

Low Water Use Plant List						
Scientific Name	Common Name	Approx. Height	Ave. Spread	Decidius/ Evergreen	Light Exposure	Water Use
Desert Accents and Succulents						
Agave lechuguilla	Lechugilla	12	60	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Agave Parryi	Parry's Agave	30	30	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Dasyliion Wheeleri	Sotol/Desert Spoon	60	48	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Echinocereus spp.	Hedgehog Cactus	24	36	Evergreen	Sun	Low
Fouquieria splendens	Ocotillo	96	60	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Nolina microcarpa	Beargrass	60	72	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Nolina texana	Beargrass	48	60	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Opuntia clavata	Club/Dagger-spine Cholla	4	36	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Opuntia imbricata	Walkingstick Cholla	96	72	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Opuntia leptocaulis	Desert Chirstmas Cholla	72	96	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Opuntia spp.	Prickly Pear Cactus	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Yucca baccata	Datil/ Banana Yucca	48	60	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Yucca brevifolia	Joshua Tree	120	120	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Yucca Elata	Soptree Yucca	180	60	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Yucca Faxoniana	Palm Yucca	180	72	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Yucca filamentosa	Adam's Needle Yucca	36	36	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low +
Yucca glauca	Soapweed	36	36	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Yucca Pendula	Soft leaf yucca	36	34	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +

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Flowers and Flowering Groundcovers						
Abronia sp.	Sand Verbena	24	24	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Achillea ageratifolia	Greek Yarrow	6	12	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Aethionema cordifolium	Persian Rockcress	6	12	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Alioneopsis spathulata	Hardy Living Stones	1	6	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Amsonia arenaria	Sand Stars	24	24	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Anacyclus depressus	Mat Daisy	6	12	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Antennaria rosea	Pussytoes	6	12	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Argemone squarrosa	Prickly Poppy	36	24	Deciduous	Sun/Shade	Low
Artemisia frigida	Fringed Sage	18	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Artemisia ludoviciana	Prarie Sage	18	30	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Asclepias tuberosa	Butterflyweed	30	30	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Berlandiera lyrata	Chocolate Flower	16	16	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Callirhio involucrata	Poppy Mallow/Winecups	24	24	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Calylophus species	Sundrops	18	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Centaurea cineraria	Dusty Miller	24	24	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Chasmatophyllum masculinum	Hardy Tiger Jaws	1	10	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Chrysopsis villosa	Golden Aster	18	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Cooperia drummondii	Rain Lily	10	10	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Datura meteloides	Sacred Datura	24	96	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Delosperma aberdeenese	Tufted Iceplant	1	8	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Delosperma cooperi	Purple Iceplant	6	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Delosperma nubigenum	Yellow Iceplant	3	18	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Delosperma sphaemanthoides	Tufted Iceplant	1	8	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Dyssodia acerosa	Wild Marigold	8	8	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Eriogonum umbellatum	Sulphur Flower	18	18	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Euphorbia amygdaloides	Rubra Euphorbia	36	36	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Euphorbia griffithii	Fire glow Euphorbia	30	24	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low

