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APPROVED AND PROHIBITED PLANTS LIST

RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING THE LIST

The Declaration of the Covenants, Conditions and Restriction (CC&R) for High Desert provides the guidance for the Approve and Prohibited Plant List. Changes or additions to the list may be initiated by the New Construction Committee (NCC), the Modifications Committee (MC), the Landscape Committee, or by a resident's request. The Landscape Committee maintains the list and approves changes and additions. The NCC shall have the right to amend the Guidelines for Sustainability at any time, but such amendments shall not become effective until they are approved by the Board. The NCC is responsible for publishing the list since it is part of the Guidelines to Sustainability. While changes may be necessary, frequent changes make the list difficult to enforce. For that reason, some plants are listed with all species (spp.) designation which covers any plant in the genus (scientific name). This allows for new introductions of a plant to be automatically approved.

APPLICABILITY

- 1) In selecting plants for your landscaping be careful to check the scientific name of any species you are considering since common names often represent very different plants.
- 2) The lists of approved and prohibited plants apply to the common areas and any area visible from the street. Within the walled areas, other small non-invasive plants may be planted.
- 3) Check the village covenants, some communities there may be additional plant restrictions.
- 4) Within the walls of your lot, any landscape design which includes large trees or shrubs must be presented and approved by the Modifications Committee - for both you and your neighbors' sake.
- 5) Restricted trees: On 5/8/2018 NCC applied height restrictions on non-native trees over 26' and native trees over 40'. Residents with existing trees as of that date are grandfathered in.

PHILOSOPHY

Landscaping in the High Desert is designed to retain the natural look of the foothills, to be drought tolerant, and to help sustain native habitats for wildlife. Native wildlife uses native plants for nourishment. Native trees include the Oneseed Juniper, Pinon, Shrub Oaks, Box Elder, etc., so the plant list would be quite limited if only natives were approved. For this reason, many other adapted plants have been considered for use in the High Desert. Native plants are defined by USDA Plants Database¹.

USDA Plants Database https://plants.usda.gov

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The following criteria cited below was used to provide reasonable options for residents. Landscape guidelines can also be found in the *Guidelines for Sustainability* for Estate and Premier Villages, Builder Villages, and each gated Village. Please refer to the High Desert Living website for these documents. (<u>High Desert Living</u>) Guidelines for plants selection are listed.

CRITERIA USED FOR SELECTING PLANTS

It is each homeowner's responsibility to utilize this list to select plants and advise your Landscaper of this list for their designs. In selecting plants for your landscaping be careful to check the scientific name of any species you are considering, since common names often represent very different plants.

INCLUSION

- Desert adapted plants can be recognized by their water conserving features: small narrow leaves, needles or spines, gray/green color, waxy protective leaf coatings, fuzzy hair leaf coatings, or lack of leaves with just a green narrow stem.
- 2) The use of acid soil loving plants with large leaves is discouraged, since these plants neither represent the Southwestern Desert aesthetic nor are they drought tolerant.
- 3) Drought tolerant and climate adapted: Selected plants were adapted to the area with the highest success for living and creating the Southwestern regional look. Many non-native plants are ill adapted to our climate swings, our alkaline soil, wind, and intense sunlight.
- 4) Smaller mature size: The smaller plants require less water. They reduce the risk of spreading fire. Many support the wildlife.
- 5) Non-invasive: Most of these are native plants support the natural wildlife and other native plants. Generally, these plants do not damage walls and buildings.
- 6) Low pollen producing: Plants prohibited by the city for excessive pollen were also excluded.
- 7) Low pest/disease susceptibility: These plants mitigate the spread of disease and require low maintenance.
- 8) Firewise: Plants with Firewise characteristic are less likely to torch, thereby minimizing fire hazard to structures.

EXCLUSION

- 1) Large sized plants at maturity: Plants that obscure views were considered undesirable. Larger plants require more water.
- 2) Wider plants may outgrow the area where placed, and may require more water.
- 3) Drought susceptible plants are often non-native plants stressed by our local climate conditions.

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- 4) High pest/disease susceptibility: Susceptible plants are often non-native plants stressed by our local climate conditions. Why choose plants that look ugly or because of pests or diseases or require constant attention?
- 5) Invasive plants that rapidly spread over walls, buildings and natural areas (*e.g.*, cheatgrass, tumbleweed, ragweed, etc.)
- 6) Many non-native plants are ill adapted to our Southwest climate, alkaline soils, wind, lack of precipitation, and intense sunlight.
- 7) High pollen producing plants prohibited by the city are also excluded.
- Trees and Shrubs have special High Desert Covenants, Condition, and Restrictions (CC&R). The introduction to Trees and Shrubs lists many of these requirements. (<u>High Desert Living: Documents & Forms/Official</u> <u>Documents/Governing Documents</u>)
- 9) Trees and Shrubs: Please see their introductory sections.
- 10) Removal of invasive plants that spread quickly needs everyone participation to remove them. These include, Tree of Heaven, Needlegrass/Thread grass, Cheatgrass, Tumbleweed, Ragweed, etc.

FIRE CONSIDERATIONS

Fire considerations is only for information in choosing your landscape. "Firewise" is a trademark term and not a recommendation and used by States for communal landscaping. Please see references below. Fuel Load, Fire Intensity, Fire Propagation/Heat Combustion, and Ladder Fuel:

Fuel load is the quantity of plant material that can burn uninterrupted to sustain and spread the fire. Each plant contributes to a fire by their fuel load which effects the fire intensity and propagation.

Fire intensity is the amount of energy or heat given off when the plant burns. This is usually the amount of wood or dry plant parts. For example, if you look at a bush and imagine it as a bonfire that may give you an idea of the heat intensity, flames, and embers from the bush. Plants can be ignited by contact with a flame, burning embers, or high heat leading to combustion.

Heat combustion occurs when the sap/resins in the plant become so hot the oxygen pulls off two hydrogen molecules and fire ignite. In High Desert this has a low probability. In rare examples when pines or juniper plants are placed next to each other and transfer fire from one plant to the other the high heat can lead to combustion. This is why it is critical to not plant tree and shrub as windbreaks or privacy walls.

Fire propagation is the plant's ability to transfer its fire to a new fuel bed which heats the plant up to the point of ignition. Flames with high intensity and burning embers contribute to fire propagation. Plants with flammable chemicals which increase the fire intensity and may enable flaming embers to propagate fire to new areas. Sometimes the flammable chemicals become

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combustible gasses spitting out burning embers. Well-watered plants may reduce the plant's concentrations of flammable chemicals and may burn with reduced intensity.

Ladder fuel is vegetation that allows a fire to climb up from the ground into taller plants like trees. It is the biggest risk for trees catching fire.

Each plant section below uses these concepts to generalize some fire risks by these plants.

PLANTS THAT MITIGATE FIRE RISK

Inherent plant characteristics include those that can mitigate fire risk – choose plants:

- 1) High moisture content plants burn more slowly and less intensely. Herbaceous materials (soft stems) typically have a higher moisture content. Succulent plants contain more moisture. Both have a low ignition and fuel load mitigating fire intensity and burning ember propagation.
- 2) Low growing habit plants that are closer to the ground reduce the risk of spreading fire into tree canopies. They provide less fuel and shorter flames mitigating fire intensity and burning ember propagation.
- 3) Firewise plants lack or have minimal flammable chemicals that may turn into combustible gases, in their sap, roots, stems, leaves, flowers, fruits, and seeds.

