



BLACKWOOD'S
home of gardening

PLANTS WITH COLOURFUL AUTUMN FOLIAGE

Many deciduous trees and shrubs have leaves that turn beautiful colours in autumn before they shed their leaves for winter. Green leaves turn to shades of yellow and gold, orange, scarlet and red before turning brown and falling to the ground. These plants are revered in colder climates for adding a special dimension to the ornamental garden. Their presence and the impact that they make in the garden is enormous. Use them to add an extra dimension to your garden. Always remember that cold temperatures are usually necessary to help intensify leaf colouration in autumn.

This is a short list of some of the more common plants suitable for the colder parts of Kwazulu Natal.

Key:

(E) = evergreen

(I) = indigenous

(S) = seed

(B) = bulb

(N) = nectar rich

(D) = deciduous

(F) = fruit

(C) = climber

(H) = herb

(T) = thorns

Shrubs and Climbers (medium to tall growing)

Acer palmatum 'Dissectum' cultivars (cut leaf Japanese maple) (D)

Ceratostigma willmottianum (Chinese plumbago) (D)

Hydrangea quercifolia (oak-leaf hydrangea) (D)

Nandina domestica (sacred bamboo) (ED)

Nandina domestica 'Pygmaea' (miniature sacred bamboo) (ED)

Parthenocissus quinquefolia (Virginia creeper) (C) (D)

Parthenocissus tricuspidata (Boston ivy) (C) (D)

Spiraea japonica hybrids (may bush) (D)

Viburnum opulus 'Rosea' (Japanese snowball) (D)

Viburnum plicatum 'Mariesii' (D)

Vitis vinifera (grapevine) (C) (D)
Weigela florida hybrids (D)
Wisteria sinensis (blue rain) (D) (C)

Trees (tall growing)

Acer palmatum (Japanese maple) (D)
Acer rubrum (red maple) (D)
Betula pendula (silver birch) (D)
Bridelia micrantha (mitzeerie) (I) (D)
Celtis africana (white stinkwood) (I) (D)
Combretum krausii (forest bush willow) (I)
Commiphora harveyi (red-stem corkwood) (I) (D)
Cornus florida (dogwood) (D)
Diospyros kaki (persimmon) (D) (F)
Ginkgo biloba (maidenhair tree) (D)
Liquidambar styraciflua (sweet gum) (D)
Liriodendron tulipifera (tulip tree) (D)
Platanus acerifolia (London plane) (D)
Prunus serrulata hybrids (Japanese flowering cherry) (D)
Quercus palustris (pin oak) (D)
Taxodium distichum (swamp cypress) (D)

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