



Perennials

The planting and utilization of perennials in the landscape is a time-honored tradition. Perennials offer many advantages including environmental performance and improved eco system health. However, most people use perennials in the landscape to create a certain look and or a certain feel. Perennials come in many different sizes, shapes, textures as well as colors. One of the biggest advantages is that they come back year after year. Another advantage is how easily they can be propagated using a variety of methods. Perhaps the most common method is by division. By dividing perennials on a regular basis (each one is different), we can control the size of the plant, rejuvenate a plant, keep the root system healthy and thriving and perhaps the least practiced reason is simply to get more plants of the same kind. One plant becomes three, then six and so on.

We will be offering a large variety of shade and sun loving perennials grown and then divided by Master Gardeners' of Cape Cod. Some are divided in the Fall, and some are divided in the Spring. Either way, they are healthy, have a good root system and are good value. Engage with one of our knowledgeable Master Gardeners to help decide which perennials best suit your landscape needs. The following links will provide you with additional helpful and valuable perennial information.

[Perennials for continuous color \(UMass fact sheet\)](#)

[Dividing Perennials \(New York Botanical Gardens\)](#)

[How and when to divide perennials \(Univ of Minnesota\)](#)

