

Vinca

Plant Type	Evergreen, perennial
Mature Size	3-6 in. tall with trailing vines up to 18 in. long
Sun Exposure	Full, partial, shade
Soil Type	Loamy, sandy, clay
Soil pH	Acidic, neutral, alkaline
Bloom Time	Spring, summer
Flower Color	Blue, lavender, purple, white
Hardiness Zones	4-9 (USDA)
Native Areas	Europe
Toxicity	Toxic to pets ¹



Vinca minor (commonly known as periwinkle) is a tough, low-maintenance, and pest-free vining evergreen perennial with pretty broadleaf foliage and flowers that thrive in the sun or shade. It's useful for providing [ground cover](#) and is known for its creeping habit

Marigold

Plant Type	Herbaceous, annual
Mature Size	4–48 in. tall, 6–24 in. wide
Sun Exposure	Full
Soil Type	Evenly moist, well-drained
Soil pH	Slightly acidic to neutral (6.0 to 7.0)
Bloom Time	Summer
Flower Color	Yellow, orange, white, red, gold, bicolor
Hardiness Zones	2-11 (USDA); annual in all zones
Native Area	Southern North America (Mexico)



Marigolds (*Tagetes* spp.) are among the most common and reliable of all bedding flowers. These cheerful flowers with warm colors and fern-like foliage are true annuals, completing their life cycles in a single growing season. The size and construction of the blooms can vary considerably, from tiny single-petal flowers of the signet marigolds to the large 4-inch double-petal blossoms of the African marigolds, but all show their membership in the aster family with flowers demonstrating the characteristic daisy-like appearance.