

“Groundcovers are our Friends”

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Slide List:

1. The garden of my mentor and inspiration on groundcovers – Judy Partridge
2. Jeffersonia dubia (Twinleaf)
3. Podophyllum ‘Spottie Dottie’, Adiantum venustum (Himalayan maidenhair fern), Ladyslipper orchid, and trillium in the fabulous Glen Pace garden, in Clio (SH)
4. Closeup of P. ‘Spottie Dottie’ with Adiantum pedatum (Northern Maidenhair) (SH)
5. Sweet Woodruff in bloom (SH)
6. Lily of the Valley in bloom (SH)
7. Variegated Lily of the Valley (Convallaria majalis ‘Variegata’) ‘Stripes’ (SH)
8. “ growing in our garden with Epimedium ‘Pink Champagne’ (SH)
9. Tiarella ‘Sugar and Spice’ in fragrant bloom (SH)
10. Heirloom Primula that makes a fine long blooming groundcover (SH)
11. Primula japonica ‘Miller’s Crimson’ (Candelabra type) (SH)
12. English Oxlip dark yellow double (Primula elatior) (SH)
13. Primula kisoana in leaf is a mighty groundcover with soft attractive leaves (pink) (SH)
14. Fern-type plant that gently spreads and catches light (Corydalis cheilanthesfolia) (SH)
15. Lamium (‘Chequers’), Autumn Fern, Solomon’s Seal, Heuchera ‘Pistache’, Pachysandra procumbens and P. variegata (SH)
16. Established Hedera helix (hardy ivy) with a groovy wagon wheel fence and barbed wire orbs (SH)
17. Dark handsome glossy hosta with a Vancouveria hexandra backdrop (SH)
18. Vinca minor ‘Illumination’ (variegated Myrtle, Periwinkle) (PT SH/SH)
Photo courtesy: Jacki Cohen
19. Microbiota decussata (Siberian cypress) Aralia ‘Sun King’, Ligularia, ferns (SU/PT SH)
20. Epimedium (evergreen) (SH)
21. Carex ‘Ice Dance’ (PT SH/SH)
22. Carex ‘Bowe’s Golden’ with Brunnera ‘Jack Frost’ (PT SH/SH)

23. *Ophiopogon japonicus* 'Nana' (dwarf Mondo grass) "Good neighbor path" (PT SU/SH)
24. *Ophiopogon nigrescens* (black mondo grass) with Hosta 'Curly Fries' (PT SU/SH)
25. *Carex* 'Banana Boat' in our garden, stays wintergreen over winter (PT SH)
26. *Carex oshimensis* Evercolor 'Everest' (PT SU/SH)
27. *Carex siderosticha* 'Variegata' with purple *Torenia* (PT SH)
28. *Carex* sid. 'Snow Cap' with eye-catching white variegation (SH)
29. *Hakonechloa macra* 'Aureola' pondside in the Partridge garden (PT SH)
30. *Pulmonaria* 'Trevi Fountain' (Look also for P. 'Lisa Marie') (PT SU/SH)
31. Clever garden walk trick: allium heads as a groundcover
32. Euonymous 'Wolong's Ghost' with Hellebore (PT SH)
33. " close up
34. *Pachysandra* 'Green Sheen' (SU/SH)
35. Native *Pachysandra procumbens* (Allegheny Spurge) (SH)
36. Regular *Pachysandra* (*terminalis*) with P. 'Green Sheen' mixed (PT SH)
37. *Pachysandra terminalis* 'Variegata' with Myrtle (SH)
38. Strawberry Begonia (*Saxifraga stolonifera*) Photo Courtesy: Jacki Cohen
39. Japanese Tassel Fern (*Polystichum polyblepharum*) (PT SH/SH)
40. *Pulmonaria*, Japanese Painted Fern, *Thalictrum minus*, *Cheilanthes folia*, hosta (PT SH)
41. Lady Fern (*Athyrium felix-femina*) spreading her way along a stone wall (PT SH)
42. Maidenhair Fern (*Adiantum pedatum*) (SH)
43. *Athyrium pictum* (Japanese Painted Fern) PPA, Hosta 'Blue Mouse Ears', H. Autumn Frost' (PT SH)
44. Christmas Fern (*Polystichum acrostichoides*) (SH)
45. Sensitive Fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*) with hostas, Solomon's Seal along shady path (PT SH)
46. *Anemonella thalictroides* (Rue anemone), *Brunnera* in flower, creeping Jenny creating a carpet below tulips (PT SH)
47. Hosta, Solomon's Seal 'Fred Case' and Mr. Frog cover the ground (SH)
48. Hosta 'Mighty Mouse' (look for the collectible Mouse Ears series) (PT SH)
49. Hosta 'Blue Mouse Ears' (PT SH)
50. Swanky hosta collection of Hosta breeder and collector, Marc Whitefield
51. *Hosta clausa* (PT SH)
52. Hostas in pine needle mulch in late afternoon sunlight

