

MARITIME FIRESMART PLANT GUIDE

LEGEND INFORMATION							
PRIORITY ZONES		 The name and image of Ember are trademarks of CFFC.	SUN USE				
0-1.5M (Immediate)	Perenial/Annual or Ground Cover Only		FS	FULL SUN			
1.5-10m (Intermediate)	Leafy trees, grasses and shrubs		PSH	PARTIAL SHADE			
10-30M (Extended)	Needled trees		SH	SHADE			
WATER USE CATEGORY			LOCAL, VISITOR OR INVASIVE				
LOW	DROUGHT TOLERANT		NON	NON NATIVE			
LOW-MEDIUM	WELL DRAINED SOILS		NATIVE	RESIDENT			
MEDIUM	DOES NOT LIKE DRY SOIL		INVASIVE	SPREADS			
MEDIUM-HIGH	LIKES WET FEET		HYBRID	MIX OF SPECIES			
HIGH	LIKES POND LIFE		NA/NON	SPP. SOME NATIVE SOME NOT			
(S)	SALT TOLERANT						
PLANTS WITHIN THIS GUIDE ARE MARITIME FRIENDLY							
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LATIN NAME	COMMON NAME	SUN SHADE	ATTRACTS	HEIGHT	NATIVE NON INV	WATER USE (See Legend) (s) - Salt Tolerant	PLACEMENT WITHIN HOME IGNITION ZONE
SHRUBS							
Abelia mosanensis	Abelia	FS/PSH		0.2-3.5M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Abeliophyllum distichum	White Forsythia	FS		2.5-3m	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Actaea rubra	Red Baneberry	FS-PSH	Pollinators	1m	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Amelanchier canadensis	Canada Serviceberry	FS-PSH	Birds/Pollinators	8m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Amelanchier laevis	Smooth Serviceberry	FS-PSH	BIRDS	12m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	Common Bearberry	FS		1ft	NATIVE	LOW	1.5-10M

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Aronia arbutifolia	Red Chokeberry	FS-PSH	Birds/Pollinators	1.8-3M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Aronia melanocarpa	Black Chokeberry	FS-PSH	Birds/Pollinators	1.8-3M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Berberis thunbergii	Barberry	FS		0.45-1.5M	INV	LOW	1.5-10M
Buddleia x	Butterfly Bush	FS		1-4M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Calycanthus floridus	Carolina Allspice/Sweetshrub	FS/PSH		1.8-3.5M	NA	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Caragana arborescens	Peashrub	FS/PSH	Pollinators	2-6M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	FS/PSH	Pollinators	1-3M	NATIVE	MEDIUM-HIGH	1.5-10M
Chaenomeles japonica	Flowering Quince	FS-PSH		0.6-3M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Clethra alnifolia	Summersweet	FS-PSH	Pollinators	1-3M	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Comptonia peregrina	Sweet Fern	FS		0.5-1.5M	NATIVE	LOW	1.5-10M
Cornus alternifolia	Pagoda Dogwood	FS		2.1-3M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Cornus sericea	Red Osier Dogwood	FS		2.1-3M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Cornus spp.	Dogwoods	FS		2.1-3M	NA/NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Corylus avellana 'contorta'	Corkscrew Hazel	FS		1.2-2.4M	NON	LOW	1.5-10M
Corylus cornuta	Beaked Hazelnut	FS	ALL	1.2-2.4M	NATIVE	LOW	1.5-10M
Cotinus coggygria	Smokebush	FS		3-4.5M	NON	LOW	1.5-10M
Daphne caucasica	Caucasian Daphne	FS-PSH		0.6-1.2M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Daphne mezereum	February Daphne	FS-PSH		0.6-1.2M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Dasiphora (formerly Potentilla) fruticosa	Shrubby Cinquefoil/Potentilla	FS	Pollinators	0.1-1M	NATIVE	MEDIUM-HIGH	1.5-10M
Deutzia spp.	Deutzia	FS-PSH	Birds	0.5-3M	NON	LOW	1.5-10M
Diervilla lonicera	Bush Honeysuckle	FS-PSH	Birds	0.5-1M	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Elaeagnus angustifolia	Russian Olive	FS	Birds	11M	INV	LOW	1.5-10M
Enkianthus campanulatus	Redvein Enkianthus	FS/PSH		2-4M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Euonymus alatus	Burning Bush	FS-PSH		1.2-1.8M	INV	HIGH	1.5-10M
Exochordia x macrantha	Pearlbush	FS-PSH			NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M

