

Drought-Tolerant Plant List

The following plant list is derived from *Landscape Plants for Western Regions: An Illustrated Guide to Plants for Water Conservation* by Bob Perry. This list is intended to be used for reference only. Please consult a landscape professional prior to plant selection. Listed plants do not indicate tolerance to hazardous environmental conditions including deer and other wildlife. This list is not intended as a substitute to professional plant selection. No guarantee for plant success is implied.

Suitable Planting for Zone 1 and 2- Fire Resistant Species

Note: Preferred Zone 2 Species are Native and Fire Resistant

Bold type indicates native species

* indicates fire resistant species

+ indicated good erosion control plants

plants that are compatible under and around oaks

<i>Trees - Deciduous</i>	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
	<i>Aesculus californica</i>	California Buckeye
	<i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	Silk Tree
	<i>Arbutus Menziesii</i>	Madrone
	<i>Arbutus unedo</i> *	Strawberry Tree
	<i>Cercis occidentalis</i> *	Western Redbud
	<i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i> *	Mountain Ironwood
	<i>Ficus carica</i>	Edible Fig
	<i>Fraxinus dipetala</i>	Foothill Ash
	<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	Maidenhair Tree
	<i>Koelreuteria Paniculata</i>	Goldenrain Tree
	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	American Sweet Gum
	<i>Pistacia chinensis</i> *	Chinese Pistache
	<i>Platanus acerifolia</i>	London Plane Tree
	<i>Quercus kelloggii</i>	California Black Oak
	<i>Quercus lobata</i>	Valley Oak
	<i>Sophora japonica</i>	Japanese Paga Tree
	<i>Umbellularia californica</i> #	California Laurel
<i>Trees - Evergreen</i>		
	<i>Brachychiton populneus</i>	Bottle Tree
	<i>Ceratonia siliqua</i> *	Carob Tree
	<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	Camphor Tree
	<i>Eriobotrya deflexa</i>	Bronze Loquat
	<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Loquat
	<i>Feijoa sellowiana</i> *	Pineapple Guava
	<i>Geijera parviflora</i>	Australian willow
	<i>Lithocarpus densiflorus</i>	Tanbark Oak
	<i>Lyonothamnus floribundus</i>	Catalina Ironwood
	<i>Melaleuca quinquinervia</i>	Cajeput Tree

Metrosideros excelsus
Nerium oleander (standard)
Prunus ilicifolia
Quercus agrifolia*
Olea europea
Rhus lancea* + #
Schinus terebinthifolius
Tristania conferta
Yucca brevifolia
Yucca whipplei

New Zealand Christmas Tree
Oleander
Hollyleaf Cherry
Coast Live Oak
Olive
African Sumac
Brazilian Pepper Tree
Brisbane Box
Joshua Tree
Our Lord's Candle

*Shrubs -- Large
5' Tall or Greater*

Abelia grandiflora
Arbutus unedo*
Archostaphylos species
Carpenteria californica
Ceanothus species + #
Cercis occidentalis*
Cotoneaster species* +
Dendromecon harfordii #
Fremontodendron species
Heteromeles arbutifolia* #
Lupinus spp. #
Mahonia aquifolium + #
Mahonia pinnata + #
Myrica Californica
Nerium oleander*
Penstemon cordifolius
Pittosporum species*
Prunus lyonii*
Rhamnus alaternus* + #
Rhamnus coulteri* + #
Rhus integrifolia* + #
Rhus ovata* + #
Romneya coulteri*
Salvia spp.* #
Sambucus callicarpa
Sambucus mexicana
Styrax officinalis californicus

Glossy Abelia
Strawberry Tree
Manzanita
Bush Anemone
Wild Lilac
Western Redbud
Cotoneaster
Island Bush Poppy
Flannel Bush
Toyon
Lupine
Oregon Grape
California Holly Grape
Pacific Wax Myrtle
Oleander

Mock Orange
Catalina Cherry
Italian Buckthorn
Coffee Berry
Lemonade Berry
Sugar Bush
Matilija Poppy
Sage
Coast Red Elderberry
Blue Elderberry
California Storax

*Shrubs - Medium
3'-5' Tall*

Archostaphylos species
Artemisia californica
Atriplex lentiformis breweri
Carpenteria californica
Cassia artemisioides
Ceanothus species + #

Manzanita
California Sagebrush
Brewer Saltbrush
Bush Anemone
Feathery Cassia
Ceanothus