53. Brunnera 'Jack Frost' with Japanese Painted Fern (PT SH)
54. " close up
55. " in flower
56. Begonia grandis emerges late in spring through Meadowrue (SH)
57. Heucherella 'Tapestry' (SH)
58. Glossy, larged leafed Solomon's seal (SH)
59. Disporopsis, a miniature low ground cover (Solomon's Seal relative) (PT SH)
60. Solomon's seal fall color (PPA) (PT SH)
61. Hardy Cyclamen hederifolium (SH)
62. " in flower
63. Hardy cyclamen Coum
64. Asarum repens (hardy ginger) (SH)
65. Asarum europaeum (European ginger) (PT SH)
66. Thalictrum ichangense 'Evening Star' (Meadow Rue) (PT SUN)
67. Buxus sempervirens 'Unraveled' (weeping boxwood) (PT SH)
68. Phlox divaricata 'May Breeze' (woodland phlox) (PT SH)
69. Lamium, ajuga, lysimachia 'Goldilocks', English bluebells (PT SH)
70. Liriope muscari 'Gold Band' (Var. Lily Turf) w/Begonia grandis (FS/PT SH)
Photo courtesy: Jacki Cohen
71. Hypericum calycinum 'Brigadoon' (St John's Wort) (PT SU)
72. Ajuga test for MG (PT SU/PT SH)
73. Ajuga 'Chocolate Chip' hopscotch path (PT SU/PT SH)
74. Ajuga 'Metallica Crispa' (PT SU)
75. Ajuga 'Black Scallop' (PT SU)
76. Ajuga 'Pink Lightning' (PT SH)
77. Ajuga tenorii 'Princess Nadia' (MG) (PT SH)
78. Tiarella 'Spring Symphony' with Glacidium palmatum (PT SH-SH)
79. Sweet Woodruff blends in with understory to falling fruit tree flowers (PT SH)
80. Vancouveria hexandra (SH)
81. Heuchera 'Palace Purple' (PPA) (SU/PT SH)
82. Heuchera 'Autumn Bride' with annual alyssums (SU/PT SH)
83. H. 'Autumn Bride' with Anemone japonica 'Pretty Lady Series' (PT SU/PT SH)
84. The real deal: Japanese Anemone au naturel (SU)
85. Tinantia pringlei (PT SU/ PT SH)
86. Astilbe 'Chocolate Shogun', 'Delft Lace', 'Pumila' (PT SH)
87. Astilbe 'Sprite' (PT SH)

