

Cross Creek II

Approved Landscape Material



The plants on the following pages represent approved plant material for landscape in Cross Creek II. They have been selected by the Landscape Committee with careful consideration to maintenance, growing habits and curb appeal.

It is advisable to work with a professional Landscaper for design and plant selections; assuring proper placement for sun/shade tolerance and water requirements within your landscape.

Please be advised that change or upgrade of any landscape material must be submitted to the Home Owner's Association for Board Approval on an ARC Form. This must include a sketch or drawing of the design, including plant name and placement in the landscape.

Congratulations on your participation in beautifying our community!



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CROTON



- Well drained soil works best
- Grows in direct sun, and some shade
- Colorful foliage

Crotons have green leaves that turn to shades of yellow, red and purple throughout the year, showing their brightest colors in the sun during the cooler months.



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TRINETTE



- Variegated leaves
- Full sun/part shade
- Drought tolerant

Trinette is a variegated form of the Dwarf Schefflera. It can bring a splash of low-maintenance color to area landscapes. If left alone the branches can stretch and grow out of shape. It is easy to keep them shaped with occasional selective pruning.



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VIBURNUM SUSPENSUM



- Prefers moist well drained soil
- Part sun/part shade
- Good Hedge material

Viburnum is a reliable and trouble-free evergreen shrub with a fairly rapid growth rate.



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SIMPSON STOPPER



- Drought tolerant
- Attracts butterflies
- Slow growing but hardy
- Can be tree or hedge

This plant is cold hardy, salt tolerant, drought-tolerant once established and grows slowly so maintenance is at a minimum. The small white fragrant blossoms appear on and off all year.



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PODOCARPUS



- Drought tolerant
- Full sun to partial shade
- Evergreen looking tree or shrub
- Slow grower

Podocarpus can tolerate some shade, but grows faster and is more colorful in direct sun. It does not like wet, so avoid boggy areas.



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COCOPLUM



- Medium drought tolerance
- Moderate growth
- Full sun to medium shade
- Good hedge several varieties
- Butterfly plant

Cocoplum is one of the best and most common hedges in South Florida. It is easy to maintain, does not grow fast, which means it requires less trimming.



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SILVER BUTTONWOOD



- Drought tolerant
- Full sun to light shade
- Shrub or hedge
- Moderate growth rate

Its silver foliage contrasts beautifully with all green in a landscape. They can function as a clipped hedge shrub or left to grow in a more natural shape.



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IXORA



- Drought tolerant
- Full sun to partial shade
- Pretty flowering plant or great hedge
- Butterfly plant

Ixora are lush, large-leaved shrubs that produce rounded clusters of star-shaped blooms. They appear on the tips of new upright stems and are readily visible, being fully exposed to the sun.



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DWARF IXORA



- Medium drought tolerant
- Full to partial sun
- Pretty flowering plant or hedge

You see them everywhere...and for good reason. These plants are dependable bloomers, love the sun, and fit nicely into any size landscape..



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CLUSIA GUTTIFERA



- Plant or hedge
- Low maintenance
- Full sun/part shade

Small leaf Clusia is a beautiful plant that is commonly used as a hedge. Branching close to the ground, it produces a densely foliated barrier of stiff leathery leaves. It has moderate growth and is easily maintained.



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JAMAICAN CAPER



- Drought tolerant
- Shrub or tree
- Slow grower
- Full sun/part shade
- Butterfly plant

The Jamaica Caper is an excellent small-size shade tree that can fit in most South Florida yards and even patio areas. It is an evergreen tree that flowers in the spring. Jamaica Capers can be pruned up to have a canopy or left as a large shrub.



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THRYALLIS



- Moderate drought tolerance
- Pretty yellow flowers
- Medium grower needs room to spread
- Full sun / part shade
- Butterfly plant

Gracilis means graceful and that's a perfect description of this lovely plant., It adds a soft touch to typical landscape greenery.



