



SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO

Water Conservancy District

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Water Wise Demonstration Garden

Recommended Native Plants for Southeastern Colorado

Large Trees

Scientific Name	Common Name	Family	Bloom Period	Bloom Color	Mature Height	Mature Width	Sun Needs	Water Needs
Acer glabrum	Rocky Mountain Maple	Sapindaceae	Spring, Summer	White	12-30 feet	10-20 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Acer negundo	Box Elder	Sapindaceae	Spring	White	30-50 feet	30-50 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Picea pungens	Blue Spruce	Pinaceae	Spring	Inconspicuous	30-60 feet	10-20 feet	Full Sun	Medium
Pinus edulis	Colorado Pinyon Pine	Pinaceae	Spring	Inconspicuous	10-30 feet	20-30 feet	Full Sun	Low
Pinus flexilis	Limber Pine	Pinaceae	Spring	Inconspicuous	40-60 feet	25-40 feet	Full Sun	Medium
Pinus ponderosa	Ponderosa Pine	Pinaceae	Spring	Inconspicuous	60-100 feet	25-30 feet	Full Sun	Medium
Populus angustifolia	Narrowleaf Cottonwood	Salicaceae	Spring, Summer	Inconspicuous, White	50-65 feet	35-45 feet	Full Sun	Medium
Populus fremontii	Fremont Cottonwood	Salicaceae	Spring	Inconspicuous, White	40-80 feet	30-50 feet	Full Sun	Medium
Populus tremuloides	Trembling Aspen	Salicaceae	Spring	Green, Inconspicuous, White	20-50 feet	10-30 feet	Full Sun	Medium

Shrubs and Small Trees

Scientific Name	Common Name	Family	Bloom Period	Bloom Color	Mature Height	Mature Width	Sun Needs	Water Needs
Actaea rubra	Red Baneberry	Ranunculaceae	Spring	White	1-2 feet	1 foot	Partial Shade	Medium
Amelanchier alnifolia	Saskatoon Serviceberry	Rosaceae	Spring	White	10-15 feet	10-15 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Amorpha fruticosa	False Indigo Bush	Fabaceae	Spring, Summer	Purple	4-12 feet	6-15 feet	Full Sun	Low
Artemisia tridentata	Big Sagebrush	Asteraceae	Spring, Summer	Inconspicuous, Yellow	3-15 feet	3-10 feet	Full Sun	Low
Atriplex canescens	Fourwing Saltbush	Amaranthaceae	Fall, Summer	Green, Yellow	3-6 feet	4-8 feet	Full Sun	Very Low
Brickellia grandiflora	Tasselflower Brickelbush	Asteraceae	Fall, Summer	Green, White, Yellow	1-3 feet	1-3 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Brickellia californica	California Brickelbush	Asteraceae	Fall, Summer	Green, White, Yellow	2-4 feet	3-6 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Ceanothus fendleri	Fendler's Ceanothus	Rhamnaceae	Spring	White	2-3 feet	2-3 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Cercocarpus montanus	Alderleaf Mountain Mahogany	Rosaceae	Spring, Summer	Green, Inconspicuous, Yellow	8-20 feet	4-8 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus	Yellow Rabbitbrush	Asteraceae	Fall, Summer	Yellow	1-3 feet	1-3 feet	Full Sun	Low
Dasiphora fruticosa	Shrubby Cinquefoil	Rosaceae	Summer	Yellow	2-4 feet	3-5 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Ericameria nauseosa	Rubber Rabbitbrush	Asteraceae	Fall	Yellow	4-7 feet	4-7 feet	Full Sun	Low
Fallugia paradoxa	Apache Plume	Rosaceae	Spring, Summer	White	4-6 feet	4-5 feet	Full Sun	Low
Frankenia jamesii	James' Frankenia	Frankeniaceae	Summer	White	1-2 feet	1-2 feet	Full Sun	Very Low
Holdiscus dumosus	Rock Spirea	Rosaceae	Summer	White	3-20 feet	5-10 feet	Full Shade, Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Jamesia americana	Fivepetal Cliffbush	Hydrangeaceae	Spring	Pink, White	3-6 feet	4-6 feet	Full Shade, Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Juniperus communis	Common Juniper	Cupressaceae	Spring	Inconspicuous	5-15 feet	3-12 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Juniperus monosperma	One-Seed Juniper	Cupressaceae	Spring	Inconspicuous	8-15 feet	6-10 feet	Full Sun	Low
Krascheninnikovia lanata	Winterfat	Chenopodiaceae	Fall	Green, Inconspicuous, White	1-3 feet	1-3 feet	Full Sun	Very Low
Lonicera involucrata	Twinberry Honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae	Spring, Summer	Red, Yellow	6-15 feet	6-10 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Physocarpus opulifolius	Common Ninebark	Rosaceae	Spring	Pink, White	8-10 feet	8-10 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Prunus americana	American Plum	Rosaceae	Spring	White	15-25 feet	15-25 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Prunus virginiana	Chokecherry	Rosaceae	Spring	White	25-30 feet	15-20 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Ptelea trifoliata	Common Hoptree	Rutaceae	Spring	Green, Inconspicuous, White	15-20 feet	15-20 feet	Full Shade, Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Quercus gambelii	Gambel Oak	Fagaceae	Spring, Summer	Green, Inconspicuous	10-25 feet	10-20 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Rhus glabra	Smooth Sumac	Anacardiaceae	Spring, Summer	Green, Yellow	9-15 feet	9-15 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Rhus trilobata	Threeleaf Sumac	Anacardiaceae	Spring, Summer	Yellow	3-8 feet	3-8 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Very Low
Ribes aureum	Golden Currant	Grossulariaceae	Spring	Yellow	6-8 feet	6-8 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Ribes cereum	Wax Currant	Grossulariaceae	Spring, Summer	Pink, White	3-5 feet	3-5 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Rosa woodsii	Woods Rose	Rosaceae	Spring	Pink	3-6 feet	3-6 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Rubus deliciosus	Boulder Raspberry	Rosaceae	Spring, Summer	White	3-5 feet	5-6 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Low
Rubus idaeus	Red Raspberry	Rosaceae	Summer	White	3-6 feet	3-4 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Rubus parviflorus	Thimbleberry	Rosaceae	Summer	White	3-8 feet	3-8 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Salix amygdaloides	Peachleaf Willow	Salicaceae	Spring	Green, Inconspicuous, Yellow	35-50 feet	25-35 feet	Full Shade, Full Sun, Partial Shade	High
Salix exigua	Narrowleaf Willow	Salicaceae	Spring	Green, Inconspicuous, Yellow	15-20 feet	15-20 feet	Full Sun	Medium
Sambucus racemosa	Red-Berried Elder	Adoxaceae	Spring, Summer	White	6-12 feet	6-15 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Sarcobatus vermiculatus	Greasewood	Chenopodiaceae	Spring, Summer	Yellow	3-8 feet	3-6 feet	Full Sun	Very Low
Shepherdia canadensis	Canada Buffaloberry	Elaeagnaceae	Spring	Green, Inconspicuous, Yellow	4-8 feet	4-8 feet	Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium
Symphoricarpos occidentalis	Western Snowberry	Caprifoliaceae	Spring, Summer	Pink, White	3-5 feet	3-5 feet	Full Shade, Full Sun, Partial Shade	Medium