

Color Pop

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Extend and boost your garden's blooms with the Color Pop garden! Pink Phlox and Basket of Gold usher in bright tones of pink and yellow at the first signs of spring. Then in late summer when other plants have stopped blooming, Furman's Red Salvia and Purple Dome Aster open their bright red and magenta colored flowers. These jewel-toned blooms will last through the fall, helping any garden become a three season show stopper!

- Full sun exposure (Minimum of 6 hours of direct sunlight per day)
- Plant by Number map covers 60 sq. ft.
- Blooms early spring to fall
- Low water needs
- Hardy to 6,000 ft. in altitude

Individual Plant Information

N indicates a regionally native plant

YELLOW COLUMBINE - *Aquilegia chrysantha* **N**

QTY. 2



Its large long-spurred but dainty golden flowers dangle gracefully above attractive lobed blue-green leaflets.

- Mature height 2-3' Mature spread 18-24"
- Adaptable
- Low water needs
- Blooms spring to summer
- Attracts bees, butterflies
- Resists deer, rabbits

CARE: Since Columbines are relatively short lived, allow some of the plants to go to seed and self sow.

BLACK-EYED SUSAN - *Rudbeckia fulgida var. sullivantii* 'Goldsturm' **N**

QTY. 3



The classic Black-Eyed Susan features a dark central disc surrounded by a bright, golden ray of petals above stiff, hairy stems and dark green foliage.

- Mature height 18-24" Mature spread 18-24"
- Full sun
- Low water needs
- Blooms midsummer to fall
- Attracts birds, butterflies
- Resists deer, rabbits

CARE: Easily grown in well-drained soils when planted in full sun. It is considered a short-lived perennial that typically survives 4-6 years, but it will spread by seed. Rudbeckia plants that become taller or bushier than desired can be cut back to 6" to generate fresh growth and maintain size.

FURMAN'S RED SALVIA - *Salvia greggii* 'Furman's Red' **N**

QTY. 3



A many-branched, shrubby perennial with tiny, dark green leaves. Rich, magenta-red flowers are produced in large numbers through late summer and are great for attracting hummingbirds.

- Mature height 18-36" Mature spread 1-2'
- Full sun
- Low water needs
- Blooms midsummer to fall
- Attracts bees, birds, hummingbirds
- Resists deer, rabbits

CARE: Very low maintenance. Plants will stay most compact with little water and in well-drained soils. This late-blooming native is slow to emerge, but it provides a rich nectar source after many other flowers have faded.

PINK PHLOX - *Phlox subulata* 'Emerald Pink'

QTY. 3



Bright pink flowers cover a low-spreading cushion of dark green, needle-like foliage in spring. Phlox is vigorous and creates a nice ground cover.



Mature height 4-6"
Mature spread 12-18"



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms early spring



Attracts bees



CARE: Requires good drainage. It may need a little shelter from the afternoon heat, so place accordingly in your garden. Drought-tolerant, once established.

PURPLE DOME ASTER - *Aster novae-angliae* 'Purple Dome' N

QTY. 2



Strong upright stems with narrow, linear leaves rise from a woody crown. Densely branched panicles of purple flowers cover the plant from late summer to fall. A compact form with a rounded habit.



Mature height 18-24"
Mature spread 18-24"



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms late summer to fall



Attracts bees, butterflies



CARE: Prefers not to be overcrowded, especially to help minimize powdery-mildew.

WALKER'S LOW CATMINT - *Nepeta racemosa* 'Walker's Low'

QTY. 2



Upright-spreading, square stems with aromatic, soft, gray-green leaves form a large groundcover. Clusters of lavender blossoms are produced at the stem tips and upper leaf axils throughout the summer.



Mature height 18-24"
Mature spread 2-3'



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms spring to summer



Attracts bees, birds, butterflies



Resists deer, rabbits



CARE: When provided with a well drained location and plenty of sun, this plant will thrive and repeatedly bloom throughout the summer.

Plant Maintenance by Season

MAINTENANCE TASKS

PLANT

SPRING (AFTER FIRST GROWING SEASON)

“Comb out” old growth or winter damage.

Pink Phlox

Cut back old growth or winter damage in mid to late spring.

Yellow Columbine, Black-Eyed Susan, Furman’s Red Salvia, Purple Dome Aster, Walker’s Low Catmint

SUMMER

If desired, cut back spring growth to reveal foliage underneath for the rest of the growing season.

Pink Phlox

Deadhead spent flowers to encourage new blooms and compact growth and/or minimize self-seeding.

Yellow Columbine, Black-Eyed Susan, Purple Dome Aster, Walker’s Low Catmint

FALL

Leave last round of blooms to self-seed and/or provide food for birds.