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TI RED SISTER



- Some Sun / Prefers shade
- Colorful accent plant
- Drought tolerant

Red Sister is grown as an outdoor landscape plant in subtropical and tropical areas. A Red Sister cordyline can grow to be a large plant that can bring a splash of color to any space.



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TI TRICOLOR



- Beautifully colored
- Slower growing than Ti Red Sister
- Medium to light shade
- Average drought tolerance

The broad lance-shaped leaves of the tricolor ginger plant grow in shades of pink, cream and green.



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SHRIMP PLANT



- Blooms most of the year
- Moderate growth rate
- Part sun/light shade
- Average water needs

Shrimp plant is an attractive tropical perennial that can attract butterflies to your garden.



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TI SHERBERT



- Beautifully colored
- Medium growth rate
- Light to medium shade

Ti plants do best when grown in full shade to partial shade areas. When planted in the right spot and provided with routine maintenance, red sister and the other cultivars can be a stunning addition to any landscape.



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TI BLACK MAGIC



- Beautifully colored
- Tolerates full sun but likes shade
- Average water needs
- Hardier than other Ti

The Black Magic Ti is an upright grower with long dark leaves. Its unique coloration stands out in a landscape and adds dimension.



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PLUMBAGO



- Colorful blue flowers
- Hedge or stand alone
- Full sun/light shade
- Fast growing which requires trimming
- Moderate drought tolerance

This sprawling, mounding, somewhat vine-like, evergreen shrub is quite outstanding because it is covered most of the year with clusters of pale blue flowers which attract butterflies.



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GOLD MOUND



- Water regularly
- Grows well in full sun
- Two to three year life span
- Bright accent plant

Lovely to look at, easy to grow - gold mound offers amazing color as a delightfully bright accent in any South Florida garden. Great color addition to the shrub or perennial border.



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SNOW BUSH



- Partial sun or light shade
- Moderate growth rate
- Medium drought tolerance

Snow bush is an upright shrub with small rounded leaves that show a lot of variation in color. If grown in more shady areas, they are green with white, but if exposed to medium to full sunlight, the darker reds to an almost a purple color may appear with the white and green leaves. New growth comes in with pink colors.



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CROWN OF THORNS



- Full sun
- Drought tolerant
- Woody spiny succulent
- Slow Grower

The Crown of Thorns flowers nearly all year, and especially in the winter. The flowers are small and inconspicuous, but the brightly colored modified leaves (bracts) found just beneath the flowers are quite attractive.



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XANADU



- Sun to partial shade
- Provides dense ground cover
- Moderate drought tolerance
- Medium growth rate

Xanadu is a great tropical foliage plant with lush tough green foliage and grows steadily and develops into a clump of plants.



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VARIGATED GINGER



- Shade tolerant, does well under trees or taller plants
- Low drought tolerance
- Small white seashell looking flowers

Not the spice ginger, the variegated ginger has beautifully striped green and yellow foliage. All plant parts emit a spicy fragrance when bruised.



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TRI-COLORED GINGER



- Multi-colored leaves
- Shade tolerant, does well under trees or taller plants
- Low drought tolerance

Growing tricolor ginger plants will provide a splash of living color to your landscape. These tropical foliage plants produce oblong, green and white variegated leaves with pink to red undersides. Hardy plants, the tricolor ginger prefers full shade and fast draining, moist soils.



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FLAX LILY



- Variegated leaves
- Sun to light shade
- Great border plant
- Average drought tolerance

If you're looking for a low-maintenance plant that provides both texture and color, consider the variegated flax lily. Although this drought-resistant perennial produces late-summer flowers, it is grown primarily for its variegated strappy foliage



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GREEN ISLAND FICUS



- Beautiful dense hedge or plant
- Leaves similar to jade plant
- Full sun to partial shade
- Slow growing and low maintenance

Don't let the name "ficus" scare you - this variety won't take over your life or your landscaping. It's very well-behaved, grows more slowly and is easy to keep small. Plus it's extremely versatile - growing almost anywhere in sun to part shade as well as being one of the best easy care shrubs South Florida has to offer.



