

PLANTS IN BERMUDA THAT ATTRACT BIRDS – April 2015

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<u>Common Name:</u>	<u>Scientific Name:</u>	<u>Species attracted:</u>	<u>Attraction:</u>	<u>Status/Comment</u>
Allspice	<i>Pimenta dioica</i>	Chick of Village(Dobson). Catbird (DBW), warblers & vireos (Amos)	fruit (berries and insects - E. Amos)	Moderate to highly invasive. Becomes monopolistic. Shades out
Aloe	<i>Aloe vera</i>	Hummingbirds, Warblers		
Avocado	<i>Persea americana</i>	Black and White Warbler (trunk cleaners)	flowers; attracts insects,	
Bay grape	<i>Coccoloba uvifera</i>	Cape May Warbler, Northern Parula, Mockingbirds, catbirds, blue jays, woodpeckers	nectar eaten, good for coastal areas (berries -E. Amos)	Native
Bee balm	<i>Monarda spp.</i>	Hummingbirds	nectar	
Bermuda cedar	<i>Juniperus bermudiana</i>	Bluebirds, Catbirds, Cardinals, Waxwings, Orioles, Tanagers, Warblers	birds hunt insects in foliage, abundant insects, edible berry	Endemic
Black Ebony	<i>Albizia lebbek</i>	(warblers & vireos - E. Amos)		
Bottle brush	<i>Callistemon citrinus</i>	nectar eating Warblers, Hummingbirds		
Brazilian pepper		(warblers & vireos - E. Amos)	Berries & insects	
Buttonwood	<i>Conocarpus erecta</i>	Doves, (sea birds - E. Amos)	good nesting (protects seabird	Native
Camphor tree	<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	Hummingbirds		
Candelabra aloe	<i>Aloe arborescea</i>	Hummingbirds, Warblers		
Cape honeysuckle	<i>Tecomaria capensis</i>	Cardinals, Warblers, Orioles, nectar feeders	flowers for nectar	
Casuarina	<i>Casuarina equisetifolia</i>	Yellow-bellied Sap Sucker drills holes,European Goldfinch love seeds, Indigo Bunting (local and migrant feed year round E. Amos)	fruit/seeds, sap high in sugar, insect populations high spittle bug. Needles for bludebird nests, single nectar eaten, good for coastal areas	Invasive
Chinese hat plant	<i>Holmskioldia sanguinea</i>	Hummingbirds, Warblers	rotting fruit attract birds	
Citrus	<i>Citrus sp.</i>	Orioles, Tanagers		
Coral Honeysuckle Vine	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	Hummingbirds , thrushes, orioles, mockingbirds,		
Inkberry	<i>Passiflora suberosa</i>	Hummingbirds, fruit and insect-eating birds		Native
Dahoon holly	<i>Ilex cassine</i>	Cardinals, mockingbirds, cedar waxwings Catbirds, and other fruit-eating birds		
Darrell's fleabane	<i>Erigeron darrellianus</i>	Goldfinches	seeds eaten	Endemic
European olive	<i>Olea europea</i>	Warblers love insects that skeletonize leaves, nectar, caterpillars, ie. Cape May Warbler, Parula	nectar, caterpillars	
Everlasting senna	<i>Senna floribunda</i>	Warblers		

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Fiddlewood	<i>Citharexylum spinosum</i>	Cedar waxwing, American robin, Thrushes, (landbirds - E. Amos)	fruit, insects, whitefly, nectar and aphids (Berries - E. Amos)	Highly invasive. Shades out native flora,
Firethorn	<i>Pyracantha coccinea</i>	Cedar waxwings	birds attracted to fruit	
Forestiera	<i>Forestiera segregata</i>	Doves, Catbirds, Chick of the Village, Warbler, Hummingbirds	fruit eaten, leaves support many insects, caterpillars	
Four o'clocks	<i>Mirabilis jalapa</i>	Hummingbirds	flowers	
Gumbo Limbo	<i>Bursera simaruba</i>	Doves, woodpeckers, vireos, warblers		
Heath (Firecracker plant)	<i>Russelia equisetiformis</i>	Hummingbirds	flower nectar eaten, Mexican native	
Indian laurel	<i>Ficus retusa</i>	Ground Doves (fruit on ground)	large gardens only (berries - E.	
Ink berry	<i>Passiflora suberosa</i>	Chick of Village, Red-eye vireo, Cardinal, Catbird	most woodland species relish	
Japanese honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera japonica</i>	Warblers, Cardinals, Vireos	fragrant, fruits, nectar eaten	
Japanese pittosporum	<i>Pittosporum tobira</i>	Insects, Warblers, Vireo, Catbird, Thrushes	Warblers attracted to all the insects	
Father John, Red justicia	<i>Justica secunda</i>	Hummingbirds	nectar	
Lamarck's trema	<i>Trema lamarckiana</i>	Chick of Village, migratory Warblers	seeds, berries loves by WEV Jeremy counted 24 WEV in one tree at Walsingham	
Magnolia	<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>	Red-eyed Vireo, other vireo eat fruit		
Mangrove - Red		Hérons and Landbirds - Fall & Winter (E. Amos)		Native
Mangrove - Black		Hérons and Landbirds - Fall & Winter (E. Amos)		Native
Mexican flame vine	<i>Senecio confusus</i>	Warblers, Finches	fruit & nectar	
Mexican hat plant			flowers & nectar	
Mulberry, black	<i>Morus nigra</i>	Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Scarlet Tanager, Orioles, Catbird,		
Mulberry, red	<i>Morus rubra</i>	Fruit eating birds		Endemic
Live Oak	<i>Quercus virginiana</i>	Warblers, jays, cardinals, vireos, woodpeckers		
Natal Plum		Warblers (E. Amos)		
Coast sophora	<i>Sophora tomentosa</i>	Hummingbirds, warblers, vireos		Native
Norfolk Island Pine		Birds of prey (E. Amos)	Perches for birds (E. Amos)	
Odontonema	<i>Odontonema strictum</i>	Hummingbirds, Orioles, Cape May Warbler, Tanager		
Old man's beard/ Spanish moss	<i>Tillandsia usneoides</i>			

