

# Lose Your Lawn, Gain a Garden Program

## Approved Plant List



Plants on the list below are approved for use in the Lose Your Lawn, Gain a Garden Program.

Not all the plants on this list are right for every garden, so please be sure to talk to your local nursery or use a reference guide, such as Sunset Western Garden Book, to find specific information about a plant's mature size, preferred sun exposure and other needs (like hardiness/climate zone, soil type and drainage needs).

**If your project includes plants not on the District Approved Plant List below, you will need to get them approved. Please send the names of any non-listed plants to the District by e-mail to [kknight@diablowater.gov](mailto:kknight@diablowater.gov) or mail to Diablo Water District, PO Box 127, Oakley, CA 94561 for approval before installation.**

*The District Approved Plant List is an administrative tool specifically for the Lose Your Lawn, Gain a Garden Program. The District does not endorse or require the use of any plant found on this list.*

### Trees

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
Acacia	All Species	Some species listed as invasive *
Agonis	All Species	
Albizia julibrissin	Silk Tree	
Arbutus	All Species	Some species native
Brachychiton populneus	Bottle Tree	
Brahea armata	Blue Hester Palm	Palm Tree - *Top Recommended
Brahea edulis	Guadalupe Palm	Palm Tree
Butia odorata	Pindo Palm	Palm Tree - *Top Recommended
Cassia leptophylla	Gold Medallion Tree	
Casuarina cunninghamiana	River She-Oak	
Celtis occidentalis	Common Hackberry	
Cercidium 'Desert Museum'	Desert Museum Palo Verde	
Cercidium floridum	Blue Palo Verde	Native
Cercis occidentalis	Western Redbud	Native - *Top Recommended
Chamaerops humilis	Mediterranean Fan Palm	Palm Tree - *Top Recommended
Chilopsis linearis	Desert Willow	Native
x Chitalpa tashkentensis		
Chorisia speciosa	Floss Silk Tree	
Eucalyptus erythrocorys	Red-Cap Gum	
Eucalyptus nicholii	Nichol's Willow-leafed Peppermint	
Eucalyptus torquata	Coral Gum	
Gleditsia tricanthos	Shademaster Locust	
Juniperus	All Species	
Lagerstroemia hybrids	Crape Myrtle	*Top Recommended
Lagerstroemia indica	Crape Myrtle	*Top Recommended
Lyonothamnus floribundus asplenifolius	Island Ironwood	Native
Melaleuca	All Species	
Melaleuca quinquenervia	Paperbark Tree, Cajeput Tree	
Melaleuca stypheliodes	Black Tea Tree	
Parkinsonia aculeata	Mexican Palo Verde, Jerusalem Thorn	Native
Pinus canariensis	Canary Island Pine	
Pinus coulteri	Coulter Pine, Bigcone Pine	Native
Pinus halepensis	Allepo Pine	
Pinus mugo	Mugho Pine	
Pinus pinea	Italian Stone Pine	

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<i>Pinus ponderosa</i>	Ponderosa Pine	Native
<i>Pinus sabiniana</i>	Foothill, Gray or Digger Pine	Native
<i>Pinus torreyana</i>	Torrey Pine	Native
<i>Pistacia chinensis</i>	Chinese Pistache	*Top Recommended
<i>Prunus caroliniana</i>	Carolina Laurel Cherry	
<i>Prunus ilicifolia</i>	Holly Leaf Cherry	Native - *Top Recommended
<i>Prunus ilicifolia lyonii</i>	Catalina Cherry	Native
<i>Punica granatum</i>	Pomegranate	
<i>Quercus agrifolia</i>	Coast Live Oak	Native - *Top Recommended
<i>Quercus douglasii</i>	Blue Oak	Native
<i>Quercus ilex</i>	Holly Oak	
<i>Quercus kelloggii</i>	California Black Oak	Native
<i>Quercus lobata</i>	Valley Oak, White Oak, Roble	Native - *Top Recommended
<i>Quercus suber</i>	Cork Oak	
<i>Quercus wislizenii</i>	Interior Live Oak	Native
<i>Rhus lancea</i>	African Sumac	
<i>Rhus lanceolata</i>	Flameleaf Sumac	
<i>Robinia ambigua</i>	Idaho Locust	
<i>Schinus molle</i>	California Pepper, Mission Pepper	Listed as invasive *
<i>Sophora japonica</i>	Japanese Pagoda Tree	
<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	Siberian Elm	
<i>Ziziphus jujuba</i>	Jujube, Chinese-Date	

