

Companion Plants for Daylilies

To bloom with daylilies:

Blues/Purples:

Agapanthus Midnight Blue
Boltonia (Kalimeris) nana
Campanula 'Kent Belle' & 'Sarastro'
Hydrangea serrata (more sun tol.)
Phlox paniculata 'Paradise Blue'
Platycodon (white also)
Salvia 'Blue Hill'
Salvia 'Victoria'
Salvia guaranitica 'Black & Blue'
Stokesia 'Peachy's Pick'
Verbena bonariensis
Verbena 'Homestead Purple'

Whites:

Alstroemeria 'Casa Blanca'
Echinacea 'Fragrant Light'
Hydrangea 'Annabelle'
Hydrangea paniculata (many)
Lily, Formosa & 'Casa Blanca'
Phlox paniculata 'David'
Physotegia 'Miss Manners'
Shasta 'Becky'
Zephyranthes candida –Rain Lily

Yellows/Golds:

Alstroemeria 'Sweet Laura'
Coreopsis "Cream Brulee" or 'Zagreb'
Echinacea 'Sunrise'
Heliopsis (many)
Rudbeckia 'Goldsturm' & triloba

Pinks:

Alstroemeria 'Freedom'
Cannas
Echinacea purpurea (many)
Hydrangea 'Pink Beauty' ('Preziosa')

Lilium 'Black Dragon'
Phlox paniculata (many)
Rose, Knock Out

Oranges/Reds:

Cannas (many)
Dahlias 'Bishop of Llandaff', 'Yellow Hammer',
'Tomato Soup'
Dicleptera suberecta
Echinacea 'Meadowbrite' & more
Lantana 'Star Landing' & 'Miss Huff'

Burgundy Foliage:

Ajuga 'Chocolate Chip'
Barberry, 'Crimson Pygmy' & Rose Glow'
Canna 'Australia' & 'Pacific Beauty'
Elephant Ears, Black
Eucomis 'Sparkling Burgundy'
Mondo Grass, Black
Setcreasea 'Purple Heart'

Chartreuse Foliage:

Elephant Ears, 'Lime Zinger'
Hosta 'Sum & Substance' (sun tol.)
Liriope 'Peedee Ingot'
Spiraea 'Mellow Yellow' ('Ogon')
Tradescantia 'Sweet Kate'

Annuals:

Grass, Red Fountain
Larkspur
Plumbago, tropical
Queen Anne's Lace
Rudbeckia Gloriosa Daisy
Scaevola – Fan Flower
Torenia 'Summer Wave Blue'
Verbena canadensis (sometimes perennial)

Not good matches to grow with daylilies; they like a drier or a grittier soil:

Agastache
Cacti & arid region plants
Calamint
Gaillardia
Gray leaved plants (most)
Iris, Bearded

Mediterranean herbs (Rosemary, lavender)
Penstemon
Russian Sage
Sedums (most)
Succulents
Yarrow (most)

Monarda (too invasive)
Liatris (too short blooming)
Loosestrife, Gooseneck (too invasive)

Other seasons to beautify the garden (* require different growing conditions than daylilies):

Late winter/early spring:

Arum italicum*
Conifers & broadleaf evergreens
Crocus "tommys"
Cyclamen, Hardy*
Daphne*
Edworthia
Forsythia
Helleborus*
Hyacinths
Leucojum
Lycoris – Snow Drop
Narcissus – Daffodils
Phlox, Creeping
Primula x variabilis
Prunus mume – Ornamental Apricot
Quince
Ranunculus ficaria
Tree peonies*
Veronica 'Georgia Blue'

Rhemannia – Chinese Foxglove
Salvia gregii

Fall:

Azaleas, Encore
Helianthus angustifolia 'First Light'
Anemone, Japanese
Mums
Leopard Plant, Ligularia*
Grass, Pink Muhley, Fountain, Maiden
Iris, Reblooming Bearded*
Salvia gregii
Salvia leucantha – Mex Bush Sage

Spring, before daylilies:

Amsonia hubrichtii
Anemone nemrosa*
Azaleas
Baptisia
Bletilla – Hardy Orchid*
Callirhoe 'Logan Calhoun'
Catmint
Deutzia gracilis
Geum 'Red Wings'*
Heucheras & Heucherellas for foliage *
Iris, Japanese
Iris, Bearded*