

## Carolina Native's Native Azalea Cheat Sheet (also at [www.carolinanativenursery.com](http://www.carolinanativenursery.com))

	Size	Bloom Time	Bloom Description	Characteristics, etc	Best Link with Photos
<b>R. arborescens</b> Sweet	Up to 15'	May to August	White with red pistils, sometimes yellow or yellow splotches, very fragrant	Shiny, dark green leaves, very hardy	<a href="#">Sweet Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. alabamense</b> Alabama	5-6'	April, May	White to White with yellow blotches, fragrant	Southern, Zones 6-8	<a href="#">Auburn University</a>
<b>R. atlanticum</b> Coastal, Dwarf	4-8'	April-May	White, sometimes flushed with pink, very fragrant	Leaves have a distinctive blue tint, Zones 5-8	<a href="#">Coastal Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. austrinum</b> Florida	8-10'	April-May	Yellow, gold, light orange, fragrant	Large leaves, hardy, zones 6-9	<a href="#">Florida Flame: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. calendulaceum</b> Flame, Honeysuckle	Up to 12'	Mid-summer	Varies from Yellow to bright orange, can hold blooms for weeks	Zones 5-7, can't handle heat	<a href="#">Flame Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. canadense</b> Rhodora	3-4'	April to May	Pink to purple, not fragrant	Stoloniferous, moist sites, Zones 3-6	<a href="#">Rhodora: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. canescens</b> Piedmont, Hoary	10-15'	Early Spring	Pink to rose, fragrant sweet to musky	Stoloniferous and big Zones 5-9	<a href="#">Piedmont Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. cumberlandense</b> Cumberland	Up to 10'	May	Orange to Red	Leaves out later than Flames, Zones 4-8, syn. R. bakeri	<a href="#">Cumberland Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. flammenum</b> Oconee	6-8'	April-May	Yellow to orange to red, non-fragrant	Zones 6-7	<a href="#">Missouri Botanical Gardens</a>
<b>R. periclymeniodes</b> Pinxterbloom	4-12'	Late to mid-season	Usually pale pink but can be white to deeper purple, slightly fragrant	Found all over eastern US	<a href="#">Pinxterbloom Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. prinophyllum</b> Roseshell, Early	4-8'	May to June	Mostly pink to dark pink, slightly fragrant	Cooler, upland ranges from Va. To New England: syn: R. roseum	<a href="#">Roseshell Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. prunifolium</b> Plumleaf	Up to 20'	Late July – August	Orange red to red, not fragrant	Great fall color, Zones 5-8	<a href="#">Plum Leaf Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. vaseyi</b> Pinkshell	5-10'	May	Pink, rarely white and not fragrant	Native to NC mountains, high altitude, not heat tolerant	<a href="#">Pinkshell Azalea: American Beauties</a>
<b>R. viscosum</b> Swamp	3-8'	Early Summer	Small, white, fragrant	Zones 4-9, sometimes called catch-fly or clammy azalea	<a href="#">Swamp Azalea: American Beauties</a>