All plants can and may burn, especially if they are water or drought stressed. However, generally speaking, wellwatered Firewise plants contain tissues with more moisture, less amounts of flammable chemicals (*e.g.*, resinous, oils, waxes), and produce less fuel volumes (*e.g.*, branches and leaves). If and when Firewise plants burn, their predicted fire behavior is less intense as compared to non-Firewise plants.

"Firewise Trademark" in the plant list: The plant list uses references which evaluated and defined Firewise plants. "Yes" means the plant can be found on one of the references. The table does not include the level of Firewise flammability risk.

"No" means the plant may ignite and burn easily.

"Unknown" means the plant was not on any of these lists.

SUMMARY OF MAINTENANCE PRACTICES TO MITIGATE FIRE ALL YEAR.

1) The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)² includes the Firewise literature³ with landscape designs and more fire mitigation tips. Below are suggestions to minimize the risk of residential fire propagation.

² Website is <u>NFPA</u>

³ Website is <u>NFPA - Firewise USA®</u>

- *a) Remove any fuel from first 5 feet surrounding home; this is called the "immediate zone." Rake up leaves, twigs, grasses, and other fuels across property especially immediately before fire season.*
- *b) Clear roofs and gutters of dead leaves, debris and pine needles that can catch embers and serve as an ignition point.*
- *c)* Never store flammable materials underneath decks or porches. Remove dead vegetation and debris from under decks and porches and between deck board joints.
- *d)* Reduce plant density and increase plant spacing. It is recommended to separate shrubs by at least 1 or 2-times their mature width. For example, if you have a 5-foot-wide shrub, the next shrub should occur at least 5-10 feet from the first shrub's edge.
- e) Eliminate ladder fuels (i.e., fuels that provide vertical continuity between fuels, thereby allowing the fire to carry from surface fuels into crowns of trees or shrubs with relative ease⁴). Remove lower tree branches 2-3 times the height of neighboring plants.
- f) Remove dead wood from trees and shrubs; remove twiggy growth.
- g) Thinning the number of plants so they don't ignite each other and reduce grass height.
- *h)* Irrigating regularly to keep plants hydrated and vigorous.

APPROVED PLANTS

TREES

Consider planting trees that can adjust to changing climate conditions. Climate-Ready Trees for Albuquerque use the "Climate Ready Trees - The Nature Conservancy (<u>NMFO Climate-Ready report (nature.org</u>). These will be noted as *ABQ City Recommends*. The section, *Recommends Trees for Small- Large Residential Places* are noted in the High Desert Tree list below. The High Desert Supplements require:

Planting Decisions and CC&R requirements

- 1) The height and width of trees in the tables are estimates. If they get more water, they may grow taller and wider.
- 2) Consider tree roots growing into your plumbing and foundations, sidewalk, and driveways.
- 3) Be a good neighbor and consider not planting a tree that might block your neighbor's view.
- 4) Trees at maturity must not be taller than the homes (26 feet max). Trees maturing over 30 feet are not allowed.
- 5) It is recommended that trees be no closer than **10 feet from** buildings, or near outdoor fireplaces, or chimney extrusions to mitigate fire risk
- 6) Tree canopies must be **10 feet apart** at maturity. Tree hedges with branches touching each other are not allowed. Hedges have very high fuel loads and may lead to fast-moving and high-intensity fires.

⁴ <u>ladder fuels meaning - Google Search</u>(July 13, 2021)

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- 7) Remove the burlap, chicken wire, etc. around the root ball before planting. This allows the roots to grow away from the trunk and support the tree.
- 8) If a tree is designated as "Grandfather" it may remain. However, if it dies it may not be replaced.

Maintenance Decisions and Covenants, Conditions and Restriction Requirements

- 1) Water trees at the canopy line to a depth of 10 inches and way from the trunk to prevent root rot. As the tree grows you need to continue moving the irrigation out to the canopy line.
- 2) Their roots search for water including under the homes, sidewalks, and driveways.
- 3) Prune limbs/branches touching or overhanging the roof to a distance of at least 10 feet. If possible, given the landscape trim branches 5 feet from a wall to mitigate flame fire risks.
- 4) Trim the grass around trees to a height of 4 inches. Trimming should be in a circular pattern with a diameter of twice the diameter of the plant.
- 5) Cut the branches of trees to a height of 16 inches from the ground to remove ladder fuels, creating a separation between low-level vegetation and tree branches to keep the fire from climbing into a tree canopy. Herbaceous or succulent plants may be planted under trees as long as the tree branches as long as their height is less than 8 inches.
- 6) Reduce the extreme fire danger posed by layer of dry conifer needles and/or leaves. Remove fallen needles, leaves, and pine cones from under and around these trees yearly. Preferably from November through February prior to peak fire season in the southwest. When trees catch fire with their large fire load, they can propagate fire by sending out large flames and burning embers.
- 7) Trees may be hard to ignite, but once they start burning, they have a high fire intensity that can use combustion to ignite surrounding materials and plants with their heat. Their embers can be carried in the wind to ignite a fire when they fall to the ground.

EVERGREEN TREES

Trees that do not shed leaves and stay green all year. All male junipers are prohibited by the City of Albuquerque.

Planting Instructions:

Plant and water according to instructions and remove root ball packing. Review how the particular roots grow to mitigate mature roots from lifting up sidewalk or driveway or getting into the house plumbing. Because many evergreens have volatile chemicals in their sap, the further apart they are planted from structures and other trees the better.

Maintenance Instructions:

Follow the tree's instruction for watering and continue adjusting the watering to the canopy line as the tree grows. Keep branches trimmed up at least 16-inches above the ground. Keep plants under the tree canopy under 8 inches. Remove needles

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and other debris from roofs and gutters. Remove fallen needles/leaves, as well as pine cones from under and around trees. Remove dead branches. Remove all shrubs that are within 1 shrub diameter from the tree canopy.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Many evergreen trees have resins, oils, and waxes that include flammable chemicals. These can easily be ignited and burn with high heat intensity. Their burning embers often propagate fires which can be carried by the winds to start spot fires. Dead branches in these trees enable flames to move up into the canopy. Shrubs touching the tree branches or trunk act as ladder fuels. Well-watered trees may reduce the concentrations of flammable chemicals and may burn with reduced the fire intensity. Burning embers carried by the winds often start spot fires.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height x Width (ft)	New Mexico Native	Firewise Trademark	Comments
ALL Male Junipers	Juniperus	Cupressaceae		Native	No	Prohibited by City of Albuquerque
Oneseed Juniper	Juniperus monosperma	Cupressaceae	15 x 15	Native	No	ABQ City Recommends
Rocky Mountain Juniper	Juniperus scopulorum	Cupressaceae	40 x 20	Native	No	
Eastern Red Cedar	Juniperus virginiana	Cupressaceae	4 x 8	Non-Native	No	ABQ City Recommends
Arizona White Oak	Quercus arizonica	Fagaceae	30 x 30	Native	Unknown	ABQ City Recommends (Need a moist environment)
Emory Oak	Quercus emoryi	Fagaceae	35 x 35	Native	Unknown	
Escarpment Live Oak	Quercus fusiformis	Fagaceae	30 x 30	Non-Native	Unknown	ABQ City Recommends
Shrub Live Oak	Quercus turbinella	Fagaceae	18 x 20	Native	Unknown	
Southern Live Oak	Quercus virginiana	Fagaceae	50 x 80	Non-Native	Unknown	ABQ City Recommends This can grow to 80 feet in Non -Desert conditions
Dwarf Weeping Blue Atlas Cedar	Cedrus atlantica	Pinaceae	10 x 20	Non-Native	No	ABQ City Recommends
Feelin' Sunny Deodar Cedar	Cedrus deodars "Monkinn"	Pinaceae	12 x 8	Non-Native	No	ABQ City Recommends
Electra Blue Deodar Cedar	Cedrus deodars "Electra"	Pinaceae	8 x 5	Non-Native	No	
Bristlecone Pine	Pinus aristata	Pinaceae	30 x 20	Native	No	(Needs higher altitude)
Pinon Pine	Pinus edulis	Pinaceae	30 x 20	Native	No	
Limber Pine	Pinus flexilis	Pinaceae	30 x 20	Native	No	(Not heat tolerant)
Southwestern White Pine	Pinus strobiformis	Pinaceae	30 x 20	Native	No	
Banshosho Japanese Black Pine	Pinus thunbergia "Banshosho"	Pinaceae	3 x 5	Non-Native	No	

