

Long Blooming Perennials

A popular customer request is a plant that will bloom all year. Flowering requires a lot of work from a plant, which is why they don't bloom nonstop, year-round. There are some perennials that will bloom for months on their own and others that need a little extra care to keep blooming. The following list includes perennials that bloom for two months or longer and the months in which they bloom. Those with an asterisk * will bloom even longer with deadheading or trimming after the first blooms have faded. For perennials to flower for long lengths of time they need a lot of sun. (See other side for shade perennials and additional information.)

Blanket Flower.....	Gaillardia	Jun-Oct
Bellflower	Campanula 'Birch Hybrid'	Jul-Sept
Candytuft.....	Iberis	Mar-May
Cape Fuchsia.....	Phygelius.....	Jun-Sept
Catmint	Nepeta 'Walkers Low'	Jun-Aug*
Coneflower	Echinacea.....	Jun-Sept*
Cranesbill.....	Hardy Geranium.....	Jun-Oct
Hyssop	Agastache.....	Jun-Aug
Knautia	Knautia.....	Jun-Sept
Lavender	Lavandula	Jun-Aug
Masterwort	Astrantia	Jun-Sept
Pincushion Flower.....	Scabiosa 'House Hybrids'	Jun-Sept*
Rockcress.....	Arabis.....	Mar-May
Rose Campion	Lychnis 'Gardener's World'	May-Sept
Tree mallow.....	Lavatera	May-Sept
Sage	Salvia 'Eveline'	Jun-Aug*
Shasta Daisy.....	Leucanthemum	May-Aug*
Speedwell.....	Veronica.....	Jun-Aug*
Spiderwort.....	Tradescantia	Jun-Sept*
Sweet William.....	Dianthus 'First Love'	Apr-Sept*
Tickseed.....	Coreopsis 'Flying Saucer'	Jun-Sept*
Viola.....	Viola 'Etain'	Apr-Oct*
Wand Flower	Gaura.....	Jun-Sept
Wind Flower.....	Anemone blanda	Mar-May
Woody Sage.....	Salvia microphylla.....	Jun-Oct
Yarrow	Achillea	Jun-Sept



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Long Blooming Shade Perennials

Candelabra Primrose	Primula ‘Miller’s Crimson’	Apr-Jun
Hardy Fuchsia.....	Fuchsia.....	Jun-Oct
Hellebore	Helleborus	Jan-Mar

Please don't view the above shade perennials as the only ones that will flower in the shade. There are many perennials that put on a good flower show in the shade. They just don't bloom for the length of time that the others do. Shade gardens offer a lot of color, especially in the early spring with Primroses, Violas, Epimedium and much more. As long as your shady spot has a couple of hours of sun, two to three ideally, there are many perennial options for shade.

Resources: [Perennials for Every Purpose](#) by Larry Hodgson, 2000