**SPRING in a very small garden**

The old spring walk at Oxford Botanic Garden

*Melianthus major*

1. **WHEN DOES SPRING BEGIN?**

* Cuckoo
* *Abeliophyllum distichum*
* *Sophora* ‘Sun King’
* *Ribes sanguineum* ‘King Edward VII’
* *Prunus spinosa*
* Orange tip butterfly
* Barn swallow
* Daffodils
* *Anemone nemorosa*
* Bluebells & primroses

1. **SPRING WORK**

* Staking *Euphorbia polychroma* & *Crambe maritima*
* *Baptisia australe*
* Planning
* Planting
* Seed sowing
* Pruning *Lonicera* ‘Winter Beauty’

1. **BULBS**

* *Iris foetidissima* ‘Citrina’
* *Iris pseudacorus* & *Iris* ‘Jane Philips’
* *Iris* ‘Black Swan’
* *Fritillaria meleagris*
* Cricklade meadows
* *Trillium chloropetalum*

1. **HERBACEOUS PLANTS**

* *Amsonia tabernaemontana*
* *Amsonia orientalis*
* *Athyrium niponicum* var. *pictum* ‘Burgundy Lace’
* *Nepeta faassenii ‘*Purrsian Blue’
* *Viola odorata*
* *Bergenia ciliata*
* *Lamium orvala*
* *Meconopsis cambrica* (orange form)
* *Isoplexis canariensis* x *Digitalis purpurea = x Digiplexis* ‘Illumination Raspberry’
* *Paris quadrifolia*
* *Polygonatum odoratum*
* *Phlomis russelliana*
* *Paeonia mlokosewtschii*
* *Thermopsis lanceolata*

1. **EUPHORBIAS**

* *Euphorbia characias*
* *Euphorbia* x *pasteurii, E. characias, E. polychroma, E. oblongata*
* *Euphorbia polychroma*
* *Euphorbia griffithii* ‘Wickstead’
* *Euphorbia* x *martini* ‘Ascot Rain’ (please don’t)
* *E. stygiana* x *E. mellifera* = *E.* x *pasteurii*
* Euphorbias draw the eye & are chorus of the border

1. **THE POND AND MARGINAL PLANTS**

* *Gunnera tinctoria*
* *Caltha palustris*
* *Butomus umbellatus*
* *Ceratophyllum demersum*
* Dividing plants with a saw

1. **WOODY PLANTS**

* *Fatsia japonica*
* *Betula utilis* var*. jacquemontii*
* *Physocarpus opulifolius* ‘Diablo’
* *Wisteria floribunda* ‘Alba’ & ‘Royal Purple’
* *Solanum crispum*
* *Ceanothus repens*
* *Viburnum tinus*
* *Lonicera periclymenum*
* *Rosa spinosissima* ‘Dunwichensis’
* *Choisya ternata*
* *Viburnum opulus*
* *Hydrangea petiolaris*
* *Malus* ‘Butterballs’
* *Photinia* x *fraseri* ‘Red Robin’

1. **WILDLIFE**

* *Geranium* x *magnificum*
* *Knautia macedonica* ‘Melton Pastels’ & *Meconopsis cambrica*
* Buff tip moth

1. **BORDERS**

* See full plant list

1. **WHEN DOES SPRING END?**

* Waterlilies in flower

**POND**

*Alisma plantago-aquatica*

🕆 *Butomus umbellatus*

*Iris pseudacorus*

🕆 *Iris versicolor*

*Nuphar lutea*

*Nymphaea alba*

*Pontederia cordata*

*Ranunculus flammula*

*Typha minima*

**BORDER BY POND**

🕆 *Anemone leveillei*

🕆 *Caltha palustris*

*Cimicifuga simplex* (Atropurpurea group) ‘James Compton’

*Euphorbia donii* ‘Amjillasa’

*Hakonechloa macra* ‘Alboaurea’

*Hosta* ‘Dream Weaver’

*Lysimachia ciliata* ‘Firecracker’

