entry arbor.

Your cutting garden should contain vase filling classics like Roses, Peonies, Lilies, Sweet Pea, Daisies, Delphinium, Veronica, Iris, Pestemon, and Pincushion Flower. There are many, many more you can grow. At the back entrance, by your greenhouse, plant Hibiscus or Hydrangea, with Liriope as a ground cover. On each side of your greenhouse use a spring flowering Forsythia or Lilac shrub. At the greenhouse entrance, make a nice planting assortment of Daylilies.

Along the back fence, on both sides of the path, plant your shade garden. Oaks would be preferable to maples. Maples have many fibrous, surface roots that will compete for moisture. Oak roots go deep. Plant Hosta, Ferns, Hydrangea, Rhododendron, and Azaleas all along the path. On the other side of the white picket fence, on each side of your pergola, plant a Dogwood and a Redbud. Underneath these use Oak Leaf Hydrangea, Knockout Roses, and a drift of Daisies.



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Around the patio in front of the potting shed, plant Variegated Liriope and leave a small area for annuals or perennials. The green shrubs at the front and back entrance to your vegetable garden are Densiflora Yews. The tree is a Forest Pansy Redbud. Plant a variety of herbs and vegetables for fresh produce and cooking. Around the base of the Yews at the entrance to your vegetable/herb garden, plant a few Moonbeam Coreopsis for a splash of yellow.

There are two gardens along the inside edge of the white picket fence. Fill one with Daylilies and the other with assorted Irises or Lilies (or both!). In the islands with the old farm implements, plant either annuals or perennials – your choice.

The pond, in addition to water garden plants, will have three groupings of either Butterfly Bushes or Crape Myrtles. We would recommend cutting these to the ground each year for new fresh growth and more flowers.

This garden with charm you for years!