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Mugo Pine	Pinus mugo	Pinaceae	4 x 5	Non-Native	No	
Hairy Mtn. Mahogany	Cercocarpus breviflorus	Rosaceae	15 x 15	Native	Yes	
Littleleaf Mtn. Mahogany	Cercocarpus intricatus	Rosaceae	5 x 4	Native	Yes	
Curl Leaf Mtn. Mahogany	Cercocarpus ledifolius	Rosaceae	15 x 15	Non- Native	Yes	

PROHIBITED TREES: The trees below are Grandfathered (Trees previously allowed or naturally growing). Trees too tall for the neighborhood but might be allowed in open spaces/arroyos. These include trees recommended by the city.

Alligator Juniper	Juniperus deppeana	Cupressaceae	65 x 7	Native	No	Grandfather: Too Tall ABQ City Recommends
Gray Oak	Quercus grisea	Fagaceae	25 x 40	Native	Unknown	Grandfather: Too tall
Oregon Green Dwarf Austrian Pine	Pinus nigra "Oregon Green"	Pinaceae	20 x 10	Non-Native	No	Grandfather: Needs medium water & other pines do better
Scotch Pine	Pinus Sylvestris	Pinaceae	45 x 25	Non-Native	No	(Grandfather: Too tall)
Austrian Pine	Pinus nigra	Pinaceae	35 x 25	Non-Native	No	(Grandfather: Too tall)
Ponderosa Pine	Pinus ponderosa	Pinaceae	60 x 30	Native	No	Albuquerque Prohibited Plants: Grandfather: Too tall and prefers higher altitude

DECIDUOUS TREES

Trees that shred leaves seasonally. The table's height and width ranges are estimates, water tends to increase the values.

Planting Instructions:

Plant and water according to instructions and remove root ball packing. Review how the particular tree roots grow to mitigate mature roots from lifting up sidewalk or driveway or getting into the house plumbing.

Maintenance Instructions:

Follow the tree's instruction for watering and continue adjusting the watering to the canopy line as the tree grows. Keep branches trimmed up at least 16-inches above the ground. Keep plants under the tree canopy under 8 inches. Remove leaves and other debris from roofs and gutters. Remove fallen leaves from under and around trees. Remove dead branches. Remove all shrubs that are within 1 shrub diameter from the tree canopy.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Fire intensity and propagation may depend on specific tree selection. Well-watered plants may reduce the concentrations of flammable chemicals and may burn with reduced intensity. Deciduous trees tend to be more fire resistant than evergreen trees because their leaves have higher moisture content, and they have fewer flammable chemicals. Ladder fuel is the biggest risk for these trees catching fire. Dead branches in the trees enable flames to propagate and consume the entire canopy.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height x Width (ft)	New Mexico Native	Firewise (Trademark)	Comments
Mexican Elder	Sambucus nigra	Adoxaceae	20 x 25	Native	Yes	
Smoke Tree	Cotinus coggygria	Anacardiaceae	10 x 15	Non-Native	Yes	
American Smoke Tree	Cotinus obovatus	Anacardiaceae	20-30	Non-Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
Prairie Flameleaf Sumac	Rhus lanceolata	Anacardiaceae	25 x 20	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
Water Birch	Betula occidentalis	Betulaceae	25 x 25	Native	Yes	moist environment
Desert Willow	Chilopsis linearis	Bignoniaceae	20 x 25	Native	Unknown	ABQ City Recommends
Chitalpa	Chiltalpa taskentensis	Bignoniaceae	20 x 20	Non-Native	Unknown	(Has root rot disease)
Netleaf Hackberry	Celtis laevigata / reticulata	Cannabaceae	25 x 25	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
Mexican Redbud	Cercis mexicana	Fabaceae	20 x 12	Native	Unknown	ABQ City Recommends
Western Redbud	Cercis occidentalis	Fabaceae	20 x 20	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
Golden Ball Lead Tree	Leucaena retusa	Fabaceae	15 x 15	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
Texas Honey Mesquite	Prosopis glandulosa	Fabaceae	25 x 30	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends (Not cold Tolerant)
Western Honey Mesquite	Prosopsis glandular var. torrevana	Fabaceae	18 x 20	Native	Yes	(Not cold Tolerant)
Screwbean Mesquite	Prosopsis pubescens	Fabaceae	20 x 20	Native	Unknown	(Not cold Tolerant)
Velvet Mesquite	Prosopsis velutina	Fabaceae	20 x 25	Native	Unknown	ABQ City Recommends (Not Cold Tolerant)
New Mexico Locust	Robinia neomexicana	Fabaceae	25 x 15	Native	Yes	
Texas Mountain Laurel	Sophora secundiflora	Fabaceae	15 x 15	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
Chinese Scholar or Japanese pagoda	Styphnolobium japonicum	Fabaceae	25 x 25	Non-Native	Unknown	
Gambel Oak	Quercus gambelii	Fagaceae	25 x 25	Native	Yes	
Chisos Red Oak	Quercus gravesii	Fagaceae	25 x 25	Non-Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends (Simi- evergreen)
Little Walnut	Juglans microcarpa	Juglandaceae	20 x 20	Native	Yes	
Osage Orange (White Shield Only)	Maclura pomifera "White Shield"	Moraceae	25 x 25	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
New Mexico Olive / Privet	Forestiera neomexicana (pubescens)	Oleaceae	15 x 15	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
Fragrant Ash	Fraxinus cuspidata	Oleaceae	20 x 20	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends

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Japanese Lilac Tree	Syringa reticulata	Oleaceae	20 x 20	Non-Native	Yes	
Chaste Tree	Vitex agnus-castus	Plantae	20 x 20	Non-Native	Yes	
Serviceberry	Amelanchier arborea	Rosaceae	6 x 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Utah Serviceberry	Amelanchier utahensis	Rosaceae	8 x 8	Native	Yes	
Mountain Mahogany	Cercocarpus montanus	Rosaceae	10 x 8	Native	Yes	
Hawthorne Russian	Crataegus ambigua	Rosaceae	25 x 25	Non-Native	Yes	
Hawthorne Western	Crataegus succulenta	Rosaceae	20 x 15	Native	Yes	
Hawthorne Species	Crataegus spp	Rosaceae	25 x 25	Non-Native	Yes	
Royal Raindrops	Malus transitoria	Rosaceae	20 x 15	Non-Native	Yes	
(Crabapple)						
Chokecherry	Prunus virginiana	Rosaceae	20 x 20	Native	Yes	
Nanking Cherry	Prunus tomentosa	Rosaceae	6' x 6'	Non-Native	Yes	
Arizona Rosewood	Vauquelinia california	Rosaceae	15 x 10	Native	Yes	
Hop Tree	Ptelea trifoliata	Rutaceae	20 x 20	Native	Yes	
Bigtooth Maple	Acer grandidentatum	Sapindaceae	25 x 25	Native	Yes	('Mesa Glow' good
						choice)
Hot Wings Maple	Acer tataricum	Sapindaceae	20 x 17	Non-Native	Yes	
Rocky Mountain	Acer glabrum var. diffusum	Sapindaceae	25 x 25	Native	Unknown	
Maple						
PROHIBITED	REES: The trees below an	e Grandfathered	(Trees pre	viously allowe	d or naturally g	rowing). Trees too tall
	od but might be allowed i					
Western Soapberry	Sapindus soponaria var.	Sapindaceae	25 x 30	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
	drummondii	···· 1				
Frontier Elm	Ulmus x Frontier'	Ulmaceae	25 x 15	Native	Yes	ABQ City Recommends
Box Elder	Acer negundo "Sensation"	Sapindaceae	40 x 30	Native	Yes	Grandfather: Too Tall
"Sensation"		1				
Chinese Pistache	Pistacia chinensis	Anacardiaceae	40 x 35	Non-Native	Yes	Grandfather: Too tall and
						needs medium water
						ABQ City Recommends
Hackberry	Cektus occidentalis	Cannabaceae	40 x 40	Native	Yes	Grandfather: Too tall
Texas/ Oklahoma	Cercis canadensis L. var.	Fabaceae	30 x 20	Native	Yes	Grandfather Too tall.
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Redbud

Eastern Redbud

Texas Red Oak

Idaho Locust

texensis

Cercis canadensis

Quercus buckleyi

Robinia ambigua

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25 x 25

40 x 40

40 x 25

Native

Non-Native

Non-Native

Yes

Unknown

Yes

Fabaceae

Fabaceae

Fabaceae

ABQ City Recommends

Grandfather: High-water use; replaced by other redbuds that do better in

Grandfather: Too Tall

Grandfather: Too tall &

this area

poor structure

Robinia pseudoacacia Purple Robe / Fabaceae 40 x 25 Native Yes Grandfather: Too tall Black Locust (Poor structure) Native Grandfather: Too tall Wavyleaf Oak 50 x 40 Unknown Fagaceae Ouercus undulata Simi- evergreen Arizona Walnut Juglans major Juglandaceae 48 x 36 Native Yes Grandfather: Too tall and high-water use Grandfather: Too Tall Velvet Ash Fraxinus velutina Oleaceae 40 x 35 Native Yes Raywood Ash Fraxinus angustifolia Oleaceae 40 x 20 Non-Native Yes Grandfather: Too tall "Raywood" Eastern/Broadleaf Grandfather: Prohibited Cottonwood 100 x 70 Populus deltoides Salicaceae Native Yes by City of Albuquerque Eastern/Broadleaf Grandfather: Prohibited Cottonwood Populus deltoides Salicaceae 100 x 70 Native Yes by City of Albuquerque Rio Grande Populus deltoides var. Salicaceae 100 x 70 Native Yes Grandfather: Prohibited Cottonwood/ Vallev wislizeni by City of Albuquerque Cottonwood Populus tremuloides 50 x 30 No Grandfather: Too Tall and Quaking Aspen Salicaceae Native not good at our altitude, Roots get under foundations Lacebark Elm 50 x 45 Grandfather: Too tall and Ulmus parvifolia Ulmaceae Non-Native Yes prohibited by City of Albuquerque Emerald Sunshine Ulmus propingua CHINA Ulmaceae 35-25 Native Yes Grandfather: Too tall. Elm Prohibited by City of Albuquerque Narrow Leaf Populus angustifolia Salicaceae 50 x 35 Native Yes Grandfather: Too tall, Prohibited by City of Cottonwood Albuquerque Ailanthus altissima Grandfather: Invasive Tree of Heaven Simaroubaceae 60 x 35 introduced Yes Mulberry Morus alba Moraceae 40 x 40 Yes Grandfather: Too tall. Native Prohibited by City of Albuquerque Salicaceae 40 x 60 Native Yes Grandfather: Poor quality Lombardy Poplar Populus nigra tree Grandfather: Invasive European olive Olea europaea L. ssp. Oleaceae 30 x 30 Non Native Yes Europaea Russian Olive Elaeagnus angustifolia Oleaceae 20 x 20 introduced Yes Grandfather: Invasive

Siberian Elm	Ulmus pumila	Ulmaceae	50 x 40	introduced	Yes	Grandfather: Too tall,
						Prohibited by City of
						Albuquerque
Cypress	Cupressus spp	Cupressaceae	40 x 15	Non Native	No	Grandfather: Too tall,
						Prohibited by City of
						Albuquerque
False Cypress	Chamaecyparis spp.	Cupressaceae	50 x 20	Non Native	No	Grandfather: Too tall,
						Prohibited by City of
						Albuquerque
Salt Cedar	Tamarix spp.	Tamaricaceae	59 x 10	Non-Native	No	Grandfather: Invasive
All Palm Trees	Cupressus spp	Arecaceae	32 & up	Non-Native	No	Grandfather: High Desert
						climate is too cold

SHRUBS

A shrub is woody plant smaller than a tree and has several main stems arising at or near the ground. Shrubs were selected to maintain a native look. Once a native shrub has matured, it should not need irrigation. Drip irrigation systems are required outside of the builder envelope. The table's height and width ranges are estimates, water tends to increase the values.

Planting Instructions:

Plant and water according to instructions and remove root ball packing. Review how the particular shrub roots grow to mitigate mature roots from lifting the sidewalk or driveway. Separate shrubs by at least 1 diameter's length from larger adjacent shrubs. Use the diameter of larger shrubs for the separation distance. Hedges of shrubs may lead to high intensity fires with flying embers starting spot fires.

Maintenance Instructions:

Follow the shrub's instructions for watering. Use drip irrigation to water the shrubs to help the roots grow. Once a native shrub has matured, it should not need irrigation. Trimming around the shrub should be in a circular pattern with a diameter of twice the diameter of the plant. Remove leaves, needles, grass, and other debris around the base of the shrub. This will minimize ladder fuels.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Shrubs can be small bond fires that burn out or large bond fires propagating fire as ladder fuel or with burning embers carried by the winds. Fire intensity and propagation may depend on specific shrub selection. Well-watered plants may reduce the concentrations of flammable chemicals and may burn with reduced intensity. Deciduous shrubs tend to be more fire resistant than evergreen shrubs, because their leaves have higher moisture content, and they have fewer

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flammable chemicals. Dead branches in the shrubs enable flames to propagate and consume the entire plant. Shrubs are often laddering fuel for trees, so it is important not to allow the shrub to grow under or next to a tree.

EVERGREEN SHRUBS

Evergreen shrubs that do not shed leaves and stay green all year. The table's height and width ranges are estimates, water tends to increase the values.