### Shrubs

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
<i>Acacia</i>	All Species	
<i>Acacia baileyana</i> 'Purpurea'	Purple Leaf Baileyana	
<i>Acacia boormanii</i>	Snowy River Wattle	
<i>Acacia cultriformis</i>	Knife Acacia	
<i>Acacia longifolia</i>	Golden Wattle	
<i>Acacia redolens</i>	Spreading Acacia	
<i>Adenanthos</i>	All Species	
<i>Aesculus californica</i>	California Buckeye	Native
<i>Aloysia triphylla</i>	Lemon Verbena	
<i>Alyogyne huegelii</i>	Blue Hibiscus	
<i>Anisodonteia x hypomandarum</i>	Cape Mallow	
<i>Arbutus</i>	All Species	Some species native
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	Strawberry Tree, Strawberry Madrone	*Top Recommended
<i>Arctostaphylos</i>	All Species	Native
<i>Artemisia</i>	All Species	Some species native
<i>Aurinia saxatilis</i>	Basket of Gold	
<i>Baccharis pilularis</i>	Coyote Bush	Native
<i>Berberis thunbergii</i>	Japanese Barberry	*Top Recommended
<i>Bougainvillea</i>	All Species	
<i>Buddleia</i>	All Species	
<i>Buddleia davidii</i>	Butterfly Bush	*Top Recommended
<i>Caesalpinia gilliesii</i>	Yellow Bird of Paradise	
<i>Caesalpinia mexicana</i>	Mexican Bird of Paradise	
<i>Caesalpinia pulcherrima</i>	Red Bird of Paradise, Dwarf Poincia	

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Calliandra californica	Baja Fairy Duster	Native
Calliandra eriophylla	Fairy Duster	Native
Callistemon citrinus	Lemon Bottlebrush	
Callistemon viminalis	Bottlebrush (dwarf cultivars)	
Calycanthus occidentalis	Spice Bush	Native
Carpenteria californica	Bush Anemone	Native
Ceanothus	All Species	Native
Ceratonia siliqua	Carob Tree, Algarroba Bean, St. John	
Cercidium microphyllum	Foothills Palo Verde	Native
Cercis occidentalis	Western Redbud	Native - *Top Recommended
Cercocarpus ledifolius	Curl-leaf Mountain Mahogany	Native
Chaenomeles japonica	Japanese Flowering Quince	
Chamelaucium uncinatum	Geraldton Wax Flower	
Chilopsis linearis	Desert Willow	Native
Cistus	All Species	
Coprosma X kirkii	Creeping Mirror Plant	
Correa	All Species	
Cotinus coggygria	Smoke Tree	
Cotoneaster dammeri	Bearberry Cotoneaster	*Top Recommended
Crassula	All Species	
Cytisus	All Species	C. scoparius & striatus listed as inv.
Daphne odora	Winter Daphne	Shade only
Dendromecon	All Species	Native
Dendromecon rigida	Bush Poppy	Native
Diplacus	All Species	
Dodonaea sinuolata	Feathery hop bush	
Dodonaea viscosa	Hopseed Bush	
Echium fastuosum	Pride of Madeira	Listed as Invasive *
Elaeagnus pungens	Silverberry	
Encelia	All Species	Native
Encelia farinosa	Brittlebush, Desert Encelia	Native
Eriogonum	All Species	Native - *Top Recommended
Eriogonum crocatum	Conejo Buckwheat	Native
Eriogonum fasciculatum	California Buckwheat	Native
Eriogonum fasciculatum var. poliofolium	Flattop Buckwheat	Native
Eriogonum giganteum	St. Catherine's Lace	Native
Eriogonum umbellatum	Sulfur Flower	Native
Eriogonum wrightii	Wright Buckwheat	Native
Eucalyptus lehmannii	Bushy Yate	
Eucalyptus macrocarpa	Desert Malee	
Eucalyptus rhodantha	Eucalyptus	
Euonymus japonica	Euonymus	
Euryops pectinatus	Euryops	
Fallugia paradoxa	Apache Plume	Native
Feijoa sellowiana	Pineapple Guava, Feijoa	
Forsythia intermedia	Forsythia	
Fremontodendron	All Species	Native
Galvesia speciosa	Island Snapdragon, Catalina Is. Bus	Native
Garrya elliptica	Coast Silktassel	Native
Grevillea	All Species	

