Landscape Plant Identification Ground Covers

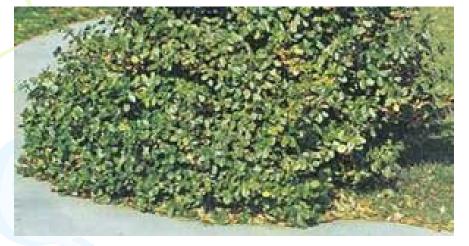
Ajuga – *Ajuga reptans*





- AKA: Carpet bugle
- Leaf: opp, purple/green, hairycoarse texture; serrated close to tip
- <u>Flower</u>: small purple
- <u>Stem</u>: purple, rhizomes
- <u>Habit</u>: very low growing but doesn't appear viney

Purple leaf wintercreeper – Euounymus fortunei 'coloratus'





- Leaf: opp, serrated leaves, some variegated white, defined pin. venation
- Flower:
- Fruit: N/A
- Stem: viney
- Habit: low lying "creeper" used to cover and prevent erosion

Purple leaf wintercreeper – con't



• Variegated version (white outlines)



English Ivy – Hedera helix





- Leaf: very defined palmate venation, 3-5 lobed alt leaf,
- <u>Flower</u>: yellow
- Fruit: N/A
- <u>Stem</u>: alt. buds
- <u>Habit</u>: low lying and climbing vines

Pachysandra - Pachysandra



- AKA: Spurge (not the weed)
- Leaf: dk green, glossy, whorled leaf arrgmt, upper leaf margin is mod. serrated
- Flower: sm white
- <u>Habit</u>: grows more upright than most grd covers

Periwinkle – Vinca minor





- Leaf: waxy, opposite, oval leaves; prominent, pinnate venation; very viney
- <u>Flower</u>: 5 petals, bluish-purple
- <u>Habit</u>: low lying and viney

Periwinkle – con't



• <u>Twig</u>: viney, opp scars and buds