Planting Instructions:

Plant and water according to instructions. Separate shrubs by at least 1 diameter's length from adjacent shrubs. Use the diameter of larger shrubs for the separation distance. Plant 5 feet from buildings and one mature diameter width from the tree canopy line.

Maintenance Instructions:

Use drip irrigation to water the shrubs to help the roots grow. Remove grasses and other weeds that grow in and around shrubs. Do not allow other plants to grow under or touch shrubs to mitigate ladder fuel effect. Remove dead branches, needles and leaves to minimize ladder fuel effects. Trim the grass around shrubs to a height of 4 inches. Trimming should be in a circular pattern with a diameter of twice the diameter of the plant.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Fire intensity and propagation may depend on specific shrub selection. Dead leaves, needles, and grasses are ladder fuels for shrubs igniting the shrub's small branches. Evergreen shrubs with flammable chemicals concentrations in their branches and needles are at a higher risk of fire ignition and combustion. Well-watered plants may burn with reduced intensity. The height and width of the plants are the plant's fire load and its potential fire propagation size. Small shrub transport fire horizontally. Larger shrubs transport fire both vertically and horizontally because they have larger flame lengths increasing radiant heat output that can dry out and ignite neighboring plants. Their large burning embers can be carried by winds to start spot fires.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height x Width (ft)	New Mexico Native or Non- Native	Firewise (Trademark)	Comments
Rockrose	Cistus x purpureus	Cistaceae	4 to 5	Non-Native	Yes	
Scotch Broom	Cytisus scoparius	Fabaceae	4 to 6	Non-Native	No	
Apache Plume	Fallugia paradoxa	Rosaceae	6 to 7	Native	Yes	
Four Wing Saltbush	Atriplex canescens	Amaranthaceae	6 to 8	Native	Yes	
Shadescale	Atriplex confertifolia	Amaranthaceae	2 to 2	Native	Yes	
Gardner's Saltbush	Atriplex gardneri	Amaranthaceae	>12 to 5	Native	Yes	

Winterfat	Krascheninnikovia ceratoides	Amaranthaceae	3 to 3	Non-Native	Unknown	
Threadleaf Sagewort/ Silvery Wormwood.	Artemisia absinthium	Asteraceae	4 to 4	Non-Native	Yes	
Sand Sagebrush/ Threadleaf Sagewort	Artemisia filifolia Torr. (Asteraceae)	Asteraceae	4 to 4	Native	Yes	
Prairie Sage	Artemisia ludoviciana	Asteraceae	1 to 3	Native	Yes	
Big Sagebrush/ Bigleaf Sage	Artemisia tridentata	Asteraceae	6 to 10	Native	Yes	
Mule Fat Seepwillow	Baccharis salicifolia	Asteraceae	6 to 8	Native	Unknown	
Desert Broom	Baccharis sarothroides	Asteraceae	6 to 6	Native	Unknown	
Damianita	Chrysactinia mexicana A. Gray	Asteraceae	2 to 2	Native	Unknown	
Turpentine Bush	Ericameria laricifolia	Asteraceae	3 to 4	Native	Unknown	
Curry Plant/ Italian Strawflower	Helichrysum italicum	Asteraceae	2 to 3	Non-Native	Unknown	
Blue Barberry/ Algerita	Mahonia fremontii/Berberis fremontii	Berberidaceae	5 to 7	Native	Yes	
Red Barberry/ Red Mahonia	Mahonia haematocarpa	Berberidaceae	8 to 10	Native	Yes	
Algerita	Mahonia trifoliolata	Berberidaceae	6 to 6	Native	Yes	
Silverberry	Elaeagnus pungens	Elaeagnaceae	10 to 10	Non-Native	Yes	
Mormon Tea	Ephedra nevadensis	Ephedraceae	3 to 4	Non-Native	Yes	
Joint Fir/ Nevada Jointfir	Ephedra torreyana	Ephedraceae	2 to 5	Native	Unknown	
Green Ephedra	Ephedra varidis	Ephedraceae	5 to 5	Native	Yes	
Panchito Manzanita	Arctostaphylos coloradoensis	Ericaceae	1 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Greenleaf Manzanita	Arctostaphylos patula	Ericaceae	10to 13	Native	Yes	
Pointleaf Manzanita	Arctostaphylos pungens	Ericaceae	6 to 12	Native	Yes	
Various Manzanita	Arctostaphylos species	Ericaceae	various	Some are Native	Yes	
Feather Dalea	Dalea formosa	Fabaceae	2 to 3	Native	No	Simi evergreen
Summer Broom	Genista tinctoria	Fabaceae	2 to 3	Non-Native	Unknown	
Spanish Broom	Spartium junceum	Fabaceae	10 to 10	Non-Native	Unknown	
English Lavender	Lavandula angustifolia	Lamiaceae	3 to 3	Native	Yes	
French or Hybrid Lavenders	Lavandula intermedia	Lamiaceae	2.5 to 3	Non-Native	Yes	

Rosemary	Rosmarinus officinalis	Lamiaceae	6 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Pitcher Sage	Salvia azurea var. grandiflora	Lamiaceae	5 to 4	Native	Yes	
Desert Sage	Salvia dorrii	Lamiaceae	2 to 3	Native	Yes	
Lavender Sage	Salvia lavandulifolia	Lamiaceae	1 to 2	Non-Native	Yes	
Big Flowered Sage/ Giant Purple Sage	Salvia pachyphylla	Lamiaceae	2 to 2.5	Native	Yes	
Salvia Species	Salvia spp	Lamiaceae	1 to 3	Native	Yes	Some not cold hardy
Compact Oregon Grape Holly	Mahonia aquifolium compacta	Mahonia	2 to 4	Native	Yes	North side shaded areas
Grey-Leaf Cotoneaster	Cotoneaster glaucophyllus (buxifolius)	Rosaceae	4 to 8	Non-Native	Yes	
Parney Cotoneaster	Cotoneaster lacteus parneyi	Rosaceae	5.5 to 12	Non-Native	Yes	
Cliffrose	Purshia stansburiana	Rosaceae	8 to 8	Native	Unknown	
Antelope Bitterbrush	Purshia tridentata	Rosaceae	6 to 8	Native	Yes	
Lady Bank's Double Yellow Rose	Rosa banksiae lutea	Rosaceae	15 to 20	Non-Native	Yes	
Lady Bank's White Rose	Rosa banksiae alba	Rosaceae	15 to 20	Non-Native	Yes	
Texas Sage 'Rio Bravo' or 'Lynns Legacy'	Leucophyllum langmaniae	Scrophulariaceae	4 to 4	Native	Unknown	
Creosote bush	Larrea tridentata	Zygophyllaceae	6 to 8	Native	Unknown	

DECIDUOUS SHRUBS

Deciduous shrubs that shed leaves seasonally. The table's height and width ranges are estimates, water tends to increase the values.

Planting Instructions:

Plant and water according to instructions. Separate shrubs by at least 1 diameter's length from adjacent shrubs. Use the diameter of larger shrubs for the separation distance. Plant 5 feet from buildings and one mature diameter width from the tree canopy line.