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Forsythia spp.	Forsythia	FS		2.5-3M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Fothergilla gardenii	Fothergilla	FS-PSH	Pollinators	1M	NON	LOW	1.5-10M
Halesia carolina	Silverbell	PSH		8M	NA	MEDIUM - HIGH	1.5-10M
Hamamelis spp.	Witch Hazel	FS-PSH		1.8-9M	INV	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Heptacodium miconiodes	Seven Son Tree	PSH		4-9M	NON	LOW -MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Hibiscus syriacus	Rose of Sharon	FS-PSH	Pollinators	2.5-3.5M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Hydrangea spp.	Hydrangea	FS-PSH		1.2-1.8M	NA	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Hypericum kalmianum	St. John's Wort	FS-PSH		0.25m	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Ilex verticillata	Winterberry	PSH	Pollinators/Birds	1-5M	NATIVE	MEDIUM-HIGH	1.5-10M
Itea virginica	Sweetspire	FS-PSH	Pollinators	1-3M	NATIVE	MEDIUM-HIGH	1.5-10M
Kerria japonica	Kerria	PSH-FULL		1.5-3M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Kolkwitzia amabilis	Beauty Bush	FS-PSH		2.4M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Ligustrum spp.	Privet	FS-PSH		1.8-4.5M	INV	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Lindera benzoin	Spice Bush	PSH-FULL	Pollinators/Birds	2-4M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Lonicera tatarica	Honeysuckle (shrub)	PSH	ALL	3M	INV	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Morella pensylvanica	Northern Bayberry	FS	BIRDS	1-3m	NATIVE	LOW (S)	1.5-10M
Morus alba	Mulberry	PHS	BIRDS	10-20M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Myrica gale	Bayberry	FS-PSH		2M	NATIVE	MEDIUM - HIGH	1.5-10M
Nandina domestica	Sacred Bamboo	PSH-FULL		1-3M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Philadelphus spp.	Mockorange	FS-PSG	Pollinators	1.8-2.4M	NA/NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Physocarpus opulifolius	Ninebark	FS-PSH	Pollinators	1.5-3M	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Prunus cistena	Sandcherry	FS-PSH		2-3M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Prunus triloba	Flowering Almond	FS-PSH	Pollinators	2.5-4m	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Prunus virginiana	Chokecherry	FS-PSH	Pollinators	5.5-7.5M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Rhododendron groenlandicum	Labrador Tea	FS	Pollinators	0.2M	NATIVE	MEDIUM-HIGH	1.5-10M
Rhododendron spp.	Rhodora and Azaleas	FS-PSH		1.5M	NA/NON	HIGH	1.5-10M
Ribes alpinum	Flowering Currant	FS-PSH	Pollinators	0.9-1.8M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M

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Rosa spp.	Rose	FS-PSH	Pollinators	1.5-1.8M	NA/NON	LOW	1.5-10M
Rubus allegheniensis	Allegheny Blackberry	FS	Pollinators	2M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Rubus chamaemorus	Cloudberry	FS	Pollinators	1m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-30M
Rubus occidentalis	Black Raspberry	FS	Pollinators	2M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Rubus idaeus	Wild red Raspberry	FS	Pollinators	2m	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	10-30M
Salix alba	Flame Willow	FS	Pollinators	1.8-4M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Salix discolor	Pussy Willow	FS	Pollinators	1.8-6M	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Salix integra	Dappled Willow	FS-PSH		1.8-6M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Salix purpurea	Arctic Willow	FS-PSH		3-6M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Salix repens	Creeping Willow	FS		1.5M	NON	MEDIUM-HIGH	1.5-10M
Sambucus canadensis	Black Elderberry	FS-PSH	Pollinators	1.5-9M	NATIVE	LOW	1.5-10M
Sambucus nigra	Elderberry	FS	Pollinators	6M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Sambucus racemosa	Red Elderberry	FS	Pollinators	2-4M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Shepherdia canadensis	Buffaloberry	FS		1.8-3M	NATIVE	LOW	1.5-10M
Sorbaria sorbifolia	False Spirea	FS		1.5-2.5M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Spiraea japonica	Spiraea	FS		1.5-2M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Spiraea nipponica	Snowmound Spirea	FS		1.5-2M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Spiraea tomentosa	Steeplebush	FS	Pollinators	1.5m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Spiraea x bumalda	Spiraea	FS		1.5-2M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Spiraea x vanhouttei	Bridalwreath Spiraea	FS		1.5-2M	NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Spirea alba	Meadowsweet	FS	Pollinators/Birds	1-1.5M	NATIVE	HIGH	1.5-10M
Stephanandra incisa	Stephanandra	FS-PSH		0.2-1M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Symphoricarpos albus	Snowberry	FS-PSH		1-1.5M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Symphoricarpos orbiculatus	Coralberry	FS-PSH		0.2-1.2M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Syringa hybrids	Dwarf Lilac	FS		2.5-3.5M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Syringa vulgaris	Lilac	FS		4-6M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M

