

WATER WISE AND FIRE WISE PLANTS

Walter Andersen Nursery

Fire & Water-wise Plant List

Botanical Name	Species	Common Name	Native	Per	GC	Shrub	Tree	Grass	Vine	WATER NEED	FIREWISE	Comments
Acacia	various	Acacia				X	X			DT-L		sun
Acca	sellowianna	Pineapple Guava				X	X			L-M		sun
Achillea	all	Yarrow		X						L	X	sun
Adenanthos	drummondii	Woolybush				X				L-M		shade inland
Aesculus	californica	Horsechestnut					X			L-M		sun
Ajuga	reptans	Carpet Bugle			X					M		sun
Aloysia	triphylla	Lemon Verbena				X				L		sun
Alyogyne	huegelii	Blue Hisiscus				X				DT	X	sun
Andropogon	various	Blue Stem						X		L		sun/part shade
Anemone	hybrid	Japanese Anemone		X						M		sun
Anisodonteia	various	Cape Mallow				X				L-M		sun
Arbutus	various	Strawberry Tree				X	X			DT	X	sun
Arctostaphylos	various	Manzanita	X		X	X				DT	some	sun
Arctotis	acaulis	African Daisy		X	X					L		sun
Argyranthemum	frutescens	Argyranthemum		X						M		sun
Artemesia	californica	Coastal Sagebrush	X		X					L	X	sun
Artemesia	various	Wormwood/Dusty Miller		X		X				L-M	limited	sun
Asclepiasis	tuberosa	Butterfly Weed		X						M		sun
Aspidistra	elatior	Cast-iron Plant		X						M		shade
Astelia	various	Silver Spear		X						M		sun/part shade
Aster	various	Aster		X						L-M		sun/part sun
Asteriscus	various	Gold Coin/Canary Island Daisy		X	X					L-M		sun
Austrostipa	ramosissima							X		L-M		sun
Baccharis	pilularis	Dwarf Coyote Bush			X	X				L	X	sun
Banksia	speciosa	Showy Banksia				X				L		sun
Bauhinia	blakeana	Hong Kong Orchid					X			M		sun
Berberis	repens	Creeping Barberry				X				L		sun/light shade
Boronia	various	Boronia				X				L-M		sun
Bougainvillea		Bougainvillea				X			X	L	limited	sun
Bouteloua	various	various							X	L		sun
Buchloe *	dactyloides	Buffalo Grass						X		L		sun
Buddleja	various	Butterfly Bush				X				L-M		sun
Bulbine	frutescens	Bulbine						X		L		sun
Caesalpinia	mexicana	Mexican Bird of Paradise				X				L		sun
Calibanus	hookeri	Calibanus hookeri						X		DT		sun/light shade
Callistemon	viminalis	Bottlebrush				X				L-M	X	sun

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Calylophus	drummondii			X						M		sun
Camissonia	cheiranthifolia	Beach Evening Primrose		X	X					L-M	X	sun
Campanula	poscharskyana	Serbian Bellflower		X						M		sun
Capparis	spinosa	Caper Bush				X				L		sun
Carex	various	Sedge						X		L-M		sun/light shade
Carpenteria	californica	Bush Anemone	X			X				L		sun/light shade
Caryopteris	clandonensis	Bluebeard		X						M		sun
Cassia	leptophylla	Gold Medallion Tree					X			L		sun
Centaurea	gymnocarpa	Centaurea		X		X				DT		sun
Centranthus	ruber	Red Valerian		X						L-M	X	s/sh
Ceanothus	various	Wild Lilac	X		X	X				DT-L	X	sun
Ceratostigma	plumbaginoides	Plumbago			X					M		sun/part shade
Cercis	occidentalis	Western Redbud Tree					X			L-M	X	sun
Cercocarpus	betuloides	Mountain Mahogany					X			L		sun
Chamelaucium	uncinatum	Waxflower				X				DT-L		sun
Choisya	various	Mexican Orange				X				M		sun
Chondropetalum	various	Cape Rush						X		L		sun
Chorizema		Flame Pea				X				L-M		sun/light shade
Cistus	various	Rockrose				X				L	X	sun
Clerodendron	ugandense	Butterfly Bush				X				M		sun/part sun
Coleonema	various	Breath of Heaven				X				M		sun
Convolvulus	various	Morning Glory			X	X				M	some	sun/light shade
Cordyline	australis	Grass Palm					X			DT-L		sun/light shade
Coreopsis	grandiflora	Coreopsis		X						M	X	sun
Corokia	various	Corokia				X				L-M		sun/pt shade inland
Correra	various	Australian Fuchsia				X				L-M	limited	sun/pt shade inland
Cotinus	coggygria	Smoke Tree				X				L		sun/pt shade inland
Cotoneaster	various	Cotoneaster			X	X				L	X	sun/pt shade inland
Crocsmia	various	Crocsmia		X						L-M		sun
Cupressus	various	Cypress					X			DT-L		sun/part shade
Dendromecon	harfordii	Island Bush Poppy	X			X				DT	X	sun
Dianella	various	Flax Lily		X				X		M		sun
Diascia	various	Twinspur		X						M		sun/pt shade inland
Dichondra	argentea	Dichondra			X					L		sun/light shade
Diets	grandiflora	Fortnight Lily		X						M		sun/light shade
Dodonaea	various	Purple Hopseed Bush				X				L	limited	sun

