

The Native Plant Report

Dwarf Fothergilla

The Native Plant Report showcases native species from Barrington's Resilience Garden near the library, encouraging us all to plant natives in our yards. By choosing these resilient plants, we can strengthen our landscapes and support local wildlife together.



01 About

Dwarf Fothergilla (*Fothergilla gardenii*) is a compact native shrub that impresses year-round. It produces fragrant, fluffy white flowers in spring, and its foliage turns vibrant shades of yellow, orange, and red in the fall. This hardy plant fits well in small gardens and adds texture and color to larger landscapes.

Ecological Benefits 02

Dwarf Fothergilla supports local pollinators, especially bees, during its spring bloom. As a native plant, it enhances soil health, strengthens biodiversity, and contributes to a pest-resistant, sustainable garden.



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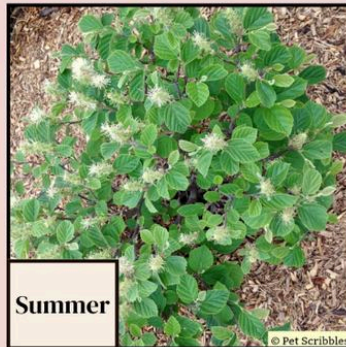
Dwarf Fothergilla offers year-round beauty:

- Spring: Fragrant, fluffy white blooms.
- Summer: Lush green foliage.
- Fall: Vivid foliage in shades of yellow, orange, and red.
- Winter: Elegant branches.

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Growing Requirements

Ideal for partial shade, Dwarf Fothergilla prefers well-drained, acidic soil but adapts to various conditions. It's low-maintenance and drought-tolerant once established, making it an easy addition to most yards.

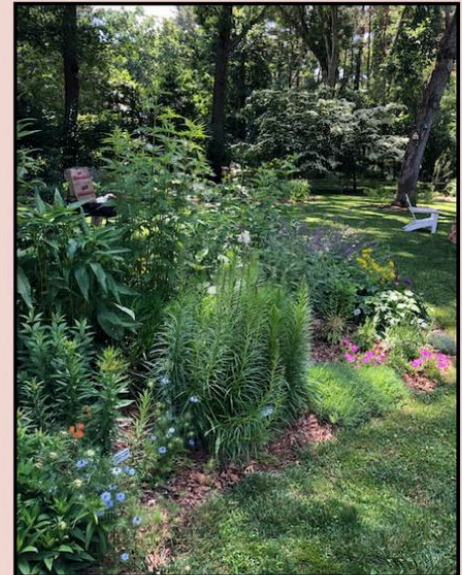


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Getting Started

Choose a partially shaded spot with well-drained soil. Plant in early spring or fall to encourage root growth, and pair it with other native plants for a resilient, low-maintenance garden. Dwarf Fothergilla is a simple way to add natural beauty and support local ecosystems.

The image to the right shows a thriving resilience garden right here in Barrington! Being a partially shaded garden with well-drained soil, it is an ideal environment for native plants like the Dwarf Fothergilla, which contribute to local biodiversity and resilience. This garden serves as a wonderful model for those looking to create their own resilient landscapes.



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