Cistus hybridus +
Galvezia speciosa*
Garrya elliptica 'Eve'*
 Hypericum beanii +
Mimulus aurantiacus #
 Plumbago auriculata
 Pittosporum species*
Ribes viburnifolium* #
 Rhamphiolepis indica*
 Simmondsia chinensis
Trichostema lanatum
Yucca baccata

White Rockrose
Island Bush Snapdragon
Coast Silk Tassel
 Goldflower
Sticky Monkey Flower
 Cape Plumbago
 Mock Orange
Evergreen Currant
 Indian Hawthorne
 Jojoba
Woolly Blue Curls
Datil Yucca

*Shrubs - Low
1'-3' Tall*

Achillea millefolium*
Aloe brevifolia*
Archostaphylos hookeri
 Arctotheca calendula*
Baccharis pilularis*
Ceanothus griseus horizontalis #
Clematis ligusticifolia
 Convulvulus cneorum*
 Coprosma kirkii* +
 Coprosma pumila +
 Cotoneaster species* +
 Delosperma 'Alba'
Drosanthemum floribundum*
Erigeron glaucus*
Eschscholzia californica*
 Gazania rigens leucolaena*
Heuchera maxima*
Iris douglasiana* #
 Lampranthus spectabilis
 Lantana montevidensis +
 Myoporum parvifolium 'Prostratum'*
 Nerium Oleander `petite*`
 Punica granatum `nana*`
Ribes speciosum* #
 Santolina chamaecyparissus*
 Santolina virens*
Silene californica*
Sisyrinchium bellum*
Sisyrinchium californicum*
 Stachys byzantina*
Zauschneria californica

Common Yarrow
Aloe
Monterey Manzanita
 Cape Weed
Prostrate Coyote Brush
Carmel Creeper

 Bush Morning Glory
 Kirk's Coprosma
 Creeping Coprosma
 Cotoneaster
 White Trailing Ice Plant
 Rosea Ice Plant
Seaside Daisy
California Poppy
 Trailing Gazania
Island Alum Root
Pacific Coast Iris
 Trailing Ice Plant
 Trailing Lavender Lantana
 Trailing Myoporum
 Dwarf Oleander
 Dwarf Pomegranate
Fuchsia-Flowering Gooseberry
 Lavender Cotton
 Lavender Cotton
California Indian Pink
Blue-Eyed Grass
Yellow-Eyed Grass
 Lamb's Ears
California Fuchsia

Lawn Substitutes

Ajuga reptans	Carpet Bugle
Arctotheca calendula*	Cape Weed
Duchesnea indica*	Indian Mock Strawberry
Festuca ovina glauca #	Blue Fescue
Fragaria chiloensis*	Wild Strawberry
Gazania species*	Gazania
Hedera helix	English Ivy
Hypericum calycinum* +	Creeping St. Johns Wort
Mahonia ripens + #	Creeping Mahonia
Pelargonium peltatum*	Ivy Geranium
Potentilla species	Cinquefoil
Sedum spathulifolium*	Stone crop

Turf

Zoysia
Hybrid Bermuda
Tall Fescue "marathon or centennial"
St. Augustine's

Vines

Jasminum species*	Jasmine
Cissus rhombifolia +	Grape Ivy
Bougainvillea species	
Distictus buccinatoria	Blood-red Trumpet Vine
Tecomaria capensis*	Cape Honeysuckle
Wisteria species*	Wisteria

Accent Plants

Agapanthus*	Lily of the Nile
Azalea	Azalea
Cistus +	Rock Rose
Coreopsis*	Coreopsis
Dietes bicolor*	Fortnight Lily
Echium fastuosum +	Pride of Madiera
Hemerocallis hybrids*	Daylily
Jasminoides trachelospermum	Star Jasmine
Lavendula*	Lavender
Santolina*	Lavender Cotton
Tulbaghia violacea*	Society Garlic

Fire Protective Zone Planting

Zone 1 - Fire retardant planting and ornamental plantings.
(area around the home)

Zone 2 - Low Volume, slow burning and native transition planting.

(20' inside rear property line)

Zone 3 - Selective thinning of existing native vegetation.
(80' outside property line)

Flammable Plants to be Avoided

Acacia	Eucalyptus
Cedar	Juniper
Cypress	Fountain grass
Hopseed Bush	Pine
Japanese Honeysuckle	Palms
California Pepper Tree	