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Vaccinium spp.	High/low Blueberry	FS-PSH	Pollinators/Birds	0.15 - 3.5M	NATIVE	LOW	1.5-10M
Viburnum carlesii	Korean Spice Viburnum	FS-PSH		1-2.5M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum dentatum	Arrowood Viburnum	FS-PSH		2-3M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum lantana	Wayfaring Tree	FS-PSH		1-2.5M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum lentago	Nannyberry Viburnum	FS-PSH	Pollinators/Birds	3.5-6M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum nudum var. cassinoide	Wild Raisin/Witherod Viburnum	FS-PSH	Pollinators/Birds	4M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum opulus	Snowball Viburnum	FS-PSH		1-2.5M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum opulus var. Americanu	Highbush Cranberry	FS	Pollinators/Birds	1.8-2.5M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum plicatum tomentosum	Doublefile Viburnum	FS-PSH		1-2.5M	NON	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum x bodnantense	Pink Dawn Viburnum	FS-PSH		1.5-3M	HYBRID	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum x burkwoodii	Burkwoodii Viburnum	FS-PSH		1.5-3M	HYBRID	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Viburnum x carlcephalum	Fragrant Snowball Viburnum	FS-PSH		1.5-3M	HYBRID	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
Weigela florida	Weigela	FS-PSH	Hummingbirds	1-2.5M	NON	LOW	1.5-10M
X Calycanthus	Sweetshrub hybrids	FS-PSH		1.5-3M	HYBRID	MEDIUM	1.5-10M
TREES							
Acer Palmatum	Japanese Maple	PSH	Pollinators	4.5-7.5m	NON	HIGH	10-30M
Acer rubrum	Red Maple	FS	Pollinators	15-20m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple	FS	Pollinators	25-35m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Alnus incana	Speckled Alder	FS		8M	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Betula alleghaniensis	Yellow birch	FS		18-24m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Betula papyrifera	White birch	FS		20-40m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Betula populifolia	Gray Birch	FS		6-9m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Catalpa speciosa	Catalpa	FS		12-15m	NON	MEDIUM	10-30M
Fagus grandifolia	American Beech	FS		15-18m	NATIVE	HIGH	10-30M
Fraxinus nigra	Black Ash	FS		12-18m	NON	MEDIUM	10-30M
Fraxinus americana	White Ash	FS		12-18m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M

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Ginkgo biloba	Ginkgo	FS		15-25m	NON	MEDIUM	10-30M
Gymnocladus dioicus	Kentucky Coffee Tree	FS		12-15m	NON	MEDIUM	10-30M
Juglans cinerea	Butternut	FS		12-18m	NON	MEDIUM	10-30M
Laburnum watereri	Golden Chain Tree	FS-PSH		3.5-4.5m	NON	MEDIUM	10-30M
Liriodendron tulipifera	Tulip Tree	FS	Pollinators	21-27m	NON	HIGH	10-30M
Malus spp.	Crab Apple	FS	Pollinators	4.5-6m	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	10-30M
Ostrya virginiana	Hop Hornbeam	FS-PSH	Birds	15m	NATIVE	LOW	10-30M
Populus tremuloides	Trembling Aspen	FS-PSH	Pollinators	9-12m	NATIVE	MEDIUM HIGH	10-30M
Prunus serotina	Black Cherry	FS	Pollinators/Birds	20m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Quercu rubra	Red Oak	FS		18-23m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Quercus macrocarpa	Bur Oak	FS		21-24m	NON	MEDIUM	10-30M
Rhus typhina	Staghorn Sumac	FS-PSH		4.5-7.5m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Salix babylonica	Weeping Willow	FS	Pollinators	20-25m	NATIVE	HIGH	30M
Sorbus americana	Mountain Ash	FS-PSH	Pollinators	10m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Tilia americana	Basswood	FS-PSH	Pollinators	20m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Tilia spp.	Linden	FS	Pollinators	18-20m	NON	MEDIUM	10-30M
FLOWERS							
Achillea millifolium	Yarrow	FS	Pollinators	0.3-1m	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5m
Anaphalis margaritacea	Pearly Everlasting	FS	Butterfly	1ft	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5M
Asclepias incarnata	Swamp Milkweed	FS	Pollinators	1.5m	NATIVE	MEDIUM-HIGH	10-30M
Aquilegia spp.	Columbine	FS-PSH	Birds	1.5ft	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5M
Eutrochium maculatum	Spotted Joe Pye Weed	FS	Pollinators	1.8m	NATIVE	MEDIUM-HIGH	0-1.5M
Geranium spp.	Geranium	FS		1ft	NATIVE	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Lobelia spp.	Lobelia	FS	Birds	1.5m	NA/NON	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Maianthemum spp.	Solomons Seal	PSH		2ft	NA/NON	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Penstemon spp.	(Foxglove) Penstemon	FS-PSH	Birds	1.2m	NON	MEDIUM	0-1.5M

