

# Plant Select<sup>®</sup>

Smart plants for the right places



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*If you're new to our newsletter, cheers!* For 29 years, our nonprofit has tested and selected plants that thrive in the intermountain regions and high plains, so you can create waterwise landscapes that are beautiful, low maintenance and have a positive environmental impact—no matter your skill level.



*Photo:* Plant Select Demonstration Garden at [Denver Botanic Gardens Chatfield Farms](#). *Credit:* [Scott Dressel-Martin](#).

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**Plant Select's goal is to create smart plant choices for a new American landscape inspired by the Rocky Mountain region**

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**A warm welcome to our new Plant Select members:**

- [River Run Greenhouse](#) - Hot Springs, S.D. - Retail Garden Center Member
- [The Breezy Blossom](#) - Walsh, Colo. - Retail Garden Center Member
- [Mindful Gardening and Design](#) - Boise, Idaho - Landscape Professional Member
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- [Enviroscaapes](#) - Denver, Colorado - Landscape Professional Member
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**And thanks to all who've renewed their memberships!**

**Learn how to become a Plant Select member:** Landscape Professional, Retail, Wholesale, Mail Order, Local Government or Individual Ambassador

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**NEW PLANTS FOR 2026**

**GRANITA® pussytoes**

Add this native groundcover for all-season interest

**GRANITA®**  
**pussytoes** is a  
selection of *Antennaria*  
*dimorpha* that's native  
to almost every state in  
the West.

Plantsman **John**  
**Stireman** selected this  
plant from a wild,  
naturally-occurring  
population. He was  
drawn to its small,  
silver-green leaves, its  
tight mat of foliage and  
its short flower stems.

The white flower  
blooms sit right on top  
of the foliage, so  
there's no need for  
deadheading. The  
blooms just fade away.





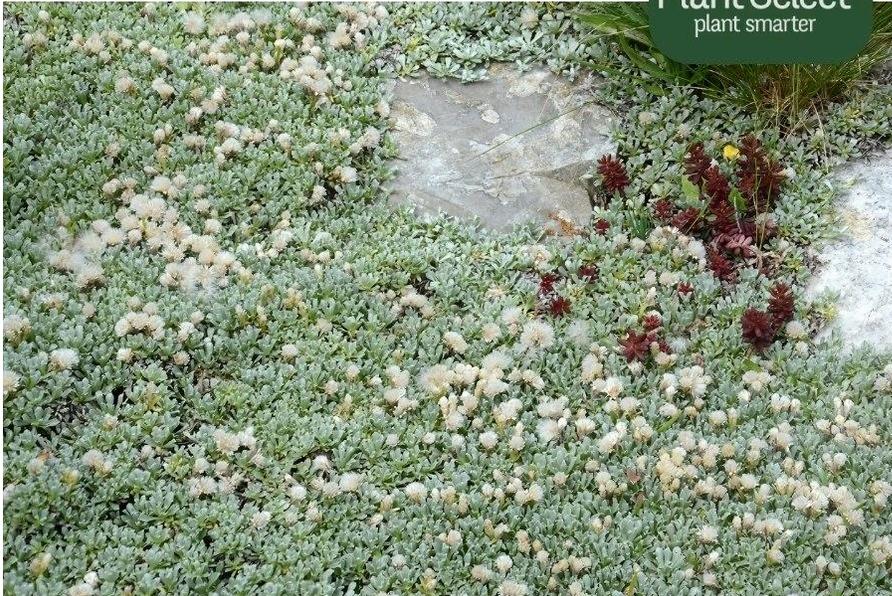
This native groundcover is evergreen, so it adds year-round interest to landscapes.

**Elevation:** Up to 8500 feet

**Sun:** Full sun to part shade

**Soil:** Clay, loam, sandy, gravelly

Get full details



## Waterwise plants to brighten winter landscapes

Discover more eversilver perennials



[GRANITA® pussytoes](#) is the latest addition to our eversilver plants.

Join Horticulturist **Grace Johnson** of [Denver Botanic Gardens](#) as she shares more of her favorite silver perennials from Plant Select. Great for winter interest!

Watch video

## Silver Shield French sorrel

Introducing a drought-tolerant perennial for shadier gardens



Looking for attractive plants that shine in dry shade?

Silver Shield French sorrel (*Rumex scutatus* 'Silver Shield') is a perennial herb with creamy leaves and a naturally-rounded growth habit. It brings brightness to shady areas where many plants fade into the background.

Use Silver Shield as an accent plant, as a groundcover or even as a filler plant in flower pot design.

Easy to grow and notably tough, Silver Shield French sorrel tolerates some drought and neglect once established.

It performs well in sun to bright shade.

Beyond its ornamental value, the leaves are edible and pleasantly sour in small doses. It can lend a bright, tangy flavor to dishes when used sparingly.

Get plant details



Explore every plant in our 2026 plant collection





Watch quick video

Read about the new plants

## Upcoming events that may interest you

### Landscaping With Colorado Native Plants Conference

Denver, Colorado

February 28

*Stop by our table and say hello!*

**Note:** The in-person conference is sold out, but you can still sign up for a conference recording.

### Greenhouse Tour: Behind the Scenes at Cheyenne Botanic Gardens

Cheyenne, Wyoming

February 28

### Create Beauty Design Conference

Featuring John Little & Kenton Seth

Longmont, Colorado

March 6

### Envisioning a Changing

### Durangoscape 2026

*Our Community Forest: Coping With Climate Change & Rapid Development*

Durango, Colorado

March 6-7

### Localscapes: Creating Your Ideal Utah Yard

Multiple locations across Utah

Mid- to late-March



Tree of Life Landscapes hosts its annual [Create Beauty Design Conference](#) on March 6.



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## Hey, municipalities and public gardens! Grow your own Plant Select plants

As you look for ways to reduce landscape water use, support native plant initiatives and find climate-resilient plants, join Plant Select as licensed grower. This allows you to grow your own Plant Select plants. (Instant availability!) Plus, you'll gain a voice in our plant selection process, shaping the future of local and regional landscapes.

Join a wide range of cities and public gardens that already participate, from Colorado and Wyoming, to Utah and Idaho.

To explore licensed plant propagation, please reach out to Ross Shrigley at [director@plantselect.org](mailto:director@plantselect.org).

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**Save the date: June 11**  
2026 Plant Select Annual Conference



Mark your calendar! Our Annual Conference will take place on **Thursday, June 11** at Denver Botanic Gardens.

We're thrilled to share that this year's speakers include Horticulturists **Lauren Springer, Bryan Fischer, Kenton Seth, Pat Hayward** and more.

**New for 2026**

You can get a hybrid ticket and watch online if you can't attend in person.

**"When do tickets go on sale?"**

Tickets will go on sale in our **March e-newsletter**.

[Plant Select members](#) will have early ticket access. (Members, look for an email from Ross Shrigley in early March.)

*Pictured: Bryan Fischer and Lauren Springer. Kenton Seth.*



## Smart plants for the right places

Last year's collection...  
more widely available this year!



**RAMBLER™**  
mountain fleabane



**Rocky Mountain**  
goldenrod



**PINK ON REPEAT™**  
lilac

Botanical names:

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