

Presentation Abstract

Native Plants for difficult garden settings

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For most of the very bad site conditions that a gardener might encounter, numerous native plant species thrive under similar, if not worse conditions, in nature. Many of these plant species also have a variety of ornamental attributes that contribute much beauty to the garden, and well as serve a variety of important biological and ecological functions. This presentation will discuss some of the best native fern, graminoid, herbaceous, vine, shrub, and tree species for extremely wet, extremely dry, and deeply shaded sites, among other challenging site conditions.