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Griselinia littoralis	Kupuka Tree	
Hakea suaveolens	Sweet Hakea	
Halimocistus wintonensis	Halimocistus	
Heteromeles arbutifolia	Toyon, Christmas Berry, Calif. Holly	Native
Holodiscus discolor	Cream Bush, Ocean Spray	Native
Juniperus	All Species	
Lagerstroemia indica	Crape Myrtle	*Top Recommended
Lantana	All Species	*Top Recommended
Laurus nobilis	Sweet Bay, Bay Leaf, Grecian Laurel	
Laurus noblis 'Saratoga'	Saratoga Sweet Bay	
Lavandula	All Species	
Lavatara	All Species	Some species native
Leonotis leonurus	Lion's Tail	
Leonotis menthifolia	Lion's Tail	
Leptospermum scoparium	All Species	
Leucadendron	All Species	
Leucophyllum	All Species	
Leucophyllum frutescens	Texas Ranger, Cenizo, Texas Sage	
Luma apiculata	Luma	
Lupinus albifrons	Silver Lupine	Native
Lupinus arboreus	Tree Lupine	Native
Lupinus variicolor	Many Color Lupine	Native
Lysiloma thornberi	Feather Bush	
Mahonia 'Golden Abundance'	Golden Abundance Mahonia	Native
Mahonia nevinii	Nevin Mahonia	Native
Mahonia pinnata	California Holly Grape	Native
Mahonia repens	Creeping Mahonia	Native
Malacothamnus fasciculatus	Chaparral Mallow	Native
Melaleuca decussata	Lilac Melaleuca	
Melaleuca elliptica	Honey Myrtle, Granite-Bottlebrush	
Melaleuca incana	Gray Honey Myrtle	
Melaleuca nesophila	Pink Melaleuca	
Melianthus major	Honey Bush	
Metrosideros excelsus 'Variegata'	Variegated New Zealand Xmas Tree	
Michelia figo	Banana Shrub	
Mimulus aurantiacus	Sticky Monkey Flower	Native
Mimulus clevelandii	Cleveland's Monkey Flower	Native
Mimulus grandiflorus	Slender Monkey Flower	Native
Mimulus longiflorus	Southern Monkey Flower	Native
Mimulus punicens	Red Monkey Flower	Native
Mimulus rutilus	Santa Susana Monkey Flower	Native
Myrica californica	Pacific Wax Myrtle	Native
Myrsine africana	African Boxwood	
Myrtus communis	Myrtle, True Myrtle	
Nandina domestica	Heavenly Bamboo	*Top Recommended
Nerium oleander	Oleander	
Nierembergia hippomanica violacea	Dwarf Cup Flower	
Phlomis fruticosa	Jerusalem Sage	
Phlomis lanata	Jerusalem Sage	
Physocarpus opulifolius 'Diabolo'	Diabolo Purple Ninebark	

