

GREEN MULCH

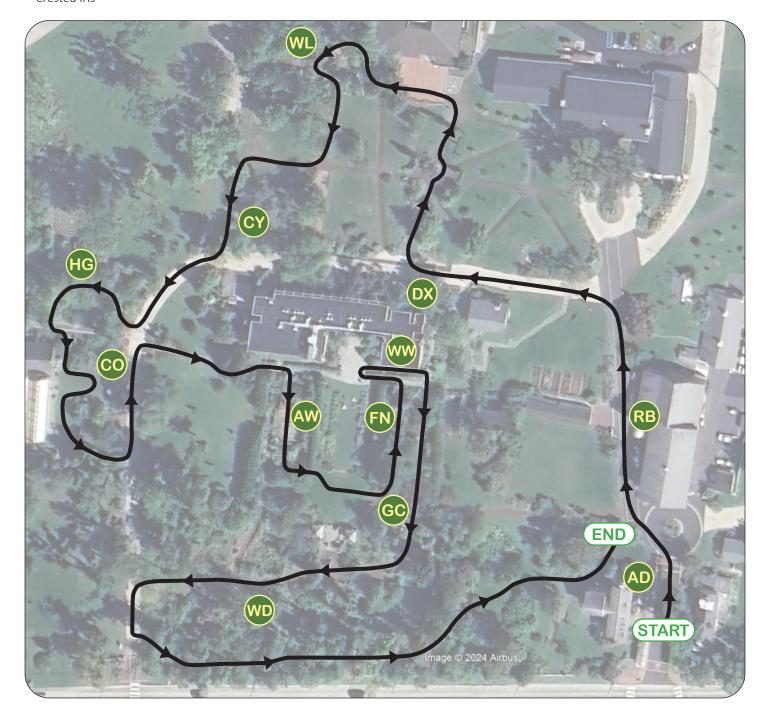
A Self-Guided Tour of Weed-Suppressing Plants



Crested iris

What is green mulch?

Also called "living mulch," these densely-growing plants can reduce soil erosion, prevent weed establishment, and moderate soil moisture and temperature. But unlike traditional mulch products, green mulches provide habitat for beneficial insect populations, intercept rainwater to reduce runoff, cool the soil and surrounding air through evapotranspiration, and display changing colors and textures throughout the year. Come take a look!





Golden ragwort in the Wetland Garden



Canadian wild ginger and violets near the entrance to Dixon Hall



Barrenwort in the Woodland Garden



Dwarf yarrow in the Waterwise Garden

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Administration Building

Carex siderosticha 'Variegata' (creeping broad-leaved sedge)

Red Barn Gym

Ceratostigma plumbaginoides (hardy plumbago) Liriope spicata (creeping lily-turf) Polystichum polyblepharum (tassel fern) Packera aurea (golden ragwort)

Dixon Hall

Asarum canadense (Canadian wild ginger) Carex plantaginea (seersucker sedge) Heuchera americana (American alumroot) Heuchera villosa 'Autumn' (hairy alumroot)

Wetland Garden
Packera aurea (golden ragwort)

Courtyard Garden
Carex flacca (blue-green sedge)
Carex flaccosperma (blue wood sedge)
Carex laxiculmis 'Hobb' Bunny Blue™ (creeping sedge)
Heuchera americana (American alumroot)
Heuchera villosa 'Autumn' (hairy alumroot)

Hypericum calycinum (creeping St. John's wort)

- Healing Garden

 Carex pensylvanica (Pennsylvania sedge)
- Colibraro Conifer Garden

 Dianthus 'Firewitch' (creeping pinks)
- Albright Winter Garden

 Euphorbia amygdaloides subsp. robbiae (Robb's wood spurge)

 Epimedium hybrids (barrenwort)

 Helleborus hybrids (hellebore)
- Groundcover Garden

 Helleborus orientalis (Lenten rose)

 Geranium macrorrhizum (bigroot geranium)
- Native Formal Garden
 Carex plantaginea (seersucker sedge)
 Iris cristata (crested iris)
 Packera aurea (golden ragwort)
- Waterwise Garden

 Achillea millefolium 'Desert Eve Red' (yarrow)

 Antennaria plantaginifolia (pussytoes)

 Nasella tenusissima (Mexican feathergrass)
- Woodland Garden

 Epimedium hybrids (barrenwort)

 Pleioblastus pygmaeus (dwarf fern-leaf bamboo)