Maintenance Instructions:

Well-watered plants diluted concentrations of flammable chemicals may burn with reduced intensity Remove grasses and other weeds that grow in and around shrubs. Do not allow other plants to grow under or touch shrubs to mitigate ladder fuel effect. Remove dead branches and leaves to minimize ladder fuel effects. Trim the grass around shrubs to a height of 4 inches. Trimming should be in a circular pattern with a diameter of twice the diameter of the plant.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Fire intensity and propagation may depend on specific shrub selection. Deciduous shrubs tend to be more fire resistant than evergreen shrubs due to lower content of flammable chemicals and their leaves have a higher moisture content. Well-watered plants may burn with reduced intensity. Ladder fuels are the biggest risk for shrubs igniting the shrub's dead leaves and branches. The height and widths of the plants is the plant's fire load and its potential fire propagation size. Small shrubs transport fire horizontally. Larger shrubs transport fire both vertically and horizontally, because they have larger flame lengths increasing radiant heat output that can dry out and ignite neighboring plants.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height x Width (ft)	New Mexico Native or Non- Native	Firewise (Trademark)	Comment
Tanner's Sumac/ Prostate Sumac	Rhus coriaria L. (sumac)	Anacardiaceae	9 to 13	Non-Native	Yes	
Smooth Sumac	Rhus glabra	Anacardiaceae	3 to 5	Native	Yes	
Skunkbush sumac/ Three-Leaf Sumac	Rhus trilobata	Anacardiaceae	3 to 6	Native	Yes	
Littleleaf Sumac	Rhus microphylla	Anacardiaceae	8 to 9	Native	Yes	
Staghorn Sumac	Rhus typhina	Anacardiaceae	25 to 30	Non-Native	Yes	(Can be invasive)
Dwarf Chamisa	Chrysothamnus depressus	Asteraceae	2 to 2	Native	Yes	
Chamisa	Chryosthamnus nauseosa/ Ericameria nauseosa	Asteraceae	5 to 5	Native	Yes	
Mariola	Parthenium incanum	Asteraceae	2 to 3	Native	Unknown	
Snowberry	Symphoricarpos albus	Caprifoliaceae	6 to 6	Native	Yes	Moist shaded areas
Coralberry	Symphoricarpos orbiculatus	Caprifoliaceae	6 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Red-Osler Dogwood	Cornus sericea	Cornaceae	7 to 7	Native	Yes	Moist shady areas
Silver Buffaloberry	Shepherdia argentea	Elaeagnaceae	15 to 10	Native	Yes	
Russet Buffaloberry	Shepherdia canadensis	Elaeagnaceae	6 to 12	Native	Yes	
Dwarf Leadplant	Amorpha canescens	Fabaceae	2 to 3	Native	Yes	
False Indigo Bush	Amorpha fruticosa	Fabaceae	10 to 10	Native	Yes	moist shady areas
Siberian Peashrub	Caragana arborescens	Fabaceae	8 to 8	Native	Yes	
Black Dalea	Dalea frutescens	Fabaceae	4 to 4	Native	Yes	
Summer Broom	Genista lydia	Fabaceae	2 to 2	Non-Native	Unknown	
Common Dunebroom	Parryella filifolia	Fabaceae	3 to 3	Native	Unknown	
Broom Dalea	Psorothamnus scoparius	Fabaceae	3 to 5	Native	Yes	

Golden Current	Ribes aureum	Grossulariaceae	6 to 6	Native	Yes	
Wax Currant	Ribes cereum	Grossulariaceae	5 to 5	Native	Yes	
Cliff Fendlerbush	Fendlera rupicola	Hydrangeaceae	6 to 4	Native	Yes	
Littleleaf Mock Orange	Philadelphus microphyllus	Hydrangeaceae	6 to 6	Native	Yes	
Blue Mist Spirea	Caryopteris x clandonensis	Lamiaceae	3 to 3	Non-Native	Yes	
Frosted Mint	Poliomintha incana	Lamiaceae	4 to 6	Native	Unknown	
Russian Sage	Perovskia atriplicifolia	Lamiaceae	5 to 3	Non-Native	Yes	
Roundleaf Vitex (Beach Vitex)	Vitex rotundifolia	Lamiaceae	15 to 2	Non-Native	Unknown	
Winter Jasmine	Jasminum nudiflorum	Oleaceae	4 to 12	Non-Native	Yes	
Pink Plains Beardtongue	Penstemon ambiguus	Plantaginaceae	3 to 3	Native	Yes	
Sand Penstemon	Penstemon arenicola	Plantaginaceae	3 to 3	Non-Native	Yes	
Desert Ceonothus	Ceanothus greggii	Rhamnaceae.	6 to 5	Native	Yes	
Flowering Quince	Chaenomeles speciosa	Rosaceae	6 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Fernbush	Chamaebatiaria millefolium	Rosaceae	5 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Rock Mountain Spray	Holodiscus dumosus	Rosaceae	6 to 6	Native	Yes	
Potentilla/ Shrubby Cinquefoil	Dasiphora fruticosa/ Potentilla fruticosa	Rosaceae	3 to 3	Native	Yes	
Western Sand Cherry	Prunus pumila var. besseyi	Rosaceae	4 to 4	Non-Native	Yes	
Nanking Cherry	Prunus tomentosa	Rosaceae	6 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Austrian Copper Rose	Rosa foetida "bicolor"	Rosaceae	10 to 10	Non-Native	Yes	
Persian Yellow Rose	Rosa foetida "persica"	Rosaceae	6 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Woods Rose	Rosa woodsii	Rosaceae	6 to 8	Native	Yes	
Butterfly Bush	Buddleja alternifolia	Scrophulariaceae	8 to 12	Non-Native	Yes	
Dwarf Butterfly Bush	Buddleja davidii nanhoensis	Scrophulariaceae	5 to 5	Non-Native	Yes	
Wolfberry	Lycium pallidum	Solanaceae	6 to 6	Native	Unknown	
Oreganillo	Aloysia wrightii	Verbenaceae	5 to 4	Native	Unknown	protected areas

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FLOWERS

Plants that produce flowers are usually perennial. They are often herbaceous plants with a low ignition and fuel load. New xeric introductions were selected as well as a few shade-tolerant plants. The table's height and width ranges are estimates, water tends to increase the values.

Planting Instructions:

Plant and water according to instructions. Do not allow plants to become ladder fuels under trees or next to shrubs. Herbaceous or succulent plants less than 8 inches tall may be planted under trees that have been limbed up to 16 inches. Native plants usually require less water than non- native plants. Native plants provide natural habitats and food for the High Desert wildlife.

