Plants that Play in Peoria

Low Maintenance, reliable plants with low susceptibility to severe damage from insects and disease; strong, but manageable growth patterns; tolerant of varied environmental conditions and hardy to USDA Zone 5. Many are natives that tend to be adapted to Central Illinois

Luthy Botanical Garden

Trees
Alder *Alnus*
Concolor Fir *Abies*
Corneliancherry Dogwood *Cornus*
Crabapples *Malus* (newer introductions)
Ginkgo *Ginkgo*
Hawthorn *Crataegus*
Hickory *Carya*
Linden *Tilia*
Maple *Acer* (many are invasive)
Oak *Quercus*
Pawpaw *Asimina*
Pine *Pinus*
Sassafras *Sassafras*
Serviceberry *Amelanchier*
Spruce *Picea*
Star Magnolia *Magnolia*
Sumac *Rhus*
Upright Juniper *Juniperus*
Witchhazel *Hamamelis virginiana*

Shrubs
Bayberry *Myrica*
Bottlebrush Buckeye *Aesculus parviflora*
Burning Bush *Euonymous*
Chokeberry *Aronia*
Coralberry *Symphoricarpos*
Cotoneaster *Cotoneaster*
Dwarf Lilac *Syringa*
Dwarf Spruce *Picea*
Eastern Wahoo *Euonymous atropurpureus*
Forsythia *Forsythia var.*
Fragrant Sumac *Rhus aromatica*
Green Mountain Boxwood *Buxus*
Green Velvet Boxwood *Buxus*
Gro Low Sumac *Rhus aromatica* 'Gro Low'
Juniper *Juniperus*
Lead Plant *Amorpha canescens*
Oakleaf Hydrangea *Hydrangea quercifolia*
Panicle Hydrangea *Hydrangea paniculata*
Shrub Roses *Rosa rugosa*
Smooth Hydrangea *Hydrangea arborescens*
Spirea *Spiraea*
Vernal Witchhazel *Hamamelis vernalis*
Viburnum *Viburnum*
White Dome Hydrangea *Hyd. Arb.*'Dardom'
Yew *Taxus* (in absence of deer)

Perennials, Groundcovers & Vines
Asiatic Lilies *Lilium*
Aster *Aster*
Balloon Flower *Platycodon*
Baneberry *Actaea*
Barrenwort *Epimedium*
Bergenia *Bergenia*
Bittersweet *Celastrus*
Black-eyed Susan *Rudbeckia*
Bleeding Heart *Dicentra*
Bluebells *Mertensia*
Bluestar *Amsonia*
Bugbane *Cimicifuga*
Butterfly Weed *Asclepias*
Candytuft *Iberis*
Catmint *Nepeta*
Cheddar Pinks *Dianthus*
Compass Plant *Silphium laciniatum*
Coneflower *Echinacea*
Coralbell *Heuchera*
Cranesbill *Geranium*
Creeping Phlox *Phlox*
Cushion Spurge *Euphorbia*
Daffodil *Narcissus*
Daylily *Hemerocallis*
False Aster *Boltonia*
False Indigo *Baptisia*
False Sunflower *Heliopsis*
Feather Reed Grass *Calamagrostis*
Fleabane *Erigeron*
Gas Plant *Dictamnus*
Ginger *Asarum*
Globe Thistle *Echinops*
Goat's beard *Aruncus*
Gold Marguerite *Anthemis*
Goldenrod *Solidago*
Grape Hyacinth *Muscari*
Hellebore *Helleborus*
Hosta *Hosta*
Indian Grass *Sorghastrum*

Japanese Spurge *Pachysandra*
Joe Pye Weed *Eupatorium*
Lily-of-the-Valley *Convallaria*
Lilyturf *Liriope*
Little Blue Stem *Schizachyrium*
Lungwort *Pulmonaria*
Meadow Sage *Saliva*
Merry bells *Uvularia*
Obedient Plant *Physostegia*
Oriental Poppy *Papaver*
Ornamental Onion *Allium*
Peony *Paeonia*
Prairie Dropseed *Sporobolus*
Rosin Weed *Silphium integrifolium*
Sea Lavender *Limonium*
Sedum or Stonecrop *Sedum*
Siberian Bugloss *Brunnera*
Siberian Iris *Iris*
Siberian Squill *Scilla*
Snowdrops *Galanthus*
Solomon's Plume *Smilacina*
Solomon's Seal *Polygonatum*
Striped Squill *Puschkinia*
Switchgrass *Panicum*
Threadleaf Coreopsis *Coreopsis*
Vinca *Vinca*
Violet *Viola*
Yarrow *Achillea*