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Olive		Warblers and other landbirds (E. Amos)		
Olivewood	<i>Cassine lanceanum</i>	Cardinals, Catbirds	good foraging for warblers and catbirds, good nesting for catbird, cardinal dense foliage	Native
Bermuda Palmetto	<i>Sabal bermudana</i>	Cardinals, Yellow-throated Warbler and others (land birds - E. Amos)	fruit too big for most, good for insects attracts cardinals, mourning doves build nests. Berries (E. Amos)	Endemic
Peach	<i>Amygdalus persica</i>			
Pink tecoma	<i>Podranea ricasoliana</i>	Warblers		
Plantago	<i>Plantago sp.</i>			
Poison ivy	<i>Rhus radicans</i>	Vireo, Warblers	berries attract	Native
Pride of India		Landbirds (E. Amos)	Berries and insects	Naturalised
Queen of shrubs/Crape myrtle	<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i>	Warblers, Vireo's	thick foliage	
Red honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	Hummingbirds, Warblers, Orioles		
Red justicia	<i>Justica secunda</i>	Hummingbirds, Warblers	flower nectar eaten; considered 1 of the top 10 exotic plants to attract	
Red Mulberry	<i>Morus rubra</i>	Spring Landbirds (E. Amos)	Berries (E. Amos)	Native
Royal poinciana	<i>Delonix regia</i>	Warblers	caterpillars	
Ruttya	<i>Ruttya scholeseii</i>	Hummingbirds, Orioles, Warblers	Cape May only warbler with tubular	
Sabal palm	<i>Sabal palmetto</i>	Red-winged blackbirds, grackles, blue jays, mockingbirds, robins, woodpeckers		
Sage bush	<i>Lantana involucrata</i>	Vireo, Catbird, Cardinals	berries eaten	
Scarlet Milkweed	<i>Asclepias currassavica</i>	Hummingbirds		
Scarlet sage	<i>Salvia coccinea</i>	Warblers, Hummingbirds	flower nectar eaten	
Salvias	<i>Salvia spp.</i>	Hummingbirds		
Scotsmans purse	<i>Malvaviscus arboreus</i>	Hooded Warbler, Ovenbird, Catbird, Vireo	Orioles known to peck holes at base of flowers to obtain nectar, thickets good for birds	
Shrubby fleabane	<i>Pluchea odorata</i>	Goldfinches	seeds eaten	Native
Silk oak	<i>Grevillea robusta</i>		nectar	



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Snowberry	<i>Chiococca bermudiana</i>	Chick of Village, Catbird, Orioles, Tanagers	fruit, good for resident and migrants, creates good cover, berries eaten	Native
Southern hackberry	<i>Celtis laevigata</i>	Cardinals eat berries Warblers & Vireos forage in foliage	fruit, caterpillars	Native
Surinam Cherry		Land birds (E.Amos)	Fruit and insects (E. Amos)	Invasive
Tamarisk	<i>Tamarix gallica</i>	Warblers attracted to insects (Early Fall warblers - E. Amos)	attracted to insects (coastal windbreaks E. Amos)	
Trumpet honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	Orioles, Hummingbirds, Warblers		
Trumpet vine/trumpet creeper	<i>Campsis radicans</i>			
Turkeyberry	<i>Callicarpa americana</i>	Catbirds, ovenbird, mockingbirds, vireos, woodpeckers	fruit in fall, beautiful fruit rarely seen as such a favourite it gets eaten, aphids	Native
Viburnum	<i>Viburnum ororotissimum</i>	Catbirds and Warblers	birds attracted to insects and fruit	
Viburnum	<i>Viburnum suspensum</i>	Catbirds and Warblers	birds attracted to insects and fruit	
Virginia creeper	<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>	Orioles, Thrushes, Tanagers, Woodpeckers, Red-eyed Vireo, Solitary Vireo, Chick of the Village	edible purple berries, bird treat; berries peak/coincides with typical migration period Sept- Dec	Native
Wax myrtle	<i>Myrica cerifera</i>	Vireos, warblers, cardinals, catbirds	attracted to numerous insects	Native
West indian almond	<i>Terminalia catappa</i>	Yellow-bellied Sap Sucker	trunk can be riddled with holes of sap-suckers	Naturalised
Wild Coffee	<i>Psychotria nervosa</i>	Cardinals, blue jays, catbirds		This is not our native wild coffee but it is likely that ours also attracts these species.

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Yellow-wood

Zanthoxylum flavum

Chick of Village, nectar feeding Warblers (i.e. Cape May Warbler, Parula)

seeds a favourite of WEV, prolific nectar producers, flowers, nectar and fruit.