Landscaping for the California Lifestyle

Are you ready to upgrade to an easycare and water-wise garden? Featured in this brochure are just a few examples of attractive plants, trees, and shrubs that also help conserve water. We hope you are inspired by the exhibit. Use this guide to get started on selecting plants that are natural picks for you and for California.

Select water-wise plants.

Year-round beauty in your yard is achieved by creating a balance between plants, trees, and shrubs. Many of them also live in harmony with California's naturally dry climate. Trees and shrubs provide necessary height and structure. Ornamental grasses and plants with colorful foliage provide vibrancy when flowering plants are not in bloom. Evergreens keep your garden looking fresh through every season.

Add landscape elements.

A grouping of boulders, a dry creek bed, meandering pathways and stepping stones add delightful focal points without requiring any water at all! Cover the area with permeable pavers so water can naturally filter into the ground below. Add some seating, relax or entertain, and relish your new California-style, low-maintenance space.





Leucadendron Leucadendron (all varieties)



Rock Rose Cistus (all varieties)



Grevillea Grevillea (all varieties)



Toyon Heteromeles arbutifolia



Texas Ranaer Leucophyllum frutescens



Smoke Tree Cotinus coggygria "Golden Spirit"



Chaste Tree Vitex agnus-castus



Dwarf Deodar Cedar Cedrus deodara "Feelin' Sunny"



Pomegranate Punica granatum



Western Redbud Cercis occidentalis

Find plants made for the shade.

If you have a yard with established trees, it's not difficult to find shade-loving, plants that need little watering to stay healthy underneath their canopies. Water infrequently, but deeply, to ensure your trees and these low-light plants thrive. Bring life and style to your shady yard by choosing some of the many plants like the ones you see below.



Winter Daphne Daphne odora (all varieties)



Coral Bells Heuchera (all varieties)



Columbine Aquilegia (all varieties)



Resources

For a step-by-step guide on how to transform your unused lawn areas to a water-wise landscape, visit the Creating Water-wise and Edible Gardens outside in the State Fair Farm, or visit this website:

www.water.ca.gov/turf/statefair

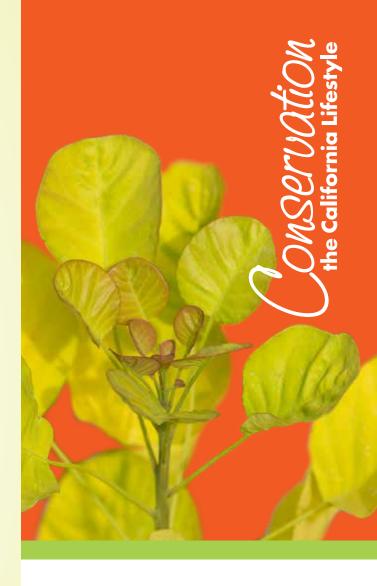
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