COZY 'ROOMS' BORDERS THAT ROCK FOUNTAINS COUNTRY ALMANACO PRESENTS #163 **Enticing Entries Showy Containers** Color in A Flash must-see sideyard edos

{ In the Shade }





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shade garden STRATEGIES

CREATE GARDENS THAT IMPROVE YEAR AFTER YEAR

55) Study Sun Patterns

(opposite bottom). Spend a week or two recording how sunlight moves through a shaded area to determine what plants will best suit your planting site.

56) Create Mirror Images

(opposite top). When one side of a path is shadier than the other, select plants with different light requirements that sport similar flowers.

57) Go Native Sun-loving prairie plants (top left), such as purple and white coneflowers, will flower in partially shaded gardens and make good companions for airier coral bells.

58) Shade it Spectacular

Mix in plants with leaves in varying shades of green (above). Think sage, forest, lime, and grassy green foliage.

59) Plant Up Use shade-tolerant vines (left), such as trumpet vine, honeysuckle, and climbing hydrangea, to draw eyes high.