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Dorycnium	hirsutum	Hairy Canaryflower				X				L-M		sun
Dymondia	margaretae	Dymondia			X					M		sun
Echinacea	purpurea	Coneflower		X						L-M		sun/light shade
Echium	fastuosum	Pride of Madera		X						M		part shade inland
Elymus	glaucus	Blue Wildrye						X		DT-L		sun
Encelia	californica	California Encelia	X			X				M	X	sun
Epilobium	canum	California/Catalina Fuchsia	X			X				DT	X	sun
Erigeron	karvinskianus	Sant Barbara Daisy			X					M		sun/light shade
Erigonium	various	Wild Buckwheat		X		X				L		sun/pt shade inland
Eriophyllum	nevinii	Wooly Sunflower				X				L	X	sun
Erysimum	various	Wallflower		X						M		sun
Erythrina	various	Coral Tree					X			DT-L	X	sun
Eschscholzia	californica	California Poppy		X						DT	X	sun
Eucalyptus	various	Eucalyptus					X			DT		sun
Euphorbia	various	Euphorbia		X		X	X			DT-L		sun
Felicia	fruticosa	Shrub Aster				X				M		sun
Festuca	various	Fescue						X		L-M	X	sun/pt shade inland
Fremontodendron	californica	Flannel Bush	X			X				DT	X	sun
Galvezia	speciosa	Island Snapdragon	X			X				DT	X	sun/part shade
Gaura	lindheimeri	Gaura		X						M		sun
Genista	lydia	Broom				X				L-M		sun
Geranium	various	Geranium		X	X					M	X	sun/light shade
Globularia	indubia	Globe Daisy				X				DT		sun
Grevillea	various	Grevillea			X	X	X			DT		sun/pt shade inland
Hamelia	patens	Firebush				X				DT		sun
Helianthemum	nummularium	Sunrose		X						L	X	sun
Helictotrichon	sempervirens	Blue Oat Grass						X		M		sun
Hemerocallis		Daylily		X						M	X	sun/light shade
Hesperaloe	various	Hesperaloe						X		DT-L	X	sun
Heteromeles	arbutifolia	Toyon	X			X				DT	X	sun/shade
Hunnemannia	fumariifolia	Mexican Tulip Poppy		X						L		sun
Hypericum	aegypticum	Dwarf St John's Wort				X				L-M		sun/light shade
Impatiens	sodenii	Poor Man's Rhododendron		X		X				M		sun/pt shade inland
Isocoma	menziesii	Coastal Goldenbush			X					M	X	sun/part shade
Isopogon	anethifolius	Drumsticks				X				L		sun/pt shade inland
Isopogon	formosus	Drumsticks				X				DT		sun

