

Garden Talk High Country Top 10 Plant

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The list below are plants that have proven themselves over the years. Each will take Spring winds, Winter cold and perform well in our granite to clay soils. These are not the only plants found at the garden center, and some will only be available seasonally. As with any planting remember the 4-Rules of mountain planting: **Rule 1** - Dig the hole three times the width of the root ball. **Rule 2** - Mix 1/3 mulch to 2/3 native soil and throw out all rocks. **Rule 3** - Feed the first three months with fertilome 'All Purpose Plant Food 7-4-4'. **Rule 4** - Water completely with fertilome 'Root & Grow' at least 3 time the first growing season.

Top 10 Plants for Fall color

- 1. Ash Trees Arizona, Modesto, Raywood
- 2. Aspen Tree
- 3. Chinese Pistachio Tree
- 4. Flowering Pear Trees Bradford, Redspire
- 5. Maples Trees- Autumn Blaze, Silver, Red Sunset
- 6. Oak Trees Pin & Red
- 7. Barberry Bush
- 8. Burning Bush
- 9. Nandina Bush
- 10. Vines Virginia Creeper, Boston Ivy

Top 10 Flowering Trees

- 1. Flowering Cherry
- 2. Flowering Crabapple
- 3. Flowering Pear
- 4. Flowering Plum
- 5. Golden Chain Tree
- 6. Hawthorn
- 7. Mimosa
- 8. Purple Robe Locust
- 9. Redbud
- 10. Serviceberry

Top 10 Flowering Shrubs

- 1. Butterfly Bush
- 2. Flowering Quince
- 3. Forsythia
- 4. Lilac
- 5. Mock Orange
- 6. Potentilla
- 7. Roses
- 8. Rose of Sharon
- 9. Snow Ball Bush
- 10. Spirea Blue Mist, Bridal Wreath, Little Princes

Top 10 Shade Trees

- 1. Ash Arizona, Modesto, Patmore, Raywood
- 2. Autumn Blaze Maple
- 3. Bradford Pear
- 4. Cottonless Cottonwood
- 5. Locusts Golden Honey, Purple Robe
- 6. Maples
- 7. Locust
- 8. Silver Maple
- 9. Sycamores
- 10. Willows Globe, Weeping



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Top 10 Plants for Privacy

- 1. Arborvitae 8'
- 2. Austrian Pine 40'
- 3. Cypress Arizona 25-35', Leylandi 25-35'
- 4. Juniper Pfitzer 6', Seagreen 6'
- 5. Lombardi Poplar 40-50'
- 6. Parneyii Cotoneaster 6'
- 7. Privet Common 6' & Waxleaf 6'
- 8. Pyracantha 8-10'
- 9. Red Tip Photinia 8-10'
- 10. Spartan Juniper 10'

Top 10 Evergreen Shrubs

- 1. Boxwood
- 2. Cotoneasters
- 3. Euonymus
- 4. Junipers
- 5. Mugo Pine
- 6. Nandinas
- 7. Oregon Grape
- 8. Pyracantha
- 9. Red Tip Photinia
- 10. Waxleaf Privet

Top 10 Vines

- 1. Boston Ivy
- 2. Clematis
- 3. Climbing Roses
- 4. Grapes
- 5. Honeysuckle
- 6. Ivy
- 7. Silverlace
- 8. Trumpet Vine
- 9. Virginia Creeper
- 10. Wisteria

Top 10 Fruits

- 1. Apples
- 2. Apricot
- 3. Cherry
- 4. Peaches
- 5. Pears
- 6. Plums
- 7. Blackberry
- 8. Grapes
- 9. Gooseberry
- 10. Raspberry

Top 10 Shade Plants

- 1. Abelia
- 2. Boxwood
- 3. Dogwood
- 4. Euonymus
- 5. Holly
- 6. Japanese Maple
- 7. Nandina
- 8. Oregon Grape
- 9. Red Tip Photinia
- 10. Rhododendrons

Top 10 Ground Covers

- 1. Blue Chip Juniper
- 2. Coral Beauty Cotoneaster
- 3. Ivy
- 4. Honeysuckle
- 5. Kinnickinnick
- 6. Mexican Primrose
- 7. Icee Blue Juniper
- 8. Periwinkle, Vinca
- 9. Snow in Summer
- 10. Strawberries



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