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<i>Prunus caroliniana</i>	Carolina Laurel Cherry	
<i>Prunus ilicifolia</i>	Holly-Leaf or Islay Cherry	Native
<i>Prunus ilicifolia lyonii</i>	Catalina Cherry	Native
<i>Punica granatum</i>	Pomegranate	
<i>Pyracantha</i>	All Species	Some species listed as invasive *
<i>Rhamnus</i>	All Species	Some species native
<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i>	Italian Buckthorn	
<i>Rhamnus californica</i>	California Coffee Berry	Native
<i>Rhaphiolepis</i>	All Species	
<i>Rhus integrifolia</i>	Lemonade Berry	Native
<i>Rhus ovata</i>	Sugar Bush	Native
<i>Rhus typhina</i>	Staghorn Sumac	
<i>Ribes aureum</i>	Golden Currant	Native
<i>Ribes malvaceum</i>	Chaparral Currant	Native
<i>Ribes sanguineum</i>	Red Flowering Currant	Native
<i>Ribes sanguineum glutinosum</i>	Southern Pink Flowering Currant	Native
<i>Ribes speciosum</i>	Fuchsia-Flowering Gooseberry	Native
<i>Ribes viburnifolium</i>	Evergreen Currant	Native
<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	Rosemary	
<i>Salvia apiana</i>	White Sage	Native
<i>Salvia argentea</i>	Silver Sage	
<i>Salvia clevelandii</i>	Blue Sage	Native
<i>Salvia greggii</i>	Autumn Sage	
<i>Salvia leucantha</i>	Mexican Bush Sage	*Top Recommended
<i>Salvia leucophylla</i>	Purple Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
<i>Salvia mellifera</i>	Black Sage	Native
<i>Salvia microphylla</i>	Graham's Sage	
<i>Salvia munzii</i>	San Miguel Mountain Sage	Native
<i>Salvia nemorosa</i>	Dwarf Sage	
<i>Salvia pachyphylla</i>	Purple Sage	Native
<i>Salvia spathacea</i>	Hummingbird Sage, Pitcher Sage	Native
<i>Salvia 'Vicki Romo'</i>	White Sage	Native
<i>Salvia x jamensis</i>	Jame Sage	
<i>Sambucus</i>	All Species	Some species native
<i>Sarcococca</i>	All Species	Shade only
<i>Senna nemophila</i>	Green Cassia	
<i>Simmondsia chinensis</i>	Jojoba, Goat Nut	Native
<i>Sollya heterophylla</i>	Australian Bluebell Creeper	
<i>Sphaeralcea</i>	All Species	Some species native
<i>Syringa vulgaris</i>	Common Lilac	
<i>Tecoma alta</i>	Orange Bells	
<i>Tecoma stans</i>	Yellow Bells	
<i>Tecoma x smithii</i>		All hybrids using <i>T. stans</i>
<i>Teucrium fruticans</i>	Bush Germander	
<i>Trichostema lanatum</i>	Woolly Blue Curles	Native
<i>Vitex agnus-castus</i>	Chaste Tree	
<i>Westringia</i>	All Species	
<i>Westringia fruticosa</i>	Australian Rosemary	
<i>Xylosma congestum</i>	Shiny Xylosma	
<i>Yucca elata</i>	Soaptree Yucca	Native

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### Ground Covers

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
Arctostaphylos 'Pacific Mist'	Pacific Mist Manzanita	Native - *Top Recommended
Arctostaphylos edmundsii & cvs	Sur Manzanita	Native - *Top Recommended
Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Wayside'	Wayside Manzanita	Native - *Top Recommended
Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Buxifolia'	Buxifolia Manzanita	Native - *Top Recommended
Baccharis consanguinea 'Pozo Surf'	Lowly Coyote Brush	Native
Baccharis pilularis 'Pigeon Point'	Dwarf Coyote Brush	Native
Baccharis pilularis 'Santa Ana'	Santa Ana Dwarf Baccharis	Native
Cotoneaster dammeri 'Lowfast'	Bearberry cotoneaster	
Drosanthemum	All Species	
Gazania	All Species	G. linearis listed as invasive *
Grevilla lanigera	Woolly Grevillea	
Helianthemum	All Species	
Lantana montevidensis	Trailing Lantana	*Top Recommended
Lippia nodiflora (Phyla nodiflora)	Kurapia	
Myoporum parvifolium	Creeping Myoporum	
Osteospermum	African Daisy	
Pyracantha coccinea 'Lowboy'	Lowboy Firethorn	
Pyracantha hybrid 'Ruby Mound'	Ruby Mound Firethorn	
Rosmarinus officinalis 'Prostratus'	Prostrate Rosemary	*Top Recommended
Salvia sonomensis	Creeping Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Sarcococa hookerana humilis	Sweet Box	Shade only
Scaevola 'Mauve Clusters'	Fan Flower	
Sedum	All Species	Some species native
Sollya heterophylla	Australian bluebell creeper	
Zauschneria	Some Species	Native

### Vines

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
Bougainvillea	All Species	
Campsis	All Species	
Capparis spinosa	Caper bush	
Gelsemium sempervirens	Carolina Jessamine	*Top Recommended
Keckiella cordifolia	Climbing Penstemon	Native
Lonicera periclymenum	Flowering Woodbine	
Macfadyena unguis-cati	Cat's Claw Vine, Yellow Trumpet Vine	
Rosa banksiae	Lady Banks Rose	*Top Recommended
Rosa 'Cecile Brunner'	Cecile Brunner Rose (polyantha)	*Top Recommended
Rosa 'Don Juan'	Don Juan Climbing Rose	*Top Recommended
Rosa 'Golden Showers'	Climbing Rose	*Top Recommended
Rosa 'Royal Sunset'	Climbing Rose	*Top Recommended
Sollya heterophylla	Australian Bluebell Creeper	

