










# MOST POPULAR SUN ANNUALS FOR THE SOUTH

Plant Name	Description	Bloom Time	Light Description	Spacing	Height	Companion Plants
 Petunia	This all-time favorite enlivens the garden with a profusion of blooms and is irresistible to butterflies and hummingbirds. Splendid in hanging baskets and containers.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	6"-12" apart	10-15" tall	Begonia, Dahlia, Marigold
 Viola/Pansy	A rainbow of bright flowers carpets the garden. Attractive cut flower and beautiful at garden's edge, in rock gardens or as a small-scale ground cover. Prefers cool weather.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	4-8" apart	6-9" tall	Snapdragon, Dusty Miller, Flowering Cabbage
 Marigold	Vibrant flowers bloom above fragrant, highly divided foliage. This fast-growing annual is well-suited for garden's edge, container gardening, or window boxes.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	4-8" apart	10-12" tall	Portulaca, Vinca, Salvia
 Flowering Vinca	Bright, cheerful flowers cover mounds of lush foliage. Great for attracting butterflies to gardens, patio tubs or hanging baskets.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	8-12" apart	12" tall	Petunia, Zinnia, Salvia
 Geranium	Exceptionally large, long-lasting flowers on durable plants. Vibrant blossoms provide a season-long display of color and attract hummingbirds and butterflies.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	6-15" apart	12-15" tall	Angelonia, Dianthus, Calibrachoa
 Dianthus	Beautiful, often fragrant flowers in a wide array of colors are a classic favorite for any garden. Wonderful in herb or rock gardens, as a small-scale ground cover, or at garden's edge.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	4-8" apart	4-15" tall	Zonal Geranium, Vinca, Marigold
 Pentas	Clusters of lovely star-shaped flowers attract butterflies. Bushy plants covered with flowers are wonderful for containers or at garden's edge. Remove spent flowers to promote reblooming.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	4-6" apart	15-24" tall	Zonal Geranium, Lantana, Verbena
 Portulaca	Lively, vibrant flowers atop ground-hugging, thick succulent foliage. Plant in large groups to form a dense mat of spectacular color, or add to combination pots among other annuals.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	6-8" apart	5" tall	Zinnia, Vinca, Marigold
 Salvia	Vibrant flower spikes attract butterflies to the garden and are great cut flowers. Complements many perennials including yarrow, coreopsis and ornamental grasses.	Spring- Fall	6 or more hours of sun	4-8" apart	10-12" tall	Zinnia, Dusty Miller, Marigold

## SOUTHERN STATES

AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA

## FLOWER BED TIPS

- Do a soil test
- Add organic matter/compost
- Match plant needs to garden spot
- Mulch after planting

