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Preferred Plant Guide

Since 1962 Watters Design & Garden Centers has been perfecting the best plant choices for the area and the best planting techniques in our difficult mountain clay soils. There are thousands of plants available in the market, but few will take our harsh winds, arid climate and erratic temperature. Our soil lacks organic matter, has little food available for the plants and our water is very high alkaline. These factors affect all but the hardiest of plant choices.

Here at Watters we have selected the best plant choices for the areas. Plants that make the list will have the following plant characteristics.

- ◆ Plants should be able to tolerate our winds.
- ◆ Be able to take an arid climate.
- ◆ Grow well in a clay soil.
- ◆ Produce flowers and fruit that will bloom later in the season. Reducing the risk of frost damage to flower buds.
- ◆ Tolerate alkaline water with minor corrections using fertilizer and soil sulfurs.
- ◆ Deep rooted for maximum toughness and lower water use as the plant matures.

The following list is our experience, expertise and preferences from years of development.

Showy in Fall

Ash Trees - Arizona, Modesto, Raywood
Aspen, Pin Oaks
Chinese Pistachio Tree
Flowering Pear - Bradford, Redspire
Maples Trees- Autumn Blaze, Silver, Red
Sunset, Amur
Oak Trees - Pin & Red
Barberry Bush
All Grasses
Burning Bush
Service Berry
Nandina Bush
Vines - Virginia Creeper, Boston Ivy
Barberries

Flowering Trees

Flowering Cherry Pure white flowers/ golden fall
Flowering Crabapple Pink/white/burgundy flowers
Flowering Pear White flowers/ Red fall
Flowering Plum Pink flowers/purple leaves/Drought
Golden Chain Tree Yellow flowers/Drought
Desert Willows and Smoke Trees
Mimosa Pink tassel flowers
Purple Robe Locust Blue/Purple
Redbud Pink/fuchsia flowers
Serviceberry White flowers/ Red fall

Flowering Shrubs 4'+

Butterfly Bush all colors
Flowering Quince red
Forsythia yellow
Lilac Purple & fragrant
Mock Orange White & fragrant
Roses Grandiflora, Climber & English
Rose of Sharon every color

Snow Ball Bush White
Bridal Wreath Spirea - flowing white
Magnolia
Rhododendrons
Spanish Brooms
Glossy Abelia
Yellow Bird of Paradise
Vitex or Chase Tree
Wigelia

Flowering Shrubs under 4'

Russian Sage Blue
Potentilla yellow/white
Salvia or Autumn Sage Red
Spirea - Little Princess, Goldflame, Magic Carpet
Bluemist Caryopteris
Dwarf Rhododendrons
Miniature Roses or Carpet Roses
Dwarf Mock Orange

Shade Trees

Ash - Arizona, Modesto, Raywood
Autumn Blaze
Maple
Bradford Pear
Cottonless Cottonwood or Poplar
Locusts
-Golden,
Honey, Purple
Robe, Shade
Master
Maples - Autumn Blaze, Silver, October
Glory
Mimosa



Elms
Sycamores - any
Willows - Globe, Weeping

Living Screens

Arborvitae 8'
Austrian Pine 40'
Cypress -Arizona 25-35', Leylandi 25-35'
Juniper - Pfitzer 6', Seagreen 6'
Junipers - All upright varieties 20'
Lombardi Poplar 40-50'
Red Cluster berry Cotoneaster 10'
Privet - Common 6' & Waxleaf 6'
Pyracantha 8-10'
Red Tip Photinia 8-10'
Spartan Juniper 10'
Silver Berry

Evergreen Shrub under 4'

Boxwood
Cotoneasters - Spreading
Euonymus - Emerald Gaiety, Green Mound, Moon Shadow
Junipers - Spreading
Dwarf Mahonia, Oregon Grape
Mugo Pine
Nandinas - Gulf Stream, Harbor Dwarf
Pyracantha - Low Boy
Dwarf Rhododendrons
Waxleaf Privet

Vines

Akebia
Boston Ivy
Clematis
Climbing Roses
Grapes
Honeysuckle
Ivy
Silverlace



Trumpet Vine
Virginia Creeper
Wisteria

Fruiting Plants

Apples
Apricot
Cherry
Peaches
Pears
Plums
Blackberry
Grapes
Gooseberry
Raspberry



Kiwi
Akebia
Current
Nanking Cherry
Western Sand Cherry

Shade Tolerant Plants

Abelia
Ajuga Pennywort
Boxwood
Dogwood
Euonymus
Ferns
Holly
Hosta
Ivy
Japanese Maple
Lamium - Bishops Weed
Nandina
Oregon Grape
Red Tip Photinia
Rhododendrons
Strawberries
Violets
Yews



Ground Covers

Ajuga - Pennywort
Blue Chip Juniper
Coral Beauty Cotoneaster
Creeping Thyme
Creeping Veronica
Ivy
Honeysuckle
Lamiums
Kinnickinnick
Mexican Primrose
Juniper - Spreading
Rosemary - Spreading
Periwinkle, Vinca
Sedums
Snow in Summer
Strawberries
Violets

Plants for Containers

Gulf Stream Nandina
Compact Oregon Grape - Mahonia
Magic Carpet Spirea
Wave Petunias
Barberry
Euonymous

Coral Bells
Ivy
Cherry - Autumn Sage
Herbs

Plants for Smell Good

Lilac
Roses
Silver Berry
Honey Suckles
Mock Orange
Butterfly Bush
Sages
Lavender
Akebia
Herbs



Evergreens that Bloom

Red Tip Photinia
Waxleaf Privet
Oregon Grape
Nandina
Silver berry
Rhododendrons
Azaleas
Holly
Yuccas
Spanish Broom
Halls Honeysuckle
Cotoneaster

Showy Trees

Golden Locust
Chitalpa
Purple Rose Locust
Golden Rain Tree
Catalpa
Variegated Box elder
Japanese Maple
Crabapples
Mimosa
Atlas Cedar
Flowering Pear
Aspen
Chinese Pistachio
Bristlecone Pine



Evergreen Trees

Spruce
Austrian Black Pine
White fir
Cedar
Blue Atlas Cedar
Dwarf Alberta Spruce
Bristle Cone Pine

Grasses for the Viewing

Karl Forester
Panic Grasses
Blue Fescue
Deer Grass

Pampas Grass
Maiden Grasses

Low Water Users Trees

Ash
Locust
Elm
Oak
Cypress
Cedar
Hackberry
Chinese Pistachio

Low Water Shrubs 4' +

Yucca
Desert Spoon
Spanish Broom
Lyland Cypress - Emerald Isle
Stag horn or Smooth Sumac
Deador Cedar
Cypress - Arizona & Leyland
Manzanita
Yellow Bird of Paradise

Low Water under 4'

Red/ Yellow Yucca - Hesperaloe
Banana Yucca
Parrys Agave
Russian Sage
Germander
Santa Rita Cactus
Manzanita - Kinniknik
Blue Fescue
Sedums
Lilac time Broom
Sumac - Growlow
Big Sage Bush
Deer Grass

Steep Banks & Erosion

Honeysuckle
Cotoneaster
Spreading Juniper
Lowboy Pyracantha
Grasses
Vinca



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