

Water Wise Plants

Beat the heat with our Water Wise Plants - a must have for your summer garden!

These remarkable botanical wonders have adapted to survive in hot, dry conditions, making them perfect options for your garden during the summertime months. They add gorgeous colour, texture and height to your outdoor space, while simultaneously conserving water and being an eco-friendly choice.

Although these plants tolerate less water, the perennials, trees and shrubs will require one season of regular watering and maintenance to become well established. Explore some of our favourite Water Wise plant options below:

ANNUALS

Portulaca (*Portulacacaea spp*)
Salvia (*Salvia spp*)
Cleome (*Cleome spinosa*)
Gazania (*Gazania rigens*)
Sunflowers (*Helianthus annuus*)
Lantana (*Lantana camara*)
Dusty Miller (*Centaurea cineraria*)
Zinnia (*Zinnia elegans*)

PERENNIALS

Russian Sage (*Perovskia atriplicifolia*)
Yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*)
Thyme (*Thymus vulgaris*)
Sedum (*Sedum spp*)
Lavender (*Lavandula angustifolia*)
Rosemary (*Rosmarinus officinalis*)
Hens & Chicks (*Sempervivum tectorum*)
Euphorbia (*Euphorbia spp*)
Hellebore (*Helleborus x hybridus*)
Red Hot Poker (*Kniphofia uvaria*)
Coneflower (*Echinacea spp*)

TREES & SHRUBS

Butterfly Bush (*Buddleia spp*)*
California Lilac (*Ceanothus thrysiflorus 'Victoria'*)
Yucca (*Yucca filamentosa*)
Arbutus (*Arbutus spp*)
Barberry (*Berberis spp*)
Rock Rose (*Cistus spp*)
Potentilla (*Potentilla fruticosa*)
Sarcococca (*Sarcococca spp*)
Silverberry (*Elaeagnus spp*)
Heavenly Bamboo (*Nandina domestica*)
Rugosa Rose (*Rosa rugosa*)

TIP #1

Applying a layer of mulch to your garden beds can act as a protective barrier, shielding the soil from extreme temperatures and preventing moisture loss through evaporation. It also suppresses weed growth and adds visual appeal.

TIP #2

Trees and shrubs play a vital role in providing shade, structure, and visual interest to your garden. Incorporating drought-tolerant varieties ensures that your landscape remains eye-catching even during water-restricted periods.

*GARDENWORKS carries *Buddleia 'Miss Molly'* and *Buddleia 'Miss Ruby'*. Both these varieties display sterile flowers that do not produce seeds, so are not invasive.

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