*Matteuccia struthiopteris*

*Onoclea sensibilis var. interupta*

**SHADE BORDER – north facing by the house**

*Asplenium scolopendrium*

*Astilboides tabularis*

*Bergenia ciliata*

*Athyrium niponicum* var. *pictum* ‘Burgundy Lace’

*Brunnera macrophylla*

*Chloranthus oldhamii* BSWJ 2019

*Chrysosplenium macrophyllum*

*Cyrtomium falcatum*

*Disporum megalanthum*

🕆 *Epilobium grandiflorum* ‘Red Beauty’

*Geranium* ‘Samobor’

*Hacquetia epipactis*

*Hedera* ‘Dentata Variegata’

*Hosta* ‘Climax’

*Hosta* ‘Liberty’

*Helleborus orientalis*

*Helleborus* 'Credale Strain'

🕆 *Hydrangea seemanii*

*Hydrangea petiolaris*

*Lamium orvala*

*Lonicera henryi* ‘Copper Beauty’

*Lonicera* ‘Winter Beauty’

*Lunaria annua* ‘Rosemary Verey’

*Narcissus nobilis*

*Omphalodes* ‘Cherry Ingram’

*Pellaea rotundifolia*

*Sanguisorba* *menziesii*

🕆 *Sarcococca confusa*

*Saxifraga stolonifera* ‘Maroon Beauty’

*Tiarella cordifolia*

*Trillium chloropetalum*

**GUNNERA BORDERS**

*Arisarum proboscideum*

*Asarum maximum* ‘Giant’

*Bergenia ciliata*

*Blechnum chilense*

*Euphorbia schillingii*

*Euphorbia griffithii* ‘Wickstead’

*Gunnera tinctoria*

*Hakonechloa macra* ‘Albostriata’

*Hedera* ‘Dentata Variegata’

*Iris versicolor*

🕆 *Liatris spicata* ‘Floristan Velvet’

🕆 *Ligularia dentata* ‘Desdemona’

*Lobelia* ‘Hadpsen purple’

*Lonicera periclymenum*

*Meconopsis cambrica*

*Musa* Hadpsen hardy form

*Polystichum setiferum*

🕆 *Rudbeckia* ‘Goldsturm’

*Sanguisorba* ‘Tanna Seedling’

*Thermopsis lanceolata*

*Trillium chloropetalum*

**SUNNY SLOPING BORDER (The Back Border)**

*Aconitum episcopale*

*Aconitum carmichaelii* ‘Royal flush’

*Anemone* x *hybrida* ‘Honorine Jobert’

*Anemone* x *hybrida* ‘Robustissima’

*Anemone* x *hybrida* ‘Serenade’

*Anemone* ‘Elfin swan’

*Amsonia orientalis*

*Amsonia tabernaemontana*

*Anthriscus sylvestris* ‘Ravenswing’

🕆 *Aquilegia vulgaris stellata* ‘Black Barlow’

🕆 *Aquilegia vulgaris stellata* ‘Rose Barlow’

*Asclepias incarnata*

*Aster cordifolius* ‘Little Carlow’

*Aster divaricatus*

*Astrantia maxima*

*Baptisia australis*

*Carex testacea*

*Caryopteris* ‘Dark Knight’

*Cenolophium denudatum*

*Centaurea* ‘Jordy’

*Clematis integrifolia*

*Clematis integrifolia* ‘Pangbourne Pink’

*Clematis* ‘Edward Prichard’

*Cirsium rivulare* ‘Atropurpureum’

*Cornus* ‘Buds Yellow’

*Crocosmia* ‘Citronella’

🕆 *Diascia* 'Ruby Field'

*Dictamnus albus* ‘Purpurea’

*Echinacea pallida*

*Echinacea purpurea*

*Echinacea purpurea* ‘White Swan’

*Echinops ritro* ‘Veitch’s Blue’

*Eupatorium dubium* ‘Little Joe’

🕆 *Euphorbia characias* ‘Portuguese Velvet’

