



Landscapes - More than Just the Great Outdoors

Did you know...?

- Landscaping adds an average of 14.8% to a home's value!
Homes with attractive landscaping sell quicker - by as much as five to six weeks.
- Plants control runoff and erosion. They also absorb water, returning it to aquifers.
Decreased runoff means less urban flooding.
- The very plants and trees damaged or destroyed by watering bans moderate the effects of harsh climatic conditions.
- As home improvements go, landscaping is an excellent investment.
- Recovery value at selling time can be 100-200%. Trees moderate urban "heat islands" created by extensive paved areas.
- Lawns cool homes, trap dust, absorb noise, and provide outdoor living areas for children and adults. Trees absorb as much as 85% of the sun's direct heat, and reduce power demand by as much as 59%.
- Temperatures around grassy areas about 25 degrees cooler than around dead grass or concrete.
- Landscaping enhances property values, which adds to the community's tax base.
- Lawns trap much of an estimated 12 million tons of dust and dirt released annually into the U.S. atmosphere.



Drought-Resistant Plants

Annuals (sun):

Ageratum	Lantana
Alyssum	Marigold
Amaranth	Melampodium
Angelonia	Mexican Sunflower
Annual Baby's Breath	Nasturtium
Celosia	Petunia
Cosmos	Phlox
Creeping Zinnia (Sanvitalia)	Portulaca
Dianthus	Salvia
Dusty Miller	Strawflower
Flowering Tobacco (Nicotiana)	Sunflowers
Gazania	Verbena
Geranium	Vinca
Gloriosa Daisy	Zinnia

Annuals (part shade):

Ageratum
Alyssum
Begonias
Annual Baby's Breath
Dianthus
Dusty Miller
Flowering Tobacco (Nicotiana)
Melampodium
Nasturtium
Phlox
Blue Salvia
Spider Flower (Cleome)
Verbena

Perennials (part shade):

Corydalis
Creeping Phlox
Daylilies
Dianthus
Epimedium (Barrenwort)
Ferns: Dryopteris, Osmunda, Pellaea, & Pteridium
Heuchera
Hosta
Lamium
Liriope
Pulmonaria
Purple Coneflower
Santolina
Verbena

Trees & Shrubs (sun):

Abelia	Red and Pin Oaks
Atlas Cedar	Rugosa and Shrub Roses
Barberry	Russian Olive
Bearberry	Scotch Broom
Bayberry	St. John's Wort
Beautybush	Smokebush
Blue Mist Shrub (Caryopteris)	Spirea
Burning Bush	Tree lilac
Butterfly Bush	Viburnum
Colorado Blue Spruce	Quince
Cotoneaster	Washington Hawthorn
Crabapple	Witch Hazel
Crape Myrtle	Yew
Ginkgo	Zelkova
Green Ash	Trees & Shrubs (part shade):
Goldenrain Tree	Abelia
Honeylocust	Barberry
Japanese Pagoda Tree (Sophora)	Bearberry
Juniper	Bayberry
Mock Orange	Kerria
Mugo Pine	Mock Orange
Nine-Bark	Privet
Potentilla	Stewartia
Privet	Viburnum
Pryacantha	Witch Hazel
	Yew

Perennials (sun):

Agastache	Lamb's Ears
Amsonia	Lavender
Artemisia	Liatris
Asclepias	Liriope
Aster	Miscanthus
Perennial Baby's Breath	Oregano
Baptisia	Penstemon
Black-Eyed Susans (Rudbeckia)	Physostegia
Boltonia	Prickly Pear Cactus
Campanula	Purple Coneflower
Catnip	Rock Cress
Coreopsis	Russian Sage
Creeping Phlox	Salvia
Daylilies	Santolina
Dianthus	Sea Holly
Echinops	Sedum
Euphorbia	Siberian Iris
Fountain Grass	Snow-In-Summer (Cerastium)
Festuca	Thyme
Gaillardia	Verbena
Gaura	Veronica
Goldenrod	Yarrow
Helenium	Yucca
Hen and Chicks	
Hibiscus	
Hollyhocks	