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COONTIE



- Attracts rare Atala Butterfly
- Tolerates sun and light shade
- Stiff featherlike leaves
- Slow grower

Sunshine State gardeners have rediscovered the Florida coontie as a native plant well adapted to Florida yards. Its increased use in landscapes has encouraged the presence of the rare atala butterfly, which uses coontie as a larval host plant.



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AGAVE



- Good focal point plant
- Full sun
- Drought tolerant

Widely adapted agaves, including yuccas, are gaining interest for their striking landscape features. Large varieties command attention as specimen plants. Many agaves have sharp spines that prohibit placing large specimens near walkways.



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CRINUM LILY



- Good focal point
- Full sun or light shade
- Large size bed
- Fragrant flower
- Butterfly Plant

Crinums work well in the Florida landscape because of their easygoing nature. Many crinums have been known to grow for years on old home sites or cemeteries with little or no care. They are resistant to drought, although some also don't mind having their feet wet..



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BROMELIADS



- Wide variety
- Colorful
- Full sun to part shade
- Hardy Plant

Bromeliads make a great low-maintenance addition to Florida landscapes. For an exotic focal point or an overall tropical theme, there's sure to be a bromeliad to fit your needs. Varieties vary in light requirements, and this should be taken into consideration when selecting plants for your garden.



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LIRIOPE



- Good boarder plant
- Average drought tolerance
- Sun to partial shade

Liriope spicata is a vigorous grower. If you wish to use this plant as a ground cover in multiple areas of your landscaping, you can divide and transplant.



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FOX TAIL FERN



- Partial Sun /Shade
- Good border plant or interspersed in garden
- Medium drought tolerance
- Attractive featherlike appearance

Foxtail Fern's attractive tiny needle-like leaves remain light green in color throughout the season. The flowers are not ornamentally significant. It features an abundance of magnificent red berries in late summer.



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GROUND ORCHID



- Excellent ground cover
- Many varieties
- Full sun or light shade
- Medium drought tolerance

Ground orchids or *Spathoglottis* species are very popular landscape and pot orchids. They grow in soil, and prefer partial sun or partial shade, moist conditions and frost-free climates. Give them regular water and fertilizer and they will reward you with year-round flowers.



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JUNIPER



- Good ground cover
- Evergreen looking plant
- Full Sun
- Moderate drought tolerance

Juniper is a fantastic choice for projects because of its environmental credentials. It's also great for exterior applications due to its superior rot and weather resistance, and it just happens to be beautiful!



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CARISSA



- Glossy thick leaves with white flowers
- Full sun/part shade
- Slow grower
- Excellent ground cover

Carissa is a compact, dense evergreen shrub with small, glossy, dark green leaves, each with a single terminal spine. The some what-showy clusters of fragrant, springtime, white flowers are followed in fall and winter by some bright red berries.



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MUSSAENDA



- Beautiful showy flowers in summer
- Looses leaves and flowers in winter
- Full sun/part shade

Mussaendas are increasingly popular for the showy color they provide during much of the year in South Florida landscapes.



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CAT PALM



- Small palm with feathery fronds
- Slow grower
- Low drought tolerance
- Part sun and shade

These low-growing, trunkless, spineless palm species are perfect selections for pool enclosures, small areas, and low-light levels. Often used as accent plants in shade gardens, these palms are carefree, dark green and easy to grow.



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ALOCACIA



- Shade tolerant
- Medium to fast growth rate
- Low drought tolerance

Alocasia commonly known as elephant ears come in all shapes and sizes and their uses range from indoor houseplants to hardy landscape specimens. Most varieties are tropical and need warmth and humidity, excellent drainage and for the most part shade.



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BOTTLE PALM



- Full sun or light shade
- Slow grower
- Good drought resistance

Bottle Palm, is a tropical palm suitable for a smaller landscape.. The Bottle Palm's enlarged base, its neat - tapering crownshaft and canopy, and its slow growth, have made it a most desirable palm for landscape.



