

## April 2019 meeting

### Andrew Mikolajski - "Pin Me to the Wall"

#### Plant List

##### **Shrubs for informal training – Warm walls (south- or west-facing)**

*Ceanothus* : Blue flowers in spring/summer; deciduous forms hardier than evergreen.

*Fremontodendron californicum*: Bright yellow flowers in summer; stems covered in a skin-irritant powder.

*Itea ilicifolia*: Long racemes of pale apple green, scented flowers in summer.

*Cestrum parqui*: South American; night-scented flowers reliably produced only in hot conditions.

*Lagerstroemia indica*: Panicles of bright pink flowers in late summer/early autumn.

*Jasminum humile*: Upright, with glassy stems and scented yellow flowers in summer.

*Myrtus communis*: Myrtle; aromatic leaves and white flowers in late summer.

Fig: Prune in summer only lightly to expose fruits.

##### **Shrubs for informal training – Shady walls**

*Garry elliptica*: Winter flowering; useful as a support for late-flowering clematis.

##### **Shrubs for formal training**

*Malus* (apple): Can be espaliered; can fruit if flowering spurs are developed.

*Pyracantha*: Can be espaliered – at the expense of flowering and fruiting.

*Cedrus atlantica* f. *glauca* 'Pendula': Weeping form of Blue Atlas cedar; flexible stems are easily trained.

##### **Climbing plants (shade tolerant unless otherwise indicated)**

*Clematis* 'Alba Luxurians': White flowers touched with green from mid- to late summer; late flowers pure white.

*Clematis* 'Josephine': Large, double, rich pink flowers in mid-spring followed by a later crop of single flowers; best in sun

*Clematis* 'Fireworks': Large, luminous violet flowers in mid- to late spring – essential!

*Clematis* 'Mme Julia Correvon': Dark magenta-pink flowers over several weeks in summer

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**Climbing plants (shade tolerant unless otherwise indicated), continued**

*Clematis* 'Arabella': Flopping stems carry a succession of blue flowers throughout summer; best allowed to wander through low-growing shrubs.

*Passiflora* 'Silly Cow': For a warm wall; large, luminous violet flowers in summer – essential!

*Solanum laxum* 'Album': For a warm wall; endless clusters of white flowers until well into autumn.

*Trachelospermum jasminoides*: An evergreen for a warm wall; sweetly scented white flowers in summer.

*Lonicera x tellmanniana*: Unscented, trumpet-like yellow flowers in summer; tolerant of deep shade.

*Hydrangea petiolaris*: Large heads of white flowers in early summer; tolerant of deep shade but very slow to establish.

*Rosa* 'Fortune's Double Yellow': Loosely double yellow and pink flowers in late spring; needs a warm wall and minimal pruning; connoisseur's plant.

*Rosa banksiae* 'Lutea': Clusters of duckling yellow, unscented flowers in late spring; prone to mildew and a rampant monster once it gets going.

*Rosa* 'Etoile de Hollande': A good red rose for a warm wall; flowers tend to droop, so best when trained above eye level.

*Rosa* 'Malvern Hills': A yellow, repeat-flowering rambler, with flowers in clusters.

*Rosa* 'Albrighton Rambler': A repeat-flowering rambler like 'Malvern Hills' but pink; flowers small but perfectly formed.

*Rosa* 'Mermaid': A great plant for a stately home; tough, thorny stems carry large, single, yellow flowers over a long period.

*Rosa* 'Warm Welcome': Dainty miniature climber with clusters of vermilion-orange flowers over a long period; a must-have, and good in a container.