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Maianthemum canadense

Canada Mayflower



Also called wild lily-of-the-valley. An easy groundcover for heavy shade. Spreads to form large colonies. Creamy-white, feathery spires of flowers are charming in masses. They're followed by berries, first green, ripening to speckled red. Don't plant this with other, less aggressive woodland wildflowers; it will overwhelm them.

Suggested companions: Christmas fern (*Polystichum acrostichoides*), lady fern (*Athyrium filix-femina*).

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Plant Type: Wildflower

Size: 3"-6" H
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Water Tolerant: No

Habitat:

Forested Upland
Woodland Margin

Soil: Rich Moist
Average Garden Soil

Exposure: filtered
shade

Flower Color:
White

Plant in:

Groundcover: Yes

Bloom Time:
May
June

Other Attributes:
Deer resistant