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DRACEANA REFLEXA



- Variegated leaves
- Light shade
- Medium drought tolerance
- Slow grower

The Dracaena Song of India slowly grows into an upright bushy plant following a common oval or palm-like shape. The bold yellow markings that run along the edges of the leaves differentiate Dracaena Song of India from the other dracaenas.



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YESTERDAY TODAY AND TOMORROW



- Lavender, purple and white flowers
- Moderate growth rate
- Part shade /filtered sun
- Moderate drought tolerance
- Butterfly Plant

One of the most unusual plants with purple flowers, yesterday today and tomorrow should be used more in South Florida landscaping...not just for its abundant multicolored flowers in rare blue tones, but also because it will bloom even in a partly shaded location. The blossoms appear on and off all year, more during warmer weather.



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PINWHEEL JASMINE



- Full sun / light shade
- Delicate white flowers
- Moderate growth rate
- Requires occasional trimming
- Butterfly Plant

White flowers shaped like pinwheels decorate pinwheel jasmine, a charming, airy shrub that will bloom anywhere - even in partial shade. Jasmine plants are usually thought to be fragrance plants, but this beautiful jasmine has no fragrance. However, its delicate look, dark green leaves and bright white blooms work well in any landscape.



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MEXICAN HEATHER



- Good ground cover
- Full sun /part shade
- Generally heat tolerant
- Moderate drought tolerance
- Approximate 3 year life span

Profuse purple flowers on a versatile, compact plant. Tidy plant with fine textured, glossy, bright green leaves. Re-blooms continuously well into fall. Good for edging and seasonal color in beds and borders.



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DESERT CASSIA



- Small tree with delicate yellow flowers
- Full sun to light shade
- May need to be secured in wind

This sweet little tree is salt-tolerant and evergreen, with tiny leaves and fast-growing. An ideal centerpiece for a butterfly garden.



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LIGUSTRUM



- Multi-stemmed medium tree
- Sun to partial shade
- Moderate drought tolerance
- Medium growth rate

Ligustrum is more commonly known as a shrub used for hedges and screens, however we like it most when limbed up into a small tree. An abundance of fragrant white flowers are produced in spring. Once the bottom branches have been removed it can be left alone to grow natural.



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ROBELLINI PALM



- Small palm with spikes on trunk
- Full sun to partial shade
- Medium growth rate

For growing a smaller, but beautiful, palm tree that doesn't require too much maintenance, a popular choice has always been the hardy Robellini palm tree. Because of its short height, the Robellini is easy to prune and often serves as a shrub tree to fill out gardens and give them an exotic flair.



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SAGO PALM



- Not a true Palm Tree
- Can be poisonous to pets when ingested
- Slow growing

Sago palm is not a true palm, but rather belongs to an ancient group of plants called cycads. Its stiff leaves resemble those of palm or the fronds of a fern. It's easy to grow, thriving indoors or out. Because the leaves are so stiff and can be sharp, it's best to keep this plant away from walkways or other areas.



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Approved Plant List by Name

Agave	Ligustrum
Alocasia	Liriope
Bottle Palm	Mexican Heather
Bromeliads	Mussaends
Carissa	Pinwheel Jasmine
Cat Palm	Plumbago
Clusia Guttifera	Podocarpus
Cocoplum	Robellini Palm
Coontie	Sago Palm
Crinum Lily	Shrimp Plant
Croton	Silver Buttonwood
Crown of Thorns	Simpson Stopper
Desert Cassia	Snow Bush
Draceana Reflexa	Varigated Ginger
Dwarf Ixora	Thryallis
Flax Lily	Ti Black Magic
Fox Tail Fern	Ti Red Sister
Gold Mound	Ti Sherbert
Green Island Ficus	Ti Tricolor
Ground Orchid	Tri-Colored Ginger
Ixora	Trinette
Jamaican Caper	Viburnum Suspensum
Juniper	Xanadu
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