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Juncus	patens	Gray Rush						X		M	X	sun
Justicia	californica	Chuparosa				X				DT		sun
Kniphofia	various	Poker Plant		X						L	X	sun
Koeleria	macrantha	June Grass						X		L		sun/light shade
Lagunaria	patersonii	Primrose Tree					X			L	X	sun
Lantana	montevidensis	Lantana		X	X					DT	X	sun
Laurus	nobilis	Sweet Bay Laurel					X			DT		sun
Lavatera	various	Tree Mallow				X				M		sun
Lavendula	various	Lavender		X						L	X	sun
Leonitis	leonurus	Lion's Tail				X				L		sun
Leptospermum	various	Tea Tree				X	X			L	X	sun
Lessingia	filaginifolia	California Aster				X				M		s/sh
Leucodendron	various	Leucodendron				X	X			DT-L		sun
Leucophyllum	frutescens	Texas Ranger				X				L	X	sun
Leucospermum	various	Pincushion				X				DT-L		sun
Leymus	various	Wild Rye						X		L		sun
Lillium	humboldtii	Humboldt Lily						X		L		sun
Limonium	perezii	Sea Lavender/Statice		X						L	X	sun
Lithodora	diffusa	Lithodora		X						L		sun
Lobelia	laxiflora	Lobelia		X						L		sun/light shade
Lomandra	longifolia	Mat Rush						X		DT-L		sun/pt shade inland
Lonicera	hildebrandiana	Giant Burmese Honeysuckle							X	L	X	sun/light shade
Lophostemon	confertus	Brisbane Box					X			DT		sun
Lophostemon	floribundus	Catalina Ironwood					X			DT		sun
Lupinus	various	Lupine				X				L	X	sun
Malvaviscus	arboreus	Turk's Cap				X				M		sun
Mascagnia	macroptera	Butterfly Vine							X	DT		sun/light shade
Maytenus	boaria	Mayten Tree					X			L	X	sun
Melaleuca	various	Melaleuca				X	X			L		sun
Melianthus	major	Honey Bush				X				L		sun/light shade
Melica	imperfecta	Coast Range Melic						X		L		sun
Mimulus	various	Monkeyflower				X				L-M	X	s/psh
Miscanthus	various	Eulalia Grass						X		L		sun/part shade
Muhlenbergia	rigens	Deer Grass						X		DT		sun/part shade
Myoporum	various	Myoporum			X	X				DT-L	X	sun
Myrica	californica	Pacific Wax Myrtle	X			X				DT		sun/part sun

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Myrtus	communis	True Myrtle				X				DT		sun/light shade
Nandina	domestica	Heavenly Bamboo				X				L-M		sun
Nasella	pulcra	Foothill Needle Grass						X		M	X	sun
Nepeta	faassenii	Cat Mint		X						L-M		sun/part shade
Nerium	oleander	Oleander				X				DT	X	sun
Nolina	various	various						X		DT-L	X	sun
Oenothera	various	Primrose		X	X					L-M	X	sun
Olea	africana	African Olive(fruit)					X			DT		sun
Olea	europaea	Olive(fruit/fruitless)				X	X			DT-L		sun
Ornithostaphylos	poositifolia	Palo Blanco				X				DT-L		sun
Ozothamnus	rosmarinifolius	Rice Flower				X				M		sun
Panicum	virgatum	Switch Grass						X		DT-L		sun
Parkinsonia	aculeata	Mexican Palo Verde					X			DT		sun
Pavonia	praemorsa	Yellow Mallow				X				L		sun
Pelargonium	various	Geranium		X						M	X	sun/pt shade inland
Pennisetum	various	Fountain Grass						X		M		sun
Penstemon	various	Beard Tongue		X						M	X	s/sh
Perovskia	atriplicifolia	Russian Sage				X				M	X	sun
Phalaris	arundinacea	Variagated Ribbon Grass						X		L		sun
Philadelphus	lewisii	Mock Orange				X				L-M		sun
Phlomis	various	Jerusalem Sage				X				L-M		sun
Phormium	various	NewZealand Flax		X						L-M		s/psh
Photinia	fraseri	Photinia				X				M	X	sun
Phygelius	rectus	Cape Fuchsia				X				L-M		sun
Plectostachys	serpyllifolis	Plectostachys				X				L-M		s/psh
Plectranthus	various	Swedish Ivy		X						M		sun
Prunus	ilicifolia	Catalina Cherry	X			X	X			DT	X	sun/part sun
Quercus	various	Oak					X			DT-L	X	s/ps
Quillara	saponaria	Soapbark Tree					X			DT		sun
Rhamnus	californica	Coffeeberry	X			X				DT	X	sun/part sun
Raphiolepis	various	Indian Hawthorn				X	X			DT-L	X	sun/light shade
Rhodocoma	various	Rhodocoma						X		M		sun
Rhus	viburnifolium	Sumac	X			X				DT	X	sun/shade
Ribes	various	Currant	X			X				DT	X	sun
Robina	pseudoacacia	Golden Locust					X			DT		sun
Romneya	coulteri	Matilija Poppy	X	X						DT		sun/part sun