*Euphorbia cornigera*

*Euphorbia donii*

*Euphorbia oblongata*

*Euphorbia* x *arendsii*

*Euphorbia* x *pasteurii*

*Euphorbia* ‘Baby charm’

*Euphorbia* ‘Black pearl’

🕆 *Euphorbia* 'Silver Fog'

*Ferula* *tingitana* ‘Cedric Morris’

🕆 *Francoa sonchifolia*

🕆 *Geranium* ‘Azure Rush’

*Geranium* x *magnificum*

*Geranium phaeum*

*Gillenia trifoliata*

*Hedera* ‘Green Ripple’

*Hesperis matronalis*

*Knautia macedonica* ‘Melton Pastels’

*Knautia macedonica* ‘Red Knight’

*Lamium orvala*

*Lathyrus vernus*

*Lavandula angustifolia* ‘Felice’

*Miscanthus sinensis*

*Molina caerulea* ssp. *caerulea* ‘Fontõne’

*Molina caerulea* ssp. *caerulea* ‘Heidebraut’

*Molina caerulea* ssp. *caerulea* ‘Moorhexe’

🕆 *Monarda* ‘Prarienacht’

🕆 *Nepeta* ‘Limelight’

*Nepeta* ‘Purrsian Blue’

*Nepeta racemose* ‘Walker’s Low’

*Nepeta racemose* ‘Little Titch’

*Nicotiana sylvestris*

*Paeonia cambessedesii*

*Paeonia mlokosewitschii*

*Papaver orientale* ‘Patty’s Plum’

🕆 *Pennisetum* Purple Millet’

*Pennisetum* ‘Red Buttons’

*Phlomis tuberosa* ‘Bronze Flamingo’

*Phormium* ‘Surfer’

*Phuopsis stylosa* ‘Purpurea’

*Polypodium vulgare*

*Rudbeckia occidentalis* ‘Green Wizard’

🕆 *Salvia* 'Amistad'

*Saliva* ‘Black & Blue’

🕆 *Selinum wallichianum*

*Selinum tenuifolium*

🕆 *Stachys byzantina* ‘Big Ears’

*Thalictrum delavayi* ‘Splendide’

*Thalictrum rochebrunianum*

*Trachelospermum jasminoides*

**STEPS**

*Camassia quamash*

*Delphinium requienii*

*Erigeron karvinskianus* ‘Profusion’

*Euphorbia characias* ‘Humpty Dumpty’

*Fritillaria meleagris*

*Geranium phaeum*

*Lavandula angustifolia* ‘Hidcote’

🕆 *Phacelia tanacetifolia*

*Pimpinella major* ‘Rosea’

*Primula vulgaris*

**TOP BORDERS including the woodland**

*Alchemilla mollis*

*Anemone lipsiensis*

*Anemone nemorosa*

*Betula utilis* var*. jacquemontii*

*Brunnera macrophylla*

*Brunnera macrophylla* ‘Jack Frost’

*Colchicum* ‘Innocence’

*Convallaria majalis*

*Cyclamen hederifolium*

*Digitalis purpurea*

*Gallium*

*Gladiolus byzantinus*

*Helleborus orientalis*

*Hyacinthoides non-scripta*

*Iris foetidissima* ‘Citriodora’

*Millium effusum* ‘Aureum’

*Nectaroscordum siculum*

*Paris quadrifolia*

*Primula vulgaris*

*Stachyurus praecox*

*Taxus baccata*

*Tulipa* ‘Spring Green’

**POTS & CONTAINERS**

*Abutilon* ‘Red tiger’

*Aconitum hemsleyanum*

*Agapanthus* ‘Kingston’

*Agapanthus umbellatus* ‘Alba

x *Amarine tubergenii* ‘Anastasia’

*Anemone blanda* ‘White Splendour’

*Calocephalus* ‘Titanium’

*Carex testacea*

*Canna* ‘Tropicanna black’

*Cestrum parqui* ‘Cretian purple’

*Cheilanthes tomentosa*

*Clematis viticella* ‘Étoile Violette’

*Convolvulus cneorum* ‘Silverbush’

