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What *Chartreuse*



**'Dart's Gold'
ninebark**
(*Physocarpus
opulifolius* 'Dart's
Gold', Zones 3-7)



**Variegated lily
of the valley**
(*Convallaria majalis*
'Variegata', Zones 3-9)

Can Do for You

BY STEVE AITKEN

Any border is better when you add this versatile color



'Winter Gold'
mugo pine
(*Pinus mugo*
'Winter Gold',
Zones 3-9)

Keep things calm



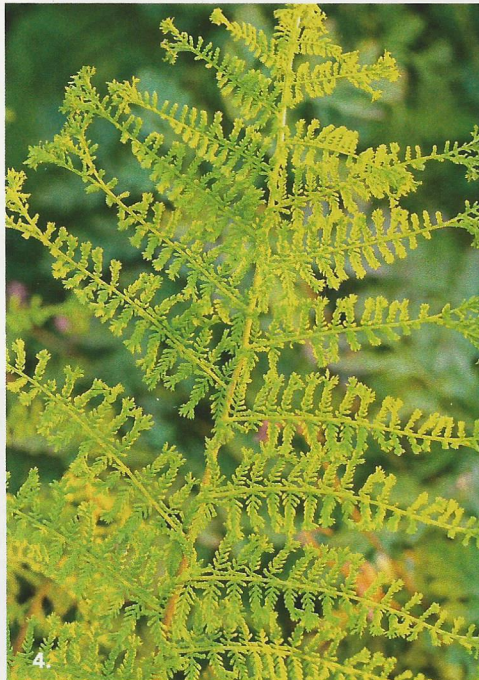
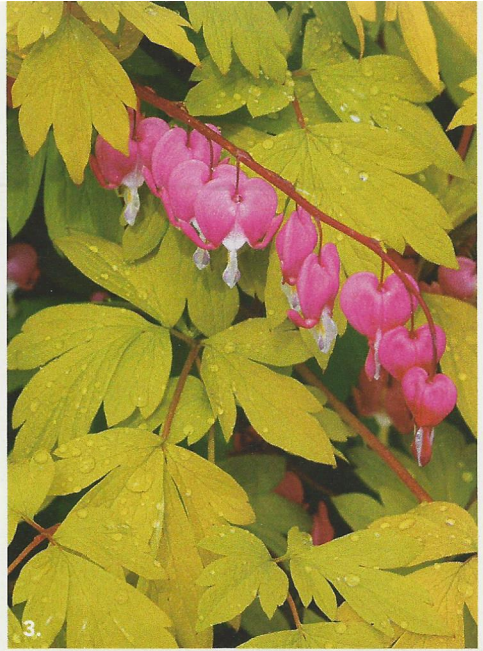
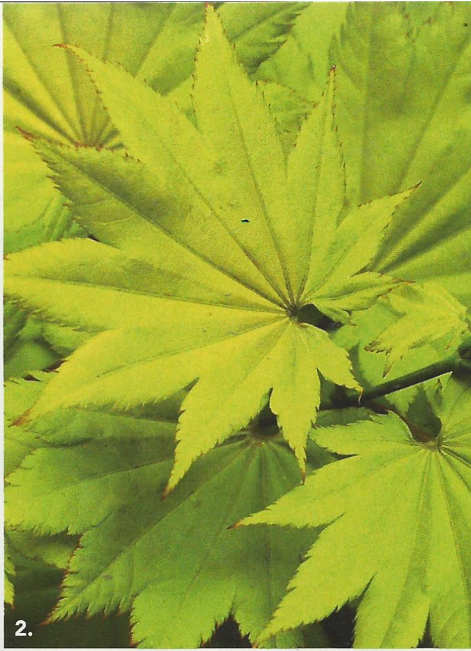
▲ NOW IT'S A PARTY

This river of red carries plenty of excitement, and plenty of green balances it out. But to keep things on the lively side without overcharging the senses requires some chartreuse. Think of 'Sun King' aralia (*Aralia cordata* 'Sun King', Zones 4–8) and Japanese forest grass (*Hakonechloa macra* cv., Zones 5–9) as spirited guests at this party, but not obnoxious ones.



◀ WHEN YOU NEED A POP, NOT A BOOM

Every garden needs areas of high interest, but when you are planting in front of a red house and behind some 'Orange Emperor' tulips (*Tulipa* 'Orange Emperor', Zones 3–8), you need to be careful. The interest here comes from the strong bottlebrush form of the euphorbias (*Euphorbia characias* ssp. *wulfenii*, Zones 7–10) and the color of their muted but still noteworthy blooms. Had the color been more yellow, the impact would have been too much.



| FAVORITE PLANTS |

1. **'SOLAR POWER' HEUCHERELLA**
(*Heucherella* 'Solar Power', Zones 4–9)
2. **GOLDEN FULL MOON MAPLE**
(*Acer shirasawanum* 'Aureum', Zones 5–8)
3. **'GOLD HEART' BLEEDING HEART**
(*Dicentra spectabilis* 'Gold Heart', Zones 3–9)
4. **LADY FERN** (*Athyrium filix-femina*, Zones 4–8)
5. **ANNA'S MAGIC BALL® ARBORVITAE**
(*Thuja occidentalis* 'Anna van Vloten', Zones 3–7)
6. **'COLOR GUARD' YUCCA** (*Yucca filamentosa* 'Color Guard', Zones 4–10)
7. **'ALL GOLD' JAPANESE FOREST GRASS** (*Hakonechloa macra* 'All Gold', Zones 5–9)
8. **'BERRY EXCITING' CORYDALIS**
(*Corydalis* 'Berry Exciting', Zones 5–9)