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Rosmarinus	officinalis	Rosemary		X	X	X				L	X	shade
Rubus	calycinoides	Bramble				X				M		sun
Rychelytrum	neriglume	Ruby Grass						X		M		sun
Salvia	various	Salvia		X		X				L-M	limited	sun
Salvia	clevelandii	Cleveland Sage	X			X				L		sun
Sambucus	various	Elderberry				X	X			M	X	sun/part shade
Santolina	various	Santolina		X		X				DT-L	X	sun/part sun
Saxifraga	stolonifera	Strawberry Begonia		X						M		shade/part shade
Scabiosa	various	Pinchusion Flower		X						M		sun/part sun
Scaevola		Scaevola		X						M		sun
Schinus	molle	California Pepper Tree					X			DT	X	sun
Sedum	various	Stonecrop		X	X					L-M		sun
Semiaquilegia	ecalcarata	Semiaquilegia		X						M		s/ps
Senecio		Senecio		X		X	X			L		sun
Sesleria	various	Moor Grass						X		L-M		sun
Sisyrinchium	bellum	Blue-eyed Grass		X						L-M		sun/part shade
Sonchus	canariensis	Tree Sonchus				X				DT		sun
Sporobolus	various	Dropseed						X		L		sun
Stachys	various	Stachys/Lamb's Ear		X						L-M	X	sun
Stipa	various	Feather Grass						X		L-M		sun
Symphoricarpos	mollis	Creeping Snowberry				X				M	X	sun/part sun
Tagetes	lemmonii	Mexican Marigold				X				L-M		sun
Tanacetum	haradjanii	Tansy		X						M		sun
Taxodium	mucronatum	Montezuma Cypress					X			DT		sun
Tecoma	stans	Yellow Bells				X				L	X	sun
Tecomaria	capensis	Cape Honeysuckle				X				L		sun/light shade
Teucrium	various	Germander		X						L-M	limited	sun
Thamnochortus	insignis	Thatching Reed						X		L		sun
Thomasia	solanacea	Solanum-like Thomasia				X				L		sun/part sun
Thymus	various				X	X				M	limited	sun/part sun
Trichostema	lanatum	Wooly Blue Curls	X			X				L	X	sun
Tulbaghia	various	Society Garlic		X						M		sun/part sun
Umbellularia	californica	California Bay Tree	X				X			L-M	X	sun/shade
Verbascum	undulatum	Wavy-leaved Mullein		X		X				L		sun
Verbena	various	Verbena		X		X				L-M	limited	sun
Vitis	californica	Roger's California Grape	X						X	L	X	sun/shade

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Westringia	various	Coast Rosemary				X				L-M	some	sun
Xylosma	congestum	Shiny Xylosma				X				L	X	sun/light shade
Zoysia*	hybrid De Anza	Zoysia De Anza						X		L		sun

LEGEND

WATER NEED:

DT = drought tolerant or once established normal rainfall or in some cases occasional watering the hottest weather is all that is required.

L = light or watering need; once established water every 3 -4 weeks depending upon severity of heat in the summer.

M = moderate water need; once established watering should be every two weeks depending upon severity of heat in the summer.

FIREWISE:

"Firewise" is the practice of using the plants so designated in landscapes to minimize fire hazard to structures, residents and neighbors.

These plants will decrease fuel between your home and the surrounding wildland.

They do not guarantee fire safety but define a defensible space around the home that assists in firefighting, assuming they are installed in the proper locations and are maintained.