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Maintenance Instructions:

Irrigation of plants provides moist soil and hydrated stems and leaves. Well-watered flowers may be difficult to ignite. Remove dead flowers and leaves annually and before fire season. You may allow the plants to drop their seeds, then remove dead stems.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Herbaceous and succulent plants have stems with high moisture content minimizing their fire intensity and propagation. The height and widths of the plants is the plant's fire load and its potential fire propagation size. The small height size lends these plants to a horizontal fire. These plants have shorter flame lengths minimizing radiant heat output and their ability to dry out or ignite neighboring plants. Herbaceous plants do not generally contribute substantially to fire propagation - unless they are densely planted and have numerous dead stems and leaves. Well-watered flowers have moist plants parts and low concentrations of flammable chemicals making them less able burn or propagate fires.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height Range (in)	Width Range (in)	New Mexico Native	Firewise (Trademark)	Comment:
Butterfly Milkweed	Asclepias tuberosa	Apocynaceae	12 to 28	12 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Haworth	Haworthia	Asphodelaceae	16 to 20	12	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Red Hot Poker	Kniphofia uvaria	Asphodelaceae	3 to 4	2 to 3	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Moonshine Yarrow	Achillea moonshine	Asteraceae	12 to 24	18 to 24	Horticultural variety	Yes	Herbaceous
Greek Yarrow	Achillea ageratifolia	Asteraceae	6 to 18	18 to 24	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Common/ White Yarrow	Achillea millefolium	Asteraceae	24 to 36	24 to 36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Serbian Yarrow	Achillea serbica	Asteraceae	4	15	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Pussytoes	Antennaria spp.	Asteraceae	6 to 12	9 to 18	Native	Unknown	Some Herbaceous
Filigree Daisy	Anthemis marschalliana	Asteraceae	24 to 30	24	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous foliage
Desert Marigold	Baileya multiradiata	Asteraceae	18	12	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Chocolate Flower	Berliandiera lyrata	Asteraceae	12 to 24	12 to 24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Golden Aster/ Hairy False Goldenaster	Chrysopsis villosa	Asteraceae	8 to 36	12 to 24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Camphorweed	Heterotheca species	Asteraceae	8 to 36	12 to 24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Calliopsis/ Tickseed	Coreopsis spp.	Asteraceae	12 to 48	12 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Blanket Flower	Gaillardia spp.	Asteraceae	12 to 18	12 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Maximillian Sunflower	Helianthus maximiliai	Asteraceae	36 to 120	24 to 48	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Sunflower	Helianthus alba	Asteraceae	18 to 36	12 to 24	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous

Perky Sue/ Bitterweeds	Hymenoxys species	Asteraceae	5	8	Native & Non- Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Dotted Gayfeather	Liatris punctata	Asteraceae	12 to 18	8 to 12	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Purple Aster Bigelow's Tansyaster	Machaeranthera bigelovii	Asteraceae	12 to 18	12 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Daisy Blackfoot	Melampodium leucanthum	Asteraceae	6 to 12	12 to 24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Woolly Paperflower	Psilostrophe tagetina	Asteraceae	4 to 24	12 to 18	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous foliage
Mexican Hat	Ratibida columnifera	Asteraceae	12 to 36	12 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Threadleaf / Silver Leaf Groundsel	Senecio flaccidus	Asteraceae	48 to 72	36	Native	Yes	Poison reference Reducing Livestock Losses to Toxic Plants (agrilife.org)
Golden Torch Goldenrod	<i>Solidago</i> spp. 'Wichita Mtns'	Asteraceae	30	24 to 30	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Late Purple Aster	Symphyotrichum patens	Asteraceae	3 to 6 feet	2 to 3 feet	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Wild Marigold	Tagetes minuta Asterales	Asteraceae	6 to 18	6 to 18	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Pricklyleaf Dogwood	Thymophylla acerosa	Asteraceae	4 to 10	6	Native	Unknown	Woody stems
Angelita Daisy	Tetraneuris acaulis	Asteraceae	12	15	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Rayed Cota/ Greenthread	Thelesperma filifolium	Asteraceae	12 to 36	12 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Mules Ears	Scabrethia scabra/ Wyethia scabra	Asteraceae	12 to 24	6 to15	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous Foliage
Desert zinnia	Zinnia acerosa	Asteraceae	10 to 12	24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous woody stem
Prairie Zinnia/ Rocky Mountain Zinna	Zinnia grandiflora	Asteraceae	4	15	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Bowles Mauve Wallflower	Erysimum 'bowles mauve'	Brassicaceae	18 to 24	15to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous (Bi- annual so short lived)
Wallflower	Erysimum linifolium	Brassicaceae.	15 to 24	15 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Pincushion Flower	Scabiosa	Caprifoliaceae	12 to 18	12 to 18	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous woody stem
Valerian	Valeriana officinalis	Caprifoliaceae	5 feet	1.5 feet	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Red Valerian/ Jupiter's Beard	Centranthus ruber Alba	Caprifoliaceae	24 to 36	18 to 24	Non-Native	Yes	Woody stems (Invasive re- seeder)
Dianthus species	Dianthus spp.	Caryophyllaceae	6 to 12	6 to 12	Native	Yes	Herbaceous

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Sunrose	Helianthemum nummularium	Cistaceae	6 to 12	24 to 36	Non-Native	Yes	woody stem
Pink Morning-Glory	Ipomoea carnea	Convolvulaceae	12 to 36	36	Non-Native	Unknown	woody stem
Bush Morning-Glory	Îpomoea leptophylla	Convolvulaceae	12 to 36	3 to 4	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Blue Spurge	Euphorbia myrsinites	Euphorbiaceae	6 to 12	6 to 12	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Purple Prairie Clover	Dalea Purpurea	Fabaceae	12 to 36	12 to 18	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Blue-Eyed Grass	Sisyrinchium bellum	Iridaceae	12 to 24	12 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Hummingbird/ Bubblegum Mint	Agastache cana	Lamiaceae	24 to 36	18	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Licorice Mint Hyssop/Mexican Hyssop	Agastache rupestris	Lamiaceae	36 to 42	18	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
White Horehound	Marrubium vulgare Lamiales	Lamiaceae	24 to 30	12 to 36	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Bergamot/ Bee balm	Monarda fistulosa	Lamiaceae	30-48	24-36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Bee Balm (Lemon)	Monadra citriodora	Lamiaceae	12 to 30	9 to 12	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Persian Catmint	Nepeta racemosa	Lamiaceae	9 to 18	12 to 18	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous (Choose sterile variety)
Oregano	Origanum spp.	Lamiaceae	6 to 9	12 to 18	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Prairie Skullcap (any)	Scutellaria spp.	Lamiaceae	2 to 3	18 to 30	Native	Yes	Some Herbaceous
Woolly Lamb's Ear	Stachys byzantina	Lamiaceae	4 to 6	18 to 30	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Scarlet Hedgenettle	Stachys coccinea	Lamiaceae	18	18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Prairie Flax/ Blue Flax	Linum lewisii	Linaceae	12 to 36	18 to 36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Winecups	Callirhoe involucrata	Malvaceae	6 to 12	6 to 36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Globemallow	Sphaeralcea spp.	Malvaceae	36 to 42	24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Flame flower	Phemeranthus calycinum	Montiaceae	10 to 12	4 to 6	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Sweet Sand Verbena	Abronia fragrans	Nyctaginaceae	12 to 36	8 to 40	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Giant Four O'clock	Mirabilis multiflorav ar. Glandulosa	Nyctaginaceae	36	36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Desert Four O'clock	Mirabilis multiflora	Nyctaginaceae	15 to 18	48 to 72	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Hartweg's Sundrops	Calylophus hartwegii	Onagraceae	6 to 18	6 to 18	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Catalina California Fuchsia	Epilobium canum (Zauschneria californica)	Onagraceae	1to 18	3 to 36	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Hummingbird Trumpet	Epilobium canum,	Onagraceae,	18 to 24	18 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Whirling Butterflies	Ĝaura lindheimeri	Onagraceae	36 to 60	12 to 24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Berlandier's Sundrops	Oenothera berlandieri	Onagraceae	10 to 12	12 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Tufted Evening Primrose	Oenothera caespitosa	Onagraceae	8 to 12	24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous

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Missouri Evening	Oenothera missouriensis	Onagraceae	12	12 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Primrose		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					
Mexican Evening Primrose	Oenothera speciosa	Onagraceae	36	12	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Evening Primroses (any)	Oenothera spp.	Onagraceae	9 to 24	12 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Indian Paintbrush	Castilleja species	Orobanchaceae	12 to 24	1 to 3	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Narrowleaf Penstemon (Beardtongues)	Penstemon angustifolius	Plantaginaceae	4 to 12	4	Native	Yes	woody stem
Scarlet Bugler	Penstemon barbatus	Plantaginaceae	24 to 48	9 to 12	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Cardinal Penstemon (Beardtongues)	Penstemon cardinalis	Plantaginaceae	24 to 36	15 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Beardtongues (any)	Penstemon spp.	Plantaginaceae	18 to 36	12 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous Some are not cold hardy
Desert Beardtongue	Penstemon pseudospectabilis	Plantaginaceae	36	24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Firecracker Penstemon	Penstemon eatonii	Plantaginaceae	24 to 36	15	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
James Penstemon (Beardtongues)	Penstemon jamesii	Plantaginaceae	12 to 36	6 to 12	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Maguire's Beardtongue	Penstemon linarioides	Plantaginaceae	8 to 12	12	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Palmer's Penstemon	Penstemon palmeri	Plantaginaceae	4 to 5 feet	2 feet	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Pine-Leaved Penstemon	Penstemon pinifolius	Plantaginaceae	10 to 12	12 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Rocky Mountain Penstemon	Penstemon strictus	Plantaginaceae	24	36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Veronica (any)	Veronica Spp.	Plantaginaceae	6 to 9	6 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Phlox (any)	Phlox spp.	Polemoniaceae	6 to 48	6 to 36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
James Buckwheat	Eriogonum jamesii	Polygonaceae	5 to 6	20	Non-Native	Yes	Not Herbaceous
Buckwheat species	Eriogonum spp.	Polygonaceae	3 to 16	12 to 36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Sulphur Buckwheat	Eriogonum umbellatum	Polygonaceae	6 to 12	12 to 36	Native	Yes	Not Herbaceous
Spreading Wild Buckwheat	Eriogonum effusum	Polygonaceae	24	5'	Native	Yes	Woody stems
Golden Columbine	Aquilegia chrysantha	Ranunculaceae	24 to 36	24 to 36	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Southern wormwood	Artemisia abrotanum	Ranunculaceae	36 to 48	24 to 36	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Powis Castle Wormwood	Artemisia arborescens x absinthium	Ranunculaceae	36	24	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Roman Wormwood	Artemisia pontica	Ranunculaceae	24 to 36	12 to 24	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Beach Wormwood	Artemisia stelleriana	Ranunculaceae	8 to 12	20	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous

Blue Butterfly Dwarf Delphinium	Delphinium chinensis hybrid	Ranunculaceae	12 to 18	12 to 18	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Common Rue	Ruta graveolens	Rutaceae	24 to 36	24 to 36	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Yerba Mansa	Anemopsis californica	Saururaceae	4 to 12	24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Firefly Coral Bells	Heuchera sanguinea 'firefly'	Saxifragaceae	12 to 18	9 to 12	horticultural variety	Yes	Herbaceous
Devil's Weed, Moonflower/	Datura meteloides	Solanaceae	36 to 48	36 to 48	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Sacred Datura	Datura wrightii	Solanaceae	6 feet	2 to 5 feet	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Silverleaf Groundsel	Solanum elaeagnifolium	Solanaceae	12 to 36	Roots spread	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous (pest)
Pricklyleaf Dogweed	Glandularia acerosa	Verbenaceae	9	6	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Rose Vervain	Glandularia canadensis	Verbenaceae	10	12 to 24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Verbena	Verbena Spp	Verbenaceae	24 to 72	12 to 36	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous (Some can be flowers or ground cover.)

GROUND COVER

Groundcover refers to plants that provide low-surface cover and are used to provide protection from erosion, drought and improve High Desert aesthetic landscape. They can be used as flowers or ground cover. Many are herbaceous plants with a low ignition and fuel load. The table's height and width ranges are estimates, water tends to increase the values.

Planting Instructions:

Plant and water according to instructions. Plants with mature heights up to 8-inches may be planted within 5-feet of the house and under trees. Plants with greater than 8-inch height must be planted at least 5-feet away from buildings and are not allowed under trees. Do not plant where it comes in contact with other plants to prevent ladder fuels. Some herbaceous plants may age and produce woody parts. Please plant these away from other plants.

Maintenance Instructions:

Groundcover plants should be limited to 6-8 inches in height. Keep plants well hydrated and remove dead leaves and stems annually and before fire season. If the plants grow higher thank 8-inches trim the plants to prevent the plant from becoming ladder fuels. Trim plants stem that grows into the sidewalk or walkways to prevent stumbles/falls by the walkers. Herbaceous plants can grow under trees if the dead needles, leaves or wood is cleared, and the tree branches are at least twice the height of the ground cover.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

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Some of the evergreen plant may have sap, resins and waxes, like the pine and juniper trees. These highly flammable chemicals may provide a high flames and heat and may propagate fire with burning embers. They may not be planted within 5 feet of the buildings, under trees or next to bushes. The height and widths of the plants is the plant's fire load and its potential fire propagation size. Ground cover plants limited to 6-8 inches in height may facilitate ground horizontal fires. Plants taller than 8-inches may become ladder fuels and propagate fire vertically. Well-watered ground cover may be difficult to ignite and may not substantially contribute to fire propagation.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height Range (in)	Width Range (in)	New Mexico Native	Firewise (Trade mark)	Comments
Purple Ice Plant	Delosperma cooperi	Aizoaceae	1 to 2	15 to 18	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Yellow Ice Plant	Delosperma nubigenum	Aizoaceae	2	24	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Mount Atlas Daisy	Anacyclus depressus	Asteraceae	4	12	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Rockcress	Aubrieta 'Purple Cascade'	Asteraceae	4	24	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Fringed Sage / Prairie Sagewort	Artemisia frigida	Asteraceae	4 to 15	12 x 24	Native	Yes	Woody
Snow-in-Summer	Cerastium tomentosum	Caryophyllaceae	4 to 6	15 to 18	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Creeping Baby's Breath	Gypsophila repens	Caryophyllaceae	4 to 6	12	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Rock Soapwort	Saponaria ocymoides	Caryophyllaceae	6 to 8	15 to 18	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Gray Creeping Germander	Teucrium aroanium	Lamiaceae	2 to 3	18 to 24	Non -Native	Yes	Woody stems
Wall / Mat Germander	Teucrium chamaedrys	Lamiaceae	6 to 8	18	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Wooly Thyme	Thymus lanuginosus	Lamiaceae	2	16	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Mother of Thyme	Thymus praecox	Lamiaceae	2	18 to 30	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Veronica species	Veronica spp.	Plantaginaceae	2	18	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous (If height is low- grown cover otherwise it is a flower)
Leadwort/ Dwarf Plumbago	Ceratostigma plumbaginoides	Plumbaginaceae	6 to 8	18	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Common Maiden Hair	Adiantum capillus- veneris	Pteridaceae	6 to 12	10 to 24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous

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Mock Strawberry	Duchesnea indica	Rosaceae	3 to 8	12 to 24	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous			
Pawnee Buttes Sand Cherry	Prunus besseyi 'Pawnee buttes	Rosaceae	12 x 18	4' x 6'	Non -