

SCOTTS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

Drought Tolerant Plant List



If you would like to use a drought tolerant plant or low water using plant not on our list, please contact the Water Conservation Coordinator at (831) 438-2363.

Shrubs	
Botanical Name	Common Name
Arctostaphylos	Manzanita
Artemesia californica	California Sagebrush
Baccharis pilularis var. consanguinea	Coyote Brush
Carpenteria californica	Bush Anemone
Ceanothus centennial	Wild Lilac
Cercis occidentalis	Western Redbud
Cornus sericea	Dogwood, Red Twig or Creekside
Dendromecon harfordii	Island Bush Poppy
Eriogonum giganteum	St. Catherine's Lace
Forestiera pubescens	Desert Olive
Fremontodendron californicum	California Flannelbush
Heteromeles arbutifolia	Toyon
Juniperus californica	California Juniper
Juniperus communis	Common Juniper
Lonicera hispidula	Honeysuckle, Western
Mimulus aurantiacus	Sticky Monkeyflower
Mimulus longiflorus	Southern Bush Monkeyflower
Philadelphus lewisii	Goose Creek
Rhamnus californica	Coffeeferry
Ribes indecorum	Whiteflower Currant
Ribes sanguineum	White Icicle
Ribes viburnifolium	Catalina Currant
Rosa californica	California Wild Rose
Rubus ursinus	Blackberry, California
Salvia mellifera	Black Sage
Trichostema lanatum	Woolly Blue Curls

Ground Cover	
Botanical Name	Common Name
Thymus praecox	Purply carpet
Thymus pseudolanuginosis	Wooley Thyme
Gypsophila cerastoides	Alpine Baby's Breath

Grasses	
Botanical Name	Common Name
Agrostis hallii	Bent Grass
Arostida purpurea	Purple Three-awn
Bouteloua gracilis	Blue Grama
Carex pansa	California Meadow Sedge
Carex tumulicola	Sedge, Foothill
Deschampsia cepitosa	Tufted Hair Grass
Festuca californica	California Fescue
Festuca occidentalis	Western Fescue
Festuca rubra	Red Fescue
Fesuca idahoensis	Idaho Fescue
Koeleria macrantha	Prairie Junegrass
Muhlenbergia rigens	Deer Grass
Nassella pulchra	Purple Needle Grass

Perennial	
Botanical Name	Common Name
Achillea millefolium	Yarrow
Dudleya caespitosa	Sand Lettuce
Erigeron glaucus	Beach Aster
Erigeron karvinskianus	Santa Barbara Daisy
Fragaria chiloensis	Beach Strawberry
Hoita macrostachya	Leather Root
Iris douglasiana	Iris: Pacific Coast Hybrid
Juncus effusus	Rush, Common
Phormium	New Zealand Flax
Romneya coulteri	Matilija Poppy
Tagetes lemmoni	Mountain Marigold
Zauschneria californica	Epilobium

Trees	
Botanical Name	Common Name
Aesculus californica	Buckeye, California
Calocedrus decurrens	Incense Cedar
Corylus cornuta	Hazelnut
Pinus monophylla	Single-leaf Pinyon
Ptelea crenulata	California Hoptree
Quercus agrifolia	Oak, Coast Live
Quercus wislizeni	Oak, Interior Live
Sambucus mexicana	Elderberry, Blue

Pictures and descriptions can be found at www.h2ouse.org.