Black-Eyed Susan, Furman’s Red Salvia, Pink Phlox
Purple Dome Aster, Walker’s Low Catmint

Divide mature plants in fall every 3-4 years, as desired.

Basket of Gold, Pink Phlox

Leave stems standing over the winter to protect the crown from winter moisture.

Yellow Columbine

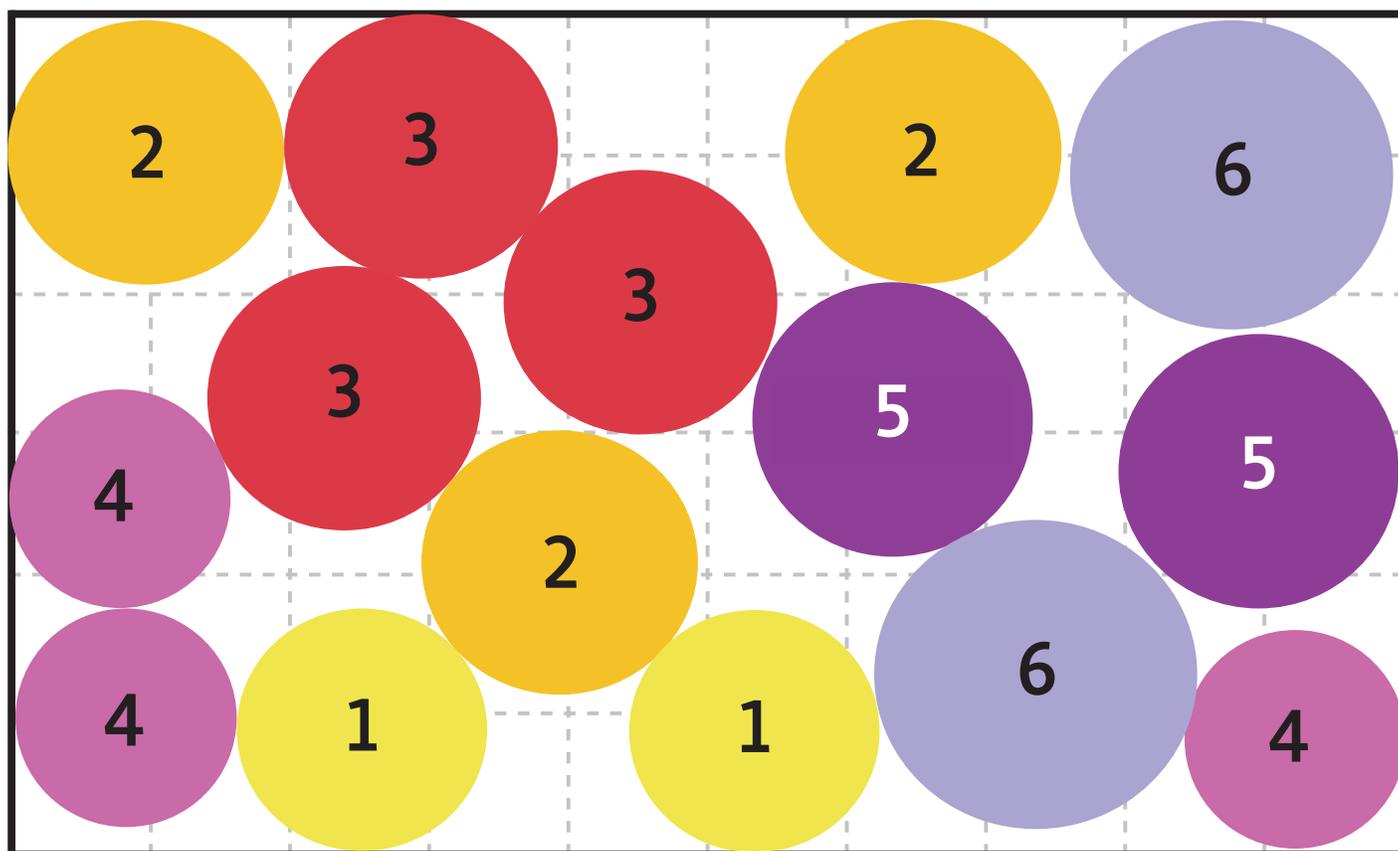
Plant by Number Design Suggestion

Key

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| 1. Yellow Columbine (Qty. 2) | 4. Pink Phlox (Qty. 3) |
| 2. Black-Eyed Susan (Qty. 3) | 5. Purple Dome Aster (Qty. 2) |
| 3. Furman's Red Salvia (Qty. 3) | 6. Walker's Low Catmint (Qty. 2) |

1 box = 1 square foot

Map reflects bloom or showy foliage colors.



6'x10' rectangle

SUGGESTED FRONT SIDE OF GARDEN