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Euphorbia myrsinites	Blue Spurge	12	24	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Euphorbia wulfenii	Wulfen's Spurge	36	36	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Euphorbia x martinii	Martini Spurge	24	36	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Hymenoxys acaulis	Angelita Daisy	12	12	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Hymenoxys argentea	Perky Sue	12	12	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Ipomoea leptophylla	Bush Morning Glory	36	36	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Kniphofia uvaria	Red Hot Poker	36	36	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Liatris punctata	Gayfeather	36	36	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Lupinus argenteus	Silverstem Lupine	24	24	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Melampodium leucanthum	Blackfoot Daisy	12	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Mirabilis multiflora	Giant Four O'clock	24	60	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Oenothera berlandieri	Mexican Evening Primrose	12	60	Semi-Ever	Full Sun	Low +
Oenothera caespitosa	White Evening Primrose	12	12	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Penstemon ambiguus	Bush Penstemon	24	24	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Penstemon angustifolius	Narrowleaf Penstemon	12	12	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Penstemon cardinalis	Cardinal Penstemon	30	30	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Penstemon clutei	Sunset Penstemon	24	24	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Penstemon jamesii	James Penstemon	10	10	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Penstemon palmeri	Palmer Penstemon	60	36	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Penstemon pinifolius	Pineleaf Penstemon	12	20	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Penstemon pseudospectabilis	Desert Beardtongue	36	36	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Penstemon secundifloris	Sidebells	12	8	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Petalostemon purpureum	Prarieclover	36	36	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Physalis lobata	Purple Groundcherry	6	6	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Psilostrophe tagetina	Paperflower	16	16	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Ratibida columnifera	Coneflower	32	32	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Ruschia hamata	Trailing Iceplant	5	18	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Ruschia pulvinaris	Shrubby Iceplant	3	2	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Salvia chamaedryoides	Chihuahuan Sage	12	18	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Sedum spectabile	Stonecrop	24	24	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low +
Sedum telephium	Autumn Joy Sedum	24	24	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low +
Senecio longiflora	Silver Groundsel	24	24	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Sphaeralcea coccinea	Scarlet Globemallow	20	20	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Talinum calycinum	Flame Flower	8	8	Deciduous	Sun/Shade	Low
Tanacetum densum-amani	Partridge Feather	12	12	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low +
Verbena bipinnatifida	Fern Verbena	12	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Verbena rigida	Sandpaper Verbena	8	48	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Verbena wrightii	Western Vervain	24	24	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Wyethia scabra	Desert Mule's Ear	24	36	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Zinnia acerosa	White Desert Zinnia	4	6	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Zinnia Grandiflora	Desert Zinnia	4	6	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +

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Grasses, Turf						
<i>Bouteloua gracilis</i>	Blue Grama	4-12.	n/a	Decidous	Full Sun	Low +

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Grasses, Ornamental						
<i>Hilaria jamesii</i>	Galleta	14	14	Decidous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Muhlenbergia lindheimerii</i>	Lindheimer Muhly	60	60	Decidous	Full Sun	Low +
<i>Oryzopsis hymenoides</i>	Indian Ricegrass	18	18	Decidous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i>	Sand Dropseed	24	24	Decidous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Stipa tenuisima</i>	Threadgrass	24	24	Decidous	Full Sun	Low +

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Ground Covers						
Anacyclus depressus	Mat Daisy	6	12	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Artemisia frigida	Fringed Sage	18	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Baccaris pilularis	Dwarf Coyotebush	18	36	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Chamaemelum nobilis	Chamomoile	6	12	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low +
Delosperma cooperi	Purple Iceplant	6	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Delosperma nubigenum	Yellow Iceplant	3	18	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Eriogonum umbellatum	Sulphur Flower	18	18	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Euphorbia rigida	Spurge	24	24	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Juniperus horizontalis	Jupiter, groundcover	12	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus sabina	Juniper, groundcover	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Marrubium rotundifolia	Roundleaf Horehound	8	18	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Melampodium leucanthum	Blackfoot Daisy	12	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Salvia chamaedryoides	Chihuahuan Sage	12	18	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Santolina chamaecyparissus	Green Lavender Cotton	24	60	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Santolina virens	Gray Lavender Cotton	24	48	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Sedum spp.	Stonecrop	24	24	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low +
Sedum spirium	Dragon's Blood Sedum	6	18	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Sedum spirium	Stonecrop	6	18	Deciduous	Sun/Shade	Low
Verbena peruviana	Verbena	9	18	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Zinnia grandiflora	Desert Zinnia	4	6	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low

