

## Deer-Resistant Plants

Take this list with a grain of salt! The deer certainly do. This list is based completely on my personal observations in southeast Michigan. Deer preferences seem to change geographically, so this list may not be applicable elsewhere.

### Almost 100% resistant:

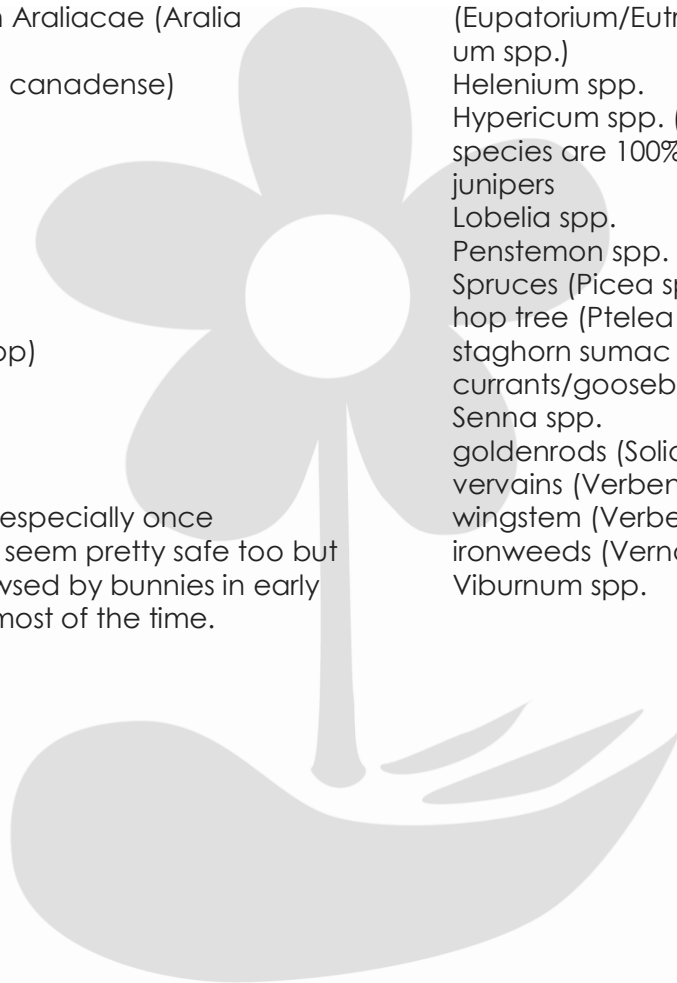
spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*)  
paw paw (*Asimina triloba*)  
shrubby St. John's wort (*Hypericum* spp.)  
Mahonia  
Myrica spp.  
fragrant sumac (*Rhus aromatica*)

nodding wild onion (*Allium cernuum*)  
almost anything in allium genus  
almost everything in mint family  
almost everything in Araliaceae (*Aralia racemosa*, etc)  
wild ginger (*Asarum canadense*)  
all irises  
baptisia  
yarrow  
jack in the pulpit  
hellebores  
daffodils  
crocus  
ragwort (*Packera* spp)  
blue-eyed grass  
equisetum

- Almost all grasses, especially once established; sedges seem pretty safe too but can be heavily browsed by bunnies in early spring.- Most ferns, most of the time.

### Pretty resistant but maybe not 100%:

maples (*Acer* spp.)  
buckeyes (*Aesculus* spp.)  
bluestar (*Amsonia* spp.)  
milkweeds (*Asclepias* spp.)  
dogbane (*Apocynum* spp.)  
Clematis spp.  
Buttonbush (*Cephalanthus occidentalis*)  
Coreopsis spp.  
Eryngium spp.  
Boneset/joe-pye  
(*Eupatorium/Eutrochium/Ageratina/Conoclinium* spp.)  
Helenium spp.  
Hypericum spp. (perennial species, shrub species are 100%)  
junipers  
Lobelia spp.  
Penstemon spp.  
Spruces (*Picea* spp.)  
hop tree (*Ptelea trifoliata*)  
staghorn sumac (*Rhus typhina*)  
currants/gooseberries (*Ribes* spp.)  
Senna spp.  
goldenrods (*Solidago* spp.)  
vervains (*Verbena* spp.)  
wingstem (*Verbesina alternifolia*)  
ironweeds (*Vernonia* spp.)  
Viburnum spp.



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