

Annuals in Your Garden

True annuals sprout from seed, flower, set seed, and die within one season. Although annuals live only for one year, most provide season-long bloom and come in a wide array of colors, shapes, and sizes.

Select seeds or plants that are appropriate for your site whether it is full sun, partial sun or shade. Amend clay soils with at least 2 inches of Bumper Crop or compost, and mix to a depth of 6 to 8 inches. Set plants or sow seeds after danger of frost has passed.

Johnson's carries a vast selection of annuals appropriate for many settings. The following lists may help you when selecting your flowers - there are many more:

Shade or Part Shade

These annuals need some sun to flower; those marked * will stand the most shade

Ageratum - *Ageratum houstonianum*
Begonia - *Begonia* species
Browallia - *Browallia* species
Caladium* - *Caladium* species
Coleus - *Solenostemon scutteleroides*
Fuchsia - *Fuchsia* species
Impatiens* - *Impatiens* species
Lobelia - *Lobelia erinus*
Pansy - *Viola x wittrockiana*
Wishbone flower* - *Torenia fournieri*

Fragrant Annuals

Alyssum - *Lobularia maritima*
Dianthus - *Dianthus* species
Flowering Tobacco - *Nicotiana* species
Heliotrope - *Heliotropum arborescens*
Petunia - *Petunia* species
Stocks - *Matthiola incana*
Sweet Peas - *Lathyrus odoratus*

Trailing Annuals

Bacopa - *Bacopa abunda*
Fan Flower - *Scaevola aemula*
Licorice Plant - *Helichrysum petiolatum*
Million Bells - *Calibrachoa x hybrids*
Petunias - *Petunia x hybrida* Wave series
Trailing Lantana - *Lantana montevidensis*
Trailing Verbenas - *Verbena* species

Hot, Dry Locations

All annuals need water but these are the most likely to survive some neglect once well rooted

African Daisy - *Osteospermum hybrid*
Cosmos - *Cosmos* species
Creeping Zinnia - *Sanvitalia procumbens*
Dusty Miller - *Senecio cineraria*
Gazania - *Gazania rigens*
Globe Amaranth - *Gomphrena globosa*
Gold Medallion - *Melampodium paludosum*
Moss Rose - *Portulaca grandiflora*
Spider Flower - *Cleome hasslerana*
Verbena - *Verbena* species
Zinnia - *Zinnia* species

Annuals that Thrive in Heat

Angelonia - *Angelonia angustifolia*
Cockscomb - *Celosia argentea*
Marigold - *Tagetes patula*
Sage - *Salvia splendens*
Starflower - *Pentas lanceolata*
Twinspur - *Diascia integerrima*
Vinca - *Catharanthus roseus*

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