

ting, all sizes, and colors); asters (prefer dry soil, all sizes); and mums (must for fall bloom, pinch until flower buds initiated in early July, fertilize 3-4 times during summer, divide every 2-3 years).

Annuals, of course, provide a spectacular flower show in June, July and August. Some of the easiest to grow and most popular are marigolds, zinnias, petunias, dianthus, snapdragons, dusty miller, alyssum, and lobelia. Marigolds come in all shades of yellow and yellow-red. Varieties range from 6 inches to 3-1/2 feet tall. Zinnias come in all colors except blue and green. Height ranges from less than 1 foot to greater than 3 feet and flower size from 1 to 4-1/2 inches. Zinnias are a somewhat formal plant. Petunias come in a wide variety of styles including hanging, upright, multiflora, grandiflora, doubles and singles. Snapdragons are available in a wide color range and offer nice height to a display. They are also mildew resistant. There is a nice series of dianthus out called 'Twinkle'. Dianthus is self seeding and thus can be treated similar to a perennial if you wish. Alyssum and lobelia are excellent for edging and borders.

All of these plant materials are readily available in Wisconsin. The above suggested selections are by no means all that can be grown here. Instead they only scratch the surface of possible choices. Just be careful to know your plant material in order to provide it with the best possible growing conditions.

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