



## Downy Rattlesnake Plantain (*Goodyera pubescens*)

Downy rattlesnake plantain an evergreen perennial in the orchid family, has attractive deep blue-green leaves with distinctive silvery veins. A single flower stalk, 16-20" tall rises from the center of each rosette of leaves in summer. Tiny, white to greenish-white, rounded flowers bloom from July to mid-September. Flowers are followed by small fruit capsules. All parts of the plant are covered with very fine downy hair. Easily grown in organically rich, medium moisture, well-drained soils in part shade to full shade, best with sun-dappled part shade. Mulch to maintain consistent soil moisture. Native to both moist and dry woods in the eastern US.

Photo credit: Arthur Haines

**Price:** \$15 for 3

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## Dutchman's (*Cucullaria*)

A spring woodland plant with white flowers early in the season. After the woodland floor becomes covered in early summer, the plant goes into total dormancy. While closely related to *Lamprocapnos* species, it is not as adaptable as they are. This native plant requires a yet well-drained site in a woodland. Soils that have a clay component are preferred. \$15 for 3 dormant,

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## Partridgeberry (Mitchella repens)

Native evergreen ground cover with interesting foliage, flowers and fruit. Plant in woodland/shade gardens, under acid-loving shrubs and trees and in part shade areas of border fronts and rock gardens. Not particularly aggressive, so probably not the best choice for large areas, but rather smaller sites. The scarlet fruits are relished by partridges, and they are consumed by a variety of birds and mammals. 3 bare root, dormant plants for \$15

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## Trailing Arbutus (Ulex repens)

The famously finicky native of Massachusetts. Be careful when planting-do your homework before growing. It can form a dense mat that grows high. Broad, oval, leathery leaves, evergreen. Trumpet-shaped flowers, also aromatic, resembling a raspberry. Part shade in dry to moist soil with moderate organic matter. Very difficult to establish and does not tolerate disturbance.

during drought or flood, and is slow-growing even in good conditions. Natural habitats: edges of oak-heath and pine forests. It favors exposed sites where the plants are not smothered by leaf litter. 3 dormant bare root starts for \$15

**Price:** \$15 for 3 dormant, bare root plants

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## **Woodland/Wild/Alpine Strawberry (*Fragaria vesca*)**

Compact, stemless, 4-8" tall plant. Tri-foliolate, coarsely-toothed, green leaves. Numerous, small, 5-petaled white flowers with yellow centers appear throughout summer, followed by small, sweet strawberries all summer long.

Best grown in humusy, fertile, medium moisture, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Prefers full sun. Great garden edge/lawn alternative. May self-seed if fruit is not harvested. First year stays in clumps, will eventually spread via runners. These are cultivars "Mignonette" and/or "Rugens Improved", not native straight-species wild strawberries. Three 4" pots for \$24. Massachusetts Supplier.

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**Price:** \$24 for 3

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