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Rudbeckia spp.	Black Eyed Susan	FS	Pollinators	2.2m	NA/NON	LOW-MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Symphyotrichum spp.	Aster	FS	Butterfly	1m	NA/NON	MEDIUM	0.1.5m
Verbena spp.	Verbena (hastata native)	FS	Pollinators	1.8m	NON	HIGH	0-1.5M
PERENNIALS IN GENERAL	Are fire resistant depending on watering but pose little to no threat to structures						0-1.5m
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GROUND COVER							
Ajuga reptans	Ajuga	SH/PSH		0.2ft	NATIVE	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Anemonastrum canadense	Canada Anemone	PSH		1.5ft	NATIVE	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	Bearberry	FS-PSH		0.2ft	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5M
Asarum canadense	Canada Wild Ginger	FS-PSH		0.5ft	NATIVE	MEDIUM-HIGH	0-1.5M
Berberidaceae	Epimedium	SH/PSH		0.2ft	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5M
Calluna Vulgaris	Heath/Heather	FS-PSH		0.2ft	NATIVE	LOW	1.5-10M
Eurybia macrophylla	Large Leaved Aster	PSH		1ft	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5M
Fragaria virginiana	Virginia Strawberry	FS-PSH		0.5ft	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Gaultheria procumbens	Eastern Teaberry	PSH		0.5ft	NATIVE	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Halerpestes cymbalaria	Seaside Buttercup	FS	Pollinators	0.5FT	NATIVE	HIGH (S)	1.5-10M
Matteuccia struthiopteris	Ostrich Ferns	PSH		1.5m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Pachysandra	Pachysandra	SH/PSH		0.2ft	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Phlox stolonifera	Creeping Phlox	FS-PSH		0.2ft	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Rhodiola rosea	Roseroot	FS		0.5ft	NATIVE	LOW (S)	0-1.5M
Sedum & Hylotelephium	Creeping Sedums	FS-PSH		0.2ft	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5M
Tiarella cordifolia	Heart Leaved Foamflower	FS		1ft	NATIVE	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Thymus	Creeping Thyme	FS		0.2ft	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5M
Viola palustris	Yellow Marsh Marigold	PSH		1.5ft	NATIVE	HIGH	0-1.5M
Viola pubescens	Downy Yellow Violet	PSH	Butterfly	1FT	NATIVE	MEDIUM	0-1.5M
Zizia aurea	Golden Alexanders	FS-PSH	Butterfly	1m	NATIVE	LOW	0-1.5M

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VINES							
Apios americana	American Groundnut	FS	Butterfly	3m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly Milkweed	FS	Butterfly	1m	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	10-30M
Celastrus scandens	Climbing Bittersweet	FS		5m	NATIVE	MEDIUM	10-30M
Clematis virginiana	Virginia Clematis	FS-PSH		5m	NATIVE	LOW-MEDIUM	10-30M
GRASSES							
Andropogon, Carex, Polystichum, Panicum, Hybrid Calamagrostis, Elymus	Sedge, Ferns, Switchgrass, Bluestem, Feather Reedgrass, Wild Rye	FS		0.5-1.5m	NA/NON	LOW-MEDIUM	1.5-10M