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Shrubs, Deciduous						
<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Leadplant	2	3	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Anisacanthus thurberi</i>	Hummingbird Trumpet	4	4	Deciduous	Sun/Shade	Low +
<i>Buddleia marrubifolia</i>	Wooly Butterfly Bush	6	6	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
<i>Caesalpinia gilliesii</i>	Yellow Bird of Paradise	10	10	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Celtis pallida</i>	Desert Hackberry	8	8	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Chamaebatiaria millefolium</i>	Fernbush	5	5	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
<i>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</i>	Chamisa, Rabbitbrush	5	5	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Jasminum nudiflorum</i>	Winter Jasmine	4	12	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
<i>Parryella filifolia</i>	Dunebroom	3	3	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Psoralea scoparia</i>	Broom Dalea	3	3	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
<i>Punica</i> spp.	Pomegranate	8	8	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
<i>Rhus microphylla</i>	Littleleaf Sumac	8	9	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
<i>Rhus trilobata</i>	Three-leaf Sumac	6	6	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
<i>Rhus trilobata Prostrata</i>	Prostrate Sumac	2	6	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +

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Shrubs, Evergreen						
Artemisia cana	Silver Sage	3	5	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Artemisia filifolia	Sand Sage	4	4	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Artemisia X Powis Castle	Powis Castle Sage	2	5	Simi-Ever	Sun/Shade	Low +
Artemisia tridentata	Big Sage	4	4	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low
Atriplex canescens	Fourwing Saltbush	5	6	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Atriplex confertifolia	Shadescale	2	2	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Baccharis Centennial	Bacharris Centennial	2	5	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Baccharis salicina/sarothroides	Desert Broom	7	7	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Berberis haematocarpa	Algerita	6	10	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Cercocarpus ledifolius	Curl-leaf Mtn. Mahogany	10	6	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Chrysactinia mexicana	Damianita	2	2	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Cowania mexicana	Cliffrose	8	6	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Ephedra spp.	Mormon Tea	3	4	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Ericameria laricifolia	Turpentine Bush	3	4	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Eurotia lanata	Winterfat	3	3	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Fallugia paradoxa	Apache Plume	5	5	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Garrya wrightii	Wright's Silk Tassel	5	5	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Juniperus chinensis	Juniper, shrub varieties	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus sabina	Juniper, shrub varieties	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus squamata	Juniper, shrub varieties	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus virginiana	Juniper, shrub varieties	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Larrea tridentata	Creosote Bush	6	8	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Parthenium invanum	Mariola	2	3	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Purshia tridentata	Antelope Bitterbush	10	8	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Rhamnus californica	Coffeberry	5	5	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Rhus ovata	Sugarbush	10	10	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Rosmarinus officinalis cultivars	Upright Rosemary	6	6	Evergreen	Sun/Shade	Low +
Salvia dorrii	Desert Sage	2	3	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Santolina chamaecyparissus	Gray Lavender Cotton	2	5	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Santolina virens	Gray Lavender Cotton	2	4	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Sarcobatus vermiculatus	Greasewood	8	8	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low
Vauquelinia californica	Arizona Rosewood	12	8	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low

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Trees, Deciduous						
Chilopsis linearis	Desert Willow	20	25	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Leucaena retusa	Goldenball Leadtree	15	20	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Melia azedarach umbraculiformis	Texas Umbrella Tree	40	40	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low
Prosopis glandulosa	Honey Mesquite	20	25	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Prosopis Pubescens	Screbean Mesquite	20	20	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Sambucus mexicana	Mexican Elder	20	25	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Sapindus drummondii	Western Soapberry	30	30	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Zizyphus jujuba	Jujube or Chinese Date	25	25	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +

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Trees, Evergreen						
Cercocarpus ledifolius	Curl-leaf Mtn. Mahogany	10	6	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus chinensis	Juniper, tree varieties	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus deppeana	Alligator Juniper	60	40	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus monosperma	Oneseed Juniper	15	15	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus scopulorum	Juniper, Rocky Mtn.	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +
Juniperus virginiana	Juniper, tree varieties	varies	varies	Evergreen	Full Sun	Low +

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Vines						
Periploca graeca	Silkvine	climbing	40	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +
Polygonum aubertii	Silver Lacevine	climbing	40	Deciduous	Full Sun	Low +