

*Amanda's Top 15*

**Perennials**

*Amsonia hubrichtii*- narrow leaf blue star (s)



*Liatris spicata*- blazing star (s-psh)



*Asclepias tuberosa*- butterfly weed\*(s)



*Lobelia cardinalis*- cardinal flower\*(s-psh)



*Aster novae-angliae*- New England aster\*(s)



*Rudbeckia hirta*- Black eyed Susan \*(s)



*Echinacea puperea*- coneflower (s)



*Solidago*- goldenrod\*(s)



*Iris versicolor*- blue flag iris\* (psh)



**Key**

(s)- sun

(psh)- part shade

(sh)- shade

\*deer resistant (if anything can be deer resistant)

## **Shrubs**

*Clethra alnifolia*- sweet pepperbush  
'ruby spice' (s)



*Itea virginica*- sweetspire  
'little henry' (s-psh-sh)



*Ilex glabra*- inkberry\*(s-psh)



*Hydrangea arborescens*-  
'annabelle' (psh-sh)



## **Small Trees**

*Magnolia virginiana*-sweetbay magnolia\*(s)



*Betula nigra*- river birch(s)



## ***Additional Resources***

\*U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's, *Native Plants for Wildlife Habitat and Conservation Landscaping* book online at  
<http://www.nps.gov/plants/pubs/chesapeake/>

\*Low Impact Development Center  
[http://www.lowimpactdevelopment.org/rain\\_garden\\_design/](http://www.lowimpactdevelopment.org/rain_garden_design/) for raingarden design templates and resources

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