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**Hypothetically Deer-“Resistant” Plants
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Short of enclosing one's garden with a very tall fence, absolute deer-resistance is a myth. If they are hungry enough, deer will sample anything. Deer prefer soft growth with high water content, especially flower buds. If you live with and around deer populations, it's better to think in relative terms and grow plants that have been observed to be toward the bottom of their hierarchy of taste. Some of these plants are toxic, others have offensive (to deer) pungent smells, and still others simply have unpalatable textures. The following list is not exhaustive but includes plants that we carry here at Mary's Greenhouse.

Achillea (Yarrow)	Basil (Ocimum) (annual herb)
Acorus (Sweet Flag)	Bergenia (Pigsqueak)
Aegopodium (Bishop's Weed)	Bignonia (Crossvine)
Agastache (Anise Hyssop)	Brugmansia (Angel's Trumpet)
Agave	Brunnera (Heartleaf Forget-Me-Not)
Ageratum (annual)	Buddleja (Butterfly Bush)
Ajuga (Bugleweed)	Calamagrostis (Feather Reed Grass)
Alchemilla (Lady's Mantle)	Campanula (some)
Allium (Ornamental Onion)	Campsis (Trumpet Creeper)
Alocasia (Elephant Ear)	Carex (various Sedges)
Alyssum (annual)	Caryopteris (Bluebeard)
Amsonia (Blue-star)	Centaurea (Bachelor's Buttons)
Anchusa (Alkanet)	Centranthus (Red Valerian)
Anemone	Ceratostigma (Dwarf Plumbago)
Angelonia	Chasmanthium (Northern Sea Oats)
Aquilegia (Columbine)	Chelone (Turtlehead)
Aralia cordata	Chives (Garlic, Onion) (Allium)
Artemisia	Cimicifuga
Asarum (Wild Ginger)	Clematis (some)
Asclepias	Cleome (annual)
Asparagus sprengeri (Asparagus Fern) (annual)	Colocasia (Elephant Ear)
Aster	Convallaria (Lily of the Valley)
Astilbe	Coreopsis
Athyrium (various hardy ferns)	Cortaderia (Pampas Grass)
Baptisia (False Indigo)	Corydalis

Crocasmia
Delosperma (Ice Plant)
Delphinium
Dianthus
Dicentra (Bleeding Heart)
Digitalis (Foxglove)
Dryopteris (various hardy ferns)
Dusty Miller (annual)
Echeveria
Echinacea (Purple Coneflower)
Eragrostis spectabilis (Purple Love Grass)
Eupatorium (Joe Pye Weed)
Euphorbia (Spurge)
Festuca (Blue Fescue Grass)
Fuchsia (annual)
Gaillardia
Gaura
Gazania
Geranium (annual/perennial)
Germander (Teucrium)
Geum
Gypsophila (Baby's Breath)
Hakonechloa (Japanese Forest Grass)
Helichrysum (annual)
Helleborus
Heuchera
Heucherella
Hibiscus (some)
Horehound (Marrubium)
Houttuynia
Hypericum
Iberis (Candytuft)
Iris
Juncus effusus
Kniphofia (Red Hot Poker)
Lagerstroemia (Crape Myrtle)
Lamiastrum
Lamium

Lantana (annual)
Lavender
Lemon Balm (Melissa)
Leonotis (Lion's Ear) (annual)
Liatris (Gayfeather)
Ligularia
Lilium (Asian and Oriental Lily)
Liriope
Lobelia (Cardinal Flower)
Lonicera (Honeysuckle)
Loropetalum
Lysimachia (Creeping Jenny)
Mangave
Marigold (annual)
Matteuccia (Ostrich Fern)
Mazus
Mints (Mentha)
Miscanthus (various grasses)
Monarda (Bee Balm)
Monardella macrantha (Hummingbird Trumpet Mint)
Muehlenbeckia (Creeping Wire Vine)
Nasella (Mexican Feather Grass)
Nepeta (Catnip and Catmint)
Nicotiana (Flowering Tobacco) (annual)
Oenothera (Evening Primrose)
Onoclea (Sensitive Fern)
Ophiopogon (Mondo Grass)
Opuntia (Prickly Pear)
Oregano (Organum)
Osmunda (Royal Fern, Cinnamon Fern)
Oxalis (Shamrock)
Pachysandra
Paeonia (Peony)
Panicum (Switch Grass)
Papaver (Poppy)
Pennisetum (Fountain Grass)
Perovskia (Russian Sage)
Phalaris (Ribbon Grass)
Platycodon (Balloon Flower)

Pleioblastus (Dwarf Bamboo)
Polemonium (Jacob's Ladder)
Polygonatum (Variegated Solomon's Seal)
Polystichum (various hardy ferns)
Pulmonaria (Lungwort)
Rosemary (Rosmarinus)
Rubus (Creeping Raspberry)
Rudbeckia
Rumex (Red Veined Sorrel)
Rue (Ruta)
Sagina (Irish Moss, Scotch Moss)
Salvia
Santolina
Saxifraga
Schizachyrium (Little Bluestem)
Sedum (several)
Sempervivum (Hens and Chicks)
Sisyrinchium (Blue-eyed Grass)
Snapdragon (annual)
Solidago (Goldenrod)
Spigelia marilandica (Indian Pink)
Sporobolus heterolepsi (Prairie Dropseed)
Stachys (Lamb's Ears)
Stokesia (Stokes' Aster)
Sweet Woodruff (Galium)
Thelypteris (Southern Wood Fern)
Thyme (Thymus)
Tiarella (Foamflower)
Tradescantia (Spiderwort)
Verbena
Veronica (Speedwell)
Vinca (annual)
Vinca minor
Weigela
Wisteria
Yucca
Zantedeschia (Calla Lily)