

General Ground Cover Spacing

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Spacing your ground covers

Groundcovers generally take 1½ growing seasons to fill in and completely establish themselves. Planting closer together can speed this to one growing season, while planting further apart can increase this to two growing seasons. Spacing is based on growth rate and the mature spread of the plants. The rate will vary somewhat depending on soil fertility, irrigation, climate, and maintenance practices

Inches between plants square foot	# of Plants per
3	16
4	9
5	5.75
6	4
7	2.93
8	2.25
9	1.78
10	1.44
12	1

Ageopodium - Snow in Summer 6-8" shade

Ajuga- 10-14"

Aremeria - Sea thirt 10-14"

Asarum - European Ginger 10-14"

Astilbe 'Visions'- 14-18" shade

Astilbe pumila- 12-16" shade

Astilbe 'White Gloria'- 14-18" shade

Campanula White or Blue Clips- 12-14"

Certagima plumbago- 6-10"

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Convillaria *Lily of the Valley 8-12"

Corpeopsis -'Moonbeam 1 1/2-2'

Coronilla - Crown Vetch 10-12"

Delosperma- 10-14"

Dianthus 'Bath's'- 10-14"

Dianthus 'Tiny Rubies'- 10-14'

Epimedium- 10-14" shade

GaliumSweet Woodruff**- 10-14" shade

Geranium 'Ballerina'- 10-14"

Geranium 'Johnson's Blue'- 14-18"

Hedra - Ivy- 12-14" Shade

Hosta

Houttynia - *Chameleon Plant- 10-12"

Lamistrum 'Herman's Pride'- 8-12" shade

Lamistrum 'Yellow Archangel'- 10-14" shade

Lamium - **DeadNettle**- 10-14" shade

Lavender- 1-1 1/2'

Lirope - Lilly Turf- 10-14"

Lysimachia - Creeping Jenny- 8-10"

Mazus- 8-10"

Nepata - Catmint- 1 1/2 - 2'

Pachysandra - Spurge- 8-12"

Pachysandra varigated- 4-6"

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Pulmonaria*Lungwort- 12-16"*shade

Sagina - Irish/Scottish Moss- 6-10"

Saponaria - Soapwort- 12-16"

Sedum Ellacombianum- 6-8"

Sempervivum Hens & chicks- 8-10"

Thyme- 8-12"

Tiarella - Foamflower- 12-16" shade

Vinca* - Myrtle- 10-12" shade