Native Plants for Organic Soils

*Achlys triphylla*  
Vanilla Leaf  
Grows low to the ground, spreading by rhizomes to form dense ground cover in shady areas.  
Height: To 12 inches (30 cm) tall.

*Adiantum aleuticum*  
Maidenhair Fern, Aleutian maidenhair, western maidenhair, serpentine maidenhair  
Small to medium-sized delicate, deciduous fern with a fan-shaped arrangement of five to seven fingerlike branchlets each bearing many toothed leaflets.  
Prefers humus rich soils and well-drained, moist sites. Tolerant of serpentine soils.  
Height: 6-43 inches (15-110 cm).

*Asarum caudatum*  
Wild Ginger  
Low-growing evergreen perennial that smells strongly of lemon-ginger when crushed.  
Prefers rich soils.  
Height: Can grow up to 8 inches (20 cm) tall.

*Blechnum spicant*  
Deer Fern  
Dark green fern leaves grow in tufts from short, stout rhizomes.  
Height: Up to 40 inches (1 meter) tall.

*Cornus unalaschkensis*  
Bunchberry  
Low, trailing, rhizomatous perennial with white flowers.  
Can tolerate nitrogen-poor soils.  
Height: Up to 10 inches (25 cm).

*Dryopteris expansa*  
Spiny Wood Fern  
A semi-evergreen fern of woodland areas with triangular fronds from a stout rhizome.  
Height: To 3 feet (1 meter) tall.

*Fraxinus latifolia*  
Oregon Ash  
Tough-wooded tree with gray bark and compound leaflets arranged oppositely around twigs.  
Prefers saturated.  
Height: Up to 82 feet (25 meters).
**Heuchera micrantha**  
Small-flowered Alumroot  
Grows from rhizomes with one to many flower stems that are reddish and covered with fine hairs and topped with delicate panicles of tiny white flowers.  
Height: Up to 2 feet (60 cm).

**Maianthemum stellatum**  
Starflowered False Solomon's Seal

**Oxalis oregana**  
Wood Sorrel  
A delicate herb with clover-like leaves and white to pink flowers, forming carpets in forested areas.  
Prefers humus-rich soils.

**Tiarella trifoliata**  
Foamflower  
Herb with erect or ascending stems and spikes of dainty white flowers.  
Height: 2 feet (60 cm).

**Tolmiea menziesii**  
Piggy-back Plant  
A woodland herb whose leaves give rise to small plantlets.

**Trientalis latifolia**  
Broad-leaved Starflower  
A small delicate herb with a single whorl of leaves topped by several small, pink, star-shaped flowers.

**Trillium ovatum**  
Western Trillium  
Short stout stems topped with a whorl of three leaves and a single large white flower.  
Typically on sloped topography.  
Height: 12-18 inches (30-45 cm).
**Tsuga mertensiana**  
Mountain Hemlock  
Slow growing evergreen conifer.  
Height: Up to 40 meters (130 ft) tall, but often shorter.

**Urtica dioica**  
Stinging Nettle  
Tall perennial herb with deciduous leaves covered in stinging hairs.  
Prefers nutrient-rich soils.

**Vaccinium parvifolium**  
Red Huckleberry  
Delicately branched shrub with small red huckleberries, suitable for shady areas on decaying wood.  
Needs well decayed wood or bark; usually grows on old stumps and logs.  
Height: 4-10 feet (1.5-3 meters).

**Viola glabella**  
Yellow Wood Violet  
An attractive yellow-flowered violet of moist open woodlands.

**Viola sempervirens**  
Evergreen Violet  
A creeping violet with evergreen leaves and yellow flowers.