### Perennials

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
Achillea	All Species	Some species native
Agastache aurantiaca	Orange Hummingbird Mint	
Agastache cana	Texas Hummingbird Mint	
Agastache rupestris	Licorice Mint	
Alyssum saxatile	Basket of Gold	

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Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
Anacyclus depressus	Mt. Atlas Daisy	
Anigozanthus	All Species	*Top Recommended
Anthemis tinctoria	Golden Marguerite	
Artemisia	All Species	Some species native
Asclepias californica	California Milkweed	Native
Asclepias cordifolia	Purple Milkweed	Native
Asclepias fascicularis	Narrow-leaf Milkweed	Native
Asclepias speciosa	Showy Milkweed	Native
Aspidistra elatior	Aspidistra, Cast-Iron Plant	
Baileya multiradiata	Desert Marigold	Native
Calylophus	All Species	
Centaurea cineraria	Dusty Miller	
Chasmanthe aethiopica	Cobra Lily	
Convolvulus cneorum	Bush Morning Glory	
Convolvulus sabaticus	Dwarf Morning Glory	
Coreopsis	All Species	Some species native
Deschampsia caespitosa	Tufted Hair Grass	Native
Dietes	All Species	
Diplacus	Monkey Flower	Native
Dymondia margaretae	Dymondia, Rock Ditty	
Epilobium	All Species	
Erigeron karvinskianus	Santa Barbara Daisy, Mexican Daisy	*Top Recommended
Eriogonum	All Species	Native
Eryngium planum	Blue Sea Holly	
Erysimum	All Species	Some species native
Erysimum 'Bowles Mauve'	Bowles Mauve Wallflower	
Euphorbia 'Black Bird'	Black Bird Cushion Spurge	
Euphorbia 'Blue Lagoon'	Euphorbia	*Top Recommended
Euphorbia characias	Dome Euphorbia	
Euphorbia myrsinites	Euphorbia	
Euphorbia polychroma	Cushion Spurge	
Euphorbia ridida	Euphorbia	
Euphorbia 'Rudolph'	Euphorbia	
Euphorbia 'Tasmanian Tiger'	Euphorbia	
Euphorbia x martinii	Euphorbia	
Euryops pectinatus	Euryops	
Gaillardia grandiflora	Blanket Flower	*Top Recommended
Gaura lindheimeri	Gaura	*Top Recommended
Helianthemum nummularium	Sun Rose	*Top Recommended
Helianthus maximilianii	New Mexico Sunflower	
Iris douglasiana	Douglas Iris	Native
Iris Pacific Coast Hybrids	Pacific Coast Irises	Native
Iris tall bearded	Tall Bearded Iris	
Kniphofia hybrids	Hybrid Torch Lily	
Kniphofia uvaria	Torch Lily	
Leonotis leonorus	Lion's Tail	
Lepechinia fragrans	Fragrant Pitcher Plants	Some shade to full shade only
Limonium perezii	Sea Lavender, Statice	
Lobelia laxiflora	Red Mexican Lobelia	
Lotus scoparius	Deerweed	

