

**SOME COMMON PLANTS FOUND AT GARDEN CENTERS AND
THEIR COUNTRY OF ORIGIN**

COMMON NAME	SPECIES NAME	COUNTRY of ORIGIN	Invasive?
Arborvitae	<i>Platycladus orientalis</i>	China, Korea	
Avocado	<i>Persea americana</i>	Tropical America	
Azalea	<i>Rhododendron simsii, obtusum</i>	China, Japan	
Bottlebrush	<i>Callistemon rigidus</i>	Australia	
Bougainvillea	<i>Bougainvillea spp.</i>	Brazil	
Camellia	<i>Camellia japonica</i>	East Asia	
Citrus	<i>Citrus spp.</i>	South Eastern Asia	
Coconut Palm	<i>Cocos nucifera</i>	South Eastern Asia	yes, South FL
Confederate Jasmine	<i>Trachelospermum jasminoides</i>	China	
Crape Myrtle	<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i>	Asia	
Crotons	<i>Codiaeum variegatum</i>	Malaysia	
Crown of Thorns	<i>Euphorbia milii</i>	Madagascar	
Flax Lily	<i>Dianella tasmanica</i>	Australia	
Fountain Grass	<i>Pennisetum spp.</i>	Asia, Australia	many species
Gardenia	<i>Gardenia jasminoides</i>	China	
Half Flower	<i>Scaevola taccada</i>	Indian, Pacific Islands	yes
Heavenly Bamboo	<i>Nandina domestica</i>	East Asia	yes
Hibiscus	<i>Hibiscus rosa-sinensis</i>	Asia	
Indian Hawthorne	<i>Raphiolepis indica</i>	South China	
Ixora, Jungle Flame	<i>Ixora coccinea</i>	Southern Asia	
Jacaranda	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Brazil	
Jasmine	<i>Jasminum spp.</i>	China, Japan	some
Mexican Petunia	<i>Ruellia simplex</i>	Mexico	yes
Norfolk Island Pine	<i>Araucaria heterophylla</i>	Australia's Norfolk Island	
Oleander	<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Mediterranean	
Orange-Jasmine	<i>Murraya paniculata</i>	Tropical Asia	yes
Orchid Trees	<i>Bauhinia variegata</i>	India to China	yes
Philodendron	<i>Philodendron spp.</i>	Tropical America	some
Plumbago	<i>Plumbago auriculata</i>	South Africa	
Podocarpus	<i>Podocarpus spp.</i>	Africa	
Privet, Chinese, Glossy	<i>Ligustrum lucidum, sinense</i>	Japan, East Asia	yes
Queen Palm	<i>Syagrus romanzoffiana</i>	Brazil	yes
Red Tip Photinia	<i>Photinia x fraseri</i>	Japan	
Royal Poinciana	<i>Delonix regia</i>	Madagascar	
Sago Palms	<i>Cycas revoluta</i>	Africa	
Senegal Date Palms	<i>Phoenix spp.</i>	N. Africa, India, Burma	some
Snow-Bush	<i>Breynia disticha</i>	South Sea Islands	
Sweet Viburnum	<i>Viburnum odoratissimum</i>	Asia	
Thryallis	<i>Galphimia gracilis</i>	Tropical America	
Umbrella Tree	<i>Schefflera actinophylla</i>	Australia	yes

Sources: Florida Landscape Plants, Watkins and Sheehan, Guide to Vascular Plants of Florida, Richard Wunderlin, Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council, www.fleppc.org, www.plantatlas.usf.edu