*Cobaea scandens*

*Crocus* ‘Orange Monarch’

*Crocus kotyschyanus*

*Cycas revoluta*

*Cyclamen hederifolium*

*Dactylicapnos scandens*

*Dianthus* ‘Starry Eyes’

x *Digiplexis* ‘Illumination Raspberry’

🕆 x *Digiplexis* ‘Illumination Berry Canary’

*Dolichos lablab*

*Dryopteris erythrosora* ‘Prolifica’

*Eccremocarpus scaber*

*Echeveria albicans*

*Echeveria* ‘Black Prince’

*Echeveria parva*

*Echeveria lilacina*

*Echeveria pulidonis*

*Echium pininana*

*Echium virescens*

*Festuca glauca* ‘Intense Blue’

French marigold ‘Flame’

*Fritillaria michailovskyi*

*Helleborus niger* ‘Advent Star’

*Helleborus* ‘Christmas Carol’

*Helleborus* ‘Frostkiss Dorothy’s Dawn’

*Heucherella* ‘Buttered Rum’

*Hosta* ‘Curly Fries’

*Hosta fortunei* ‘Albopicta’

*Muscari latifolium*

*Pelargonium* ‘Bullseye Scarlet’

*Pennisetum* ‘Hameln’

*Phormium* ‘Yellow wave’

🕆 *Ipomoea* x *sloteri*

🕆 *Ipomoea* *purpurea* ‘Grandpa Otts’

*Ipomoea* ‘Heavenly Blue’

*Juncus effusus* ‘Spiralis’

*Lamium maculatum* ‘Beacon Silver’

*Mina lobata*

*Prunus* ‘Kojo No Mai’

*Roscoea purpurea* ‘Red Gurkha’

*Rosmarinus officinalis* ‘Prostratus’

*Sarcococca confusa*

*Selaginella kraussiana* ‘Aurea’

*Sempervivum* ‘Reinhard’

*Sempervivum braunii*

*Sempervivum fauconnetii*

*Sempervivum* ‘Utopian’

*Scilla siberica*

*Stipa tenuissima*

*Thunbergia* ‘Sunny Suzie Red Orange’

*Tretrapanax papyrifera* ‘Rex’

*Vagaria parviflora*

*Viola* ‘Sky Blue Martien’

**FRONT GARDEN**

*Akebia pentaphylla*

*Alchemilla mollis*

*Amicia zygomeris*

*Amsonia tabernaemontana*

*Aster divaricatus*

*Azara microphylla*

*Carex testacea*

🕆 *Ceanothus repens*

*Chamaerops humilis*

*Cenolophium denudatum*

*Clematis rehderiana*

*Clematis* ‘Roundway bluebird’

*Colquhounia coccinea*

*Colutea* ‘Copper beauty’

*Euphorbia* x *arendsii* (*wallichii* x *griffithii*)

*Euphorbia characias* ‘Black Pearl’

*Euphorbia lathyris*

*Euphorbia oblongata*

*Euphorbia* x *pasteurii*

*Euphorbia* x *pasteurii* ‘Skinny Bere’

*Euphorbia polychroma*

*Fascicularia bicolor*

*Fatsia japonica*

*Galanthus nivalis*

*Geranium* ‘Samobor’

*Iris* ‘Black Swan’

*Iris unguicularis*

🕆 *Magnolia grandiflora*

*Melianthus major*

*Nicotiana sylvestris*

*Phlomis russeliana*

*Solanum crispum*

*Stipa gigantea*

*Trachycarpus fortunei*

*Verbena bonariensis*

**CONSERVATION HEDGE**

Field maple – *Acer campestre*

Common alder – *Alnus glutinosa*

Common dogwood – *Cornus sanguinea*

Hazel – *Corylus avellana*

Hawthorn – *Crataegus monogyna*

Blackthorn – *Prunus spinosa*

Purging buckthorn – *Rhamnus cathartica*

Dog rose – *Rosa canina*

Sallow – *Salix cinerea*

Guelder rose – *Viburnum opulus*