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Lychnis coronaria	Rose Campion, Crown-Pink	
Mimulus aurantiacus	Sticky Monkey Flower	Native
Mimulus bifidus	Sticky Monkey Flower	Native
Mimulus hybrids	Monkey Flower	Native
Mimulus puniceus	Red Monkey Flower	
Oenothera	All Species	
Oenothera berlandieri	Mexican Evening Primrose	
Oenothera berlandieri	Mexican Primrose	
Osteospermum	All Species	
Pelargonium x hortorum	Garden Geranium	
Penstemon centranthifolius	Scarlet-Bugler	Native - *Top Recommended
Penstemon eatonii	Firecracker Penstemon	Native - *Top Recommended
Penstemon heterophyllus	Foothill Penstemon	Native - *Top Recommended
Penstemon pseudospectabilis	Desert Beardtongue	Native - *Top Recommended
Penstemon 'Ruby King'	Ruby King	*Top Recommended
Penstemon spectabilis	Royal Beard Tongue	Native - *Top Recommended
Penstemon superbus	Red Rose Penstemon	*Top Recommended
Perovskia	All Species	
Romneya coulteri	Matilija Poppy	Native
Salvia 'Allen Chickering'	Allen Chickering Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia 'Bee's Bliss'	Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia 'Celestial Blue'	Purple Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia chamaedryoides	Blue Sage	*Top Recommended
Salvia clevelandii	Blue Sage	*Top Recommended
Salvia coccinea	Texas Sage	*Top Recommended
Salvia 'Dara's Choise'	Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia dorrii	Desert Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia Gracias	Creeping Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia leucantha	Mexican Bush Sage	*Top Recommended
Salvia nemorosa	Dwarf Sage	*Top Recommended
Salvia pachyphylla	Purple Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia 'Poza Blue'	Grey Musk Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia sonomensis	Sonoma Sage, Creeping Sage	Native - *Top Recommended
Salvia spathacea	Hummingbird/Pitcher Sage	*Top Recommended
Salvia sylvestris	Blue Mound Sage	*Top Recommended
Santolina	All Species	
Saponaria ocymoides	Rock Soapwort	
Senecio cineraria	Dusty Miller, Silver Groundsel	
Sisyrinchium bellum	Blue Eyed Grass	Native
Sisyrinchium californicum	Yellow Eyed Grass	Native
Stachys	All Species	Some species native
Tagetes lemmonii	Perennial Marigold, Copper Canyon D	
Teucrium chamaedrys	Trailing Germander	
Teucrium fruticans	Bush Germander	
Thymus praecox arcticus	Creeping Thyme	*Top Recommended
Thymus pseudolanuginosus	Woolly Thyme	*Top Recommended
Thymus serpyllum	Carpet Creeping Thyme	*Top Recommended
Tulbaghia	All Species	
Verbascum hybrids	Mullein	V. thapsus listed as invasive *
Verbena lilacina	Cedros Island Verbena	

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<i>Verbena peruviana</i>	Peruvian Verbena	
<i>Verbena pulchella gracilior</i>	Moss Verbena	
<b>Yucca</b>	<b>All Species</b>	Some species native - *Top Recommended
<i>Yucca recurvifolia</i>	Spineless Yucca	
<i>Yucca whipplei</i>	Our Lord's Candle	Native
<i>Zauschneria</i>	All Species	Native

### Bulbs

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
<i>Allium</i>	Ornamental Onion	Native & Mediterranean species
<i>Alstroemeria ligtu hybrids &amp; cvs.</i>	Peruvian Lily	
<i>Amarcium memoria-corsii</i>	Crinodonna	
<i>Amarygia hybrids</i>	Amarygia	
<b><i>Amaryllis belladonna</i></b>	<b>Belladonna Lily, Naked Lady</b>	<b>*Top Recommended</b>
<i>Bulbine frutescans</i>	Bulbine	
<i>Bulbinella floribunda</i>	Yellow cat tail	
<b><i>Gladiolus watsonius</i></b>	<b>South African Gladiolus</b>	<b>*Top Recommended</b>
<i>Homoglad hybrid</i>	Homogald Hybrid Gladiola	
<i>Ipheion uniflorum</i>	Spring Starflower	
<i>Ixia longituba</i>	African Corn Lily	
<b><i>Muscari macrocarpum</i></b>	<b>Grape Hyacinth</b>	<b>*Top Recommended</b>
<i>Narcissus</i>	Daffodil	
<b><i>Nerine</i></b>	<b>Spider Lily</b>	<b>*Top Recommended</b>
<i>Rhodophiala bifida</i>	Oxblood Lily	
<i>Scilla peruviana</i>	Peruvian Scilla	
<i>Sprekelia formosissima</i>	Aztec Lily	
<i>Urginea maritima</i>	Sea Squill	

### Cactus

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
<i>Cereus hildmannianus</i>	Hildmann Cactus	
<i>Cereus peruvianus</i>	Peruvian-Apple Cactus, Pitaya	
<i>Echinocactus grusonii</i>	Golden Barrel Cactus	
<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>	Indian Fig Prickly Pear	
<i>Opuntia macrocentra violacea</i>	Prickly Pear	
<i>Opuntia violacea santa-rita</i>	Blue-blade	

### Ferns

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
<i>Asparagus densiflorus 'Meyers'</i>	Meyer Asparagus	
<i>Asparagus densiflorus 'Sprengeri'</i>	Sprenger Asparagus	
<i>Asparagus setaceus</i>	Asparagus Fern, Climbing Asparagus	

