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PLANTS THAT FLOWER IN SPRING

Spring is the flowering season in the annual gardening calendar. More plants flower in spring than at any other time of the year. Selecting spring flowering plants for the garden is relatively easy with an abundance of choices. It's important to grow plants that bloom during the rest of the calendar year to extend the impact of the garden.

This is a short list of some of the many plants that make autumn so bright and beautiful in KwaZulu-Natal.

Key:

(E) = evergreen

(I) = indigenous

(S) = seed

(B) = bulb

(N) = nectar rich

(D) = deciduous

(F) = fruit

(C) = climber

(H) = herb

(T) = thorns

Annuals and Perennials (low growing)

Ajuga reptans cultivars (carpet bugle) ((ED)

Alstroemeria x hybrida (Inca lily) (D)

Anemone x hybrida (anemone) (D) (B)

Antirrhinum majus Hybrids (snapdragon) (E) (A)

Aquilegia caerulea Hybrids (columbine) (D)

Argyranthemum frutescens Hybrids (marguerite daisy) (E)

Armeria maritima Hybrids (sea thrift) (E)

Bacopa sutera (sutera) (E) (I)

Brachyscome iberidifolia Hybrids (Swan river daisy) (E)

Delphinium grandiflorum (delphinium) (E)

Dianthus barbatus Hybrids (sweet William) (E) (A)

Dianthus caryophyllus Hybrids (carnation) (E)

Diascia integerrima Hybrids (twinspur) (E) (I)

Digitalis purpurea (fox glove) (E)
Erigeron karvinskianus (Mexican fleabane) (E)
Freesia x hybrida (freesia) (D) (I) (B)
Fuchsia x hybrida cultivars (ballerinas) (E)
Gazania splendens Hybrids (stars of the veld) (E) (I)
Ixia x hybrida (African corn flower) (D) (I) (B)
Lamium maculatum cultivars (dead nettle) (ED)
Lathyrus odorata (sweet pea) (E) (C) (A)
Lobelia erinus (lobelia) (E) (A)
Lobularia maritima (sweet allysum) (E) (A)
Lupinus polyphyllus (Russellupin) (E) (A)
Matthiola incana (stocks) (E) (A)
Narcissus x hybrida (daffodil) (D) (B)
Nemesia fruticans (wild snapdragon) (E) (I)
Osteospermum ecklonis Hybrids (African daisy) (E) (I)
Papaver nudicaule (Iceland poppy) (E) (A)
Pelargonium peltatum Hybrids and cultivars (ivy leaf geranium) (E) (I)
Pelargonium zonale Hybrids and cultivars (bush geranium) (E) (I)
Petunia x hybrida (petunia or oupa se hoed) (E) (A)
Ranunculus x hybrida (ranunculus) (D) (B)
Scabiosa columbaria (pin cushion) (E)
Scadoxus puniceus (paintbrush lily or snake lily) (D) (I) (B)
Sparaxis x hybrida (harlequin flower) (D) (I) (B)
Statice (Limonium) perezii (paper flower) (E)
Tritonia x hybrida (tritonia) (D) (I) (B)
Verbascumx hybrids (mullein) (D)
Verbena x hybrida many named cultivars (verbena) (E) (A)
Viola hederacea (Australian violet) (E)
Watsonia x hybrida (watsonia) (D) (I) (B)
Zantedeschia aethiopica (arum lily) (E) (I)

Shrubs and Climbers (medium to tall growing)

Aloe rupestris (bottlebrush aloe) (E) (I)
Bougainvillea x buttiana hybrids (bougainvillea) (ED) (C)
Brunfelsia pauciflora 'Floribunda' (yesterday today tomorrow) (D)
Brunfelsia pauciflora 'Macrantha' (large flowered yesterday today tomorrow) (E)
Buddleja salviifolia (sagewood) (E) (I)

Callistemon citrinus 'Endeavour' (bottlebrush) (E)
Chamaelaucium uncinatum hybrids (geraldton wax plant) (E)
Clematis montana (traveller's joy) (D) (C)
Coleonema pulchella (confetti bush) (E) (I)
Deutzia gracilis (bridal wreath) (D)
Distictis buccinatoria (Bignonia cherere) (E) (C)
Ehretia rigida (puzzle bush) (D) (I)
Jasminum multipartitum (wild jasmine) (E) (I) (C)
Jasminum polyanthum (Chinese jasmine) (E) (C)
Leptospermum scoparium Hybrids (tea bush) (E)
Leucospermum cordifolium Hybrids (pin cushions) (E) (I)
Mackaya bella (river bells) (E) (I)
Ochna serrulata (mickey mouse bush) (E) (I)
Petrea volubilis (purple wreath) (E) (C)
Polygala myrtifolia (September Bush) (E) (I)
Protea cynaroides (king protea) (E) (I)
Raphiolepis x delacourii (Indian hawthorn) (E)
Rhododendron indicum hybrids (azalea) (ED)
Rosa banksiae (banksian rose) (E)
Rosa x hybrida (rose) (D)
Rothmannia globosa (September bells) (E) (I)
Solanum rantonnetii (blue potato bush) (E)
Spiraea cantoniensis 'Flora Plena' (Cape may bush) (D)
Strelitzia reginae (bird of paradise) (E) (I)
Streptosolen jamesonii (marmalade bush) (E)
Telopea speciosissima (waratah) (E)
Trachelospermum jasminoides (star jasmine) (E) (C)
Viburnum macrocephalum (Chinese snowball) (ED)
Viburnum opulus 'Roseum' (Japanese snowball) (D)
Weigela florida Hybrids (weigela) (D)
Wisteria sinensis (purple rain) (D) (C)
Xylothea kraussiana (African dogrose) (E)(I)

Trees (tall growing)

Bolusanthus speciosus (tree wisteria) (E) (I)
Brachychiton acerifolia (Australian flame tree) (D)
Buddleja saligna (false olive) (E) (I)
Burchellia bubalina (wild pomegranate) (E) (I)
Calpurnia aurea (wild laburnum) (D) (I)

Cassia fistula (golden shower or pudding pie tree) (D)
Citrus limoni (lemon tree) (E) note: all citrus trees flower in spring
Cornus florida (dogwood) (D)
Delonix regia (flamboyant or peacock flower) (D)
Erythrina latissima (broad leaf coral tree) (D) (I)
Gardenia thunbergia (white gardenia) (E) (I)
Greyia sutherlandii (Natal bottlebrush) (D) (I)
Hymenosporum flavum (scrambled egg tree) (E)
Ipomoea arborescens (white morning glory tree) (D)
Kigelia africana (sausage tree) (D) (I)
Malus floribunda (Japanese crab apple) (D)
Michelia figo (port wine magnolia) (E)
Prunus persica (flowering peach) (D)
Prunus serrulata (Japanese flowering cherry) (D)
Schotia brachypetala (weeping Boer-bean) (E) (I)
Tabebuia chrysotricha (yellow trumpet tree) (D)
Tibouchina sellowiana (multi-coloured glory bush) (E)
Vachellia (Acacia) xanthophloea (fever tree) (D) (I)

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