88. Celadon Poppy (*Stylophorum diphyllum*) (SU/SH)
89. Creeping phlox in part shade (PT SU)
90. Aggressive Lamium 'Chequers' with tulips and ceramic orb (color echoing)
91. Gabion wall as a ground cover when all else fails in sea of delicate ferns
92. *Corydalis* 'Blackberry Wine' and Geum (PT SU)
93. *Allium* 'Millenium' en masse (SU)
94. *Dianthus gratianopolitanus* 'Firewitch' (PPA) (SU)
95. Pine needle shady path
96. Phlox, sedums, iris, geranium, oregano.... Clever devil's strip rock garden (SU)
97. *Miscanthus sinensis* 'Silver Feather' (SU)
98. *Chrysanthemum* 'Hillside Sheffield Pink/apricot' (SU)
99. *Erysium kotschyannum* 'Orange Flame' (wallflower) with dianthus collection (SU)
100. Kale carpet (SU)
101. *Nepeta*, *Colchicum*, Lamb's Ear growing in gravel (SU)
102. Miniature Sage with *Helianthemum* (SU/PT SU)
103. Large leafed Sage (SU/PT SU)
104. *Glaucium flavum* (yellow hornpoppy), *Persicaria* 'Darjeeling Red', *Ajuga* 'Caitlin's Giant', *Yucca* 'Color Guard' (SU/PT SU)
105. "close up of *Glaucium flavum*, durable groundcover slowly reseeding
106. Barberry (look for new miniatures labeled seedless) spreading variegated Juniper (SU)
107. *Sedum reflexum* 'Blue Spruce' (SU)
108. *Artemisia stelleriana* 'Silver Falls' (SU)
109. " contrasting nicely with *Ajuga* 'Black Scallop' (PT SU)
110. *Euphorbia myrsinites* with Blue Rug Juniper (SU)
111. Creeping Thyme along a dry riverbed (SU)
112. *Cerastium tomentosum* (Snow in Summer), Lamb's Ear... (SU)
113. *Tanacetum parthenium* 'Aureum' (Golden Tansy, old-fashioned fave) (SU/SH)
114. Golden Oregano as groundcover (SU)
115. *Dianthus* bed as season winds down (SU)
116. Big root Geranium (*G. macrorrhizum*) (SU/PT SU/PT SH)
117. Geranium 'Alpenglow' in flower (SU)
118. Fall color on perennial Geranium leaves (SU)
119. Creeping Phlox in Clara's sunken garden at Ford Fair Lane (SU in spring)
120. *Iberis* (Candytuft) with creeping phlox and dwarf iris (SU)
121. Creeping Phlox in assorted colors ~ go big! (PT SU)

122. Species tulips with dwarf iris (SU)
123. Dwarf crested iris (PSU-SU)
124. Sempervivum, (Hens and Chicks) Chick Charms 'Cranberry Cocktail' (SU)
125. Opuntia humifusa (Eastern Prickly Pear) (SU)
126. Juniper 'Saybrook Gold' (SU)
127. Achillea ptarmica 'Peter Cottontail' (18-24"t x 28-30" wide) (PT SU/SU)
128. Sedum acre (SU)
129. Sanguisorba 'Little Angel' (dwarf burnet) (PT SU)
130. Persicaria 'Pink Elephant' (SU)
131. Verbena bonariensis, tsunami when it reseeds (SU)
132. Golden oregano as groundcover (SU)
133. Rehmannia glutinosa next to hardy fuchsia, Zauschneria 'Orange Carpet' (SU)
134. English bluebells (Hyacinthoides non-scripta) Old House Gardens (PT SU)
135. Aster ageratoides 'Ezo Murasaki' – dramatic season ender (SU)
136. Lantana in ground as groundcover (SU)
137. Picea abies 'Pendula' (weeping spruce) (SU)
138. Euonymus 'Moonshadow' (PT SU/SU)
139. Picea abies in different location, pruned in wave-like fashion (SU)
140. Rudbeckia 'American Gold Rush' no leaf spot (Love this plant!) (SU)
141. Hens & Chicks (Hot Mix Selection) flashy groundcover flat (SU)
142. Classic Hens & Chicks in a serene setting (SU)
143. A thoughtful collection of groundcovers creates a calming tapestry
144. **Look for New for '22:** Artemisia gmelinii SunFern 'Arcadia' 14"x24" (PTSU)
Also companion upright version A. gmelinii SunFern 'Olympia.'
145. Lysimachia alfredii 'Night Light', (PTSU – SH) Z:5a, also Lysimachia congestiflora 'Firefly' (PTSU – SH) Zone 5b
146. Heuchera x villosa 'Big Top Caramel Apple' Zone 4 (PTSU/SH)
147. Nepeta subsessilis 'Prelude Purple' (SU)

Thank you for hosting me as your Zoom speaker this evening. If you have questions or would like to keep in touch, feel free to find me on Facebook and let's become friends, or email: julia@juliabiglife.com