### Grasses and Grass like Plants

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
<i>Achnatherum hymenoides</i>	Indian Rice Grass	
<i>Andropogon scoparius</i>	Little Bluestem	
<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>	Sideoats Grama	Native

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## Grasses and Grass like Plants (Continued)

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
<i>Bouteloua gracilis</i>	Mosquito Grass, Blue Grama Grass	Native - *Top Recommended
<i>Buchloe dactyloides</i>	Buffalo Grass	*Top Recommended
<i>Carex pansa</i>	California Meadow Sedge	Native - *Top Recommended
<i>Carex tumulicola</i>	Berkeley Sedge	
<i>Elymus</i>	All Species	Some species native
<i>Festuca californica</i>	California Fescue	Some species native - *Top Recommended
<i>Festuca glauca</i> 'Elija Blue'	Elija Blue Fescue	Some species native
<i>Festuca idahoensis</i>	Idaho Fescue	
<i>Festuca maireia</i>	Atlas Fescue	
<i>Festuca ovina glauca</i>	Blue Fescue	
<i>Helictotrichon sempervirens</i>	Blue Oat Grass	
<i>Leymus</i>	All Species	Some species native
<i>Libertia peregrinans</i>	Kiwi Libertia	
<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	Mat Rush	
<i>Lygeum sparteum</i>	Esparto Grass	
<i>Miscanthus transmorrisonensis</i>	Evergreen Eulalia	
<i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i>	Hairy Awn Muhly	
<i>Muhlenbergia dubia</i>	Pine Muhly	
<i>Muhlenbergia dumosa</i>	Bamboo Muhly	
<i>Muhlenbergia lindheimeri</i>	Lindheimer's Muhly	
<i>Muhlenbergia rigens</i>	Deer Grass	Native - *Top Recommended
<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	Switch Grass	
<i>Pennisetum alopecuroides</i>	Fountain Grass	*Top Recommended
<i>Pennisetum massaicum</i>	Bunny Tails	
<i>Pennisetum orientale</i>	Fountain Grass	
<i>Pennisetum x advena</i>	Red Fountain Grass	
<i>Sesleria autumnalis</i>	Autumn Moor Grass	
<i>Sisyrinchium bellum</i>	Blue-eyed Grass	
<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>	Indian Grass	
<i>Sporobolus airoides</i>	Alkali Dropseed	Native
<i>Stipa arundinacea</i>	Pheasant's-Tail Grass	
<i>Stipa gigantea</i>	Giant Feather Grass, Golden Oats	
<i>Stipa pulchra</i>	Needle Grass	Native

## Succulents

Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
<i>Aeonium</i>	All Species	
<i>Agave</i>	All Species	Some species native
<i>Aloe</i>	All Species	
<i>Aptenia cordifolia</i>	Hearts And Flowers	
<i>Bulbine</i>	All Species	
<i>Carpobrotus chilensis</i>	Western Ice Plant	
<i>Crassula</i>	All Species	
<i>Dasylyrion</i>	All Species	
<i>Delosperma</i>	All Species	
<i>Doryanthes palmeri</i>	Spear Lily	
<i>Drosanthemum hispidum</i>	Purple Ice Plant	
<i>Dudleya brittonii</i>	Dudleya	
<i>Dudleya caespitosa</i>	Coast Dudleya	Native

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Botanical Name	Common Name	Notes
Dudley pulverulenta	Chalk Liveforever	Native
Dudleya cymosa	Liveforever	Native
Dudleya lanceolata	Lance-leaf Dudleya	Native
Echeveria	Hens and Chicks	
Hesperaloe parviflora	Red Yucca	
Lampranthus	All Species	
Malephora lutea	Rocky Point Ice Plant	
x Mangave	All Cultivars	
Portulacaria afra	Elephant's Food, Elephant Bush	
Sedeveria	All Species	
Sedum	All Species	Some species native
Sempervivum	All Species	
Yucca	All Species	Some species native
Yucca recurvifolia	Spineless Yucca	
Yucca whipplei	Our Lord's Candle	Native

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<http://www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/landscape/>

\* This plant is listed as an invasive species in parts of California. For more info. visit Cal. Invasive Plant Council at [cal-ipc.org](http://cal-ipc.org) or Cal WeedMapper at [calweedmapper.cal-ipc.org](http://calweedmapper.cal-ipc.org) and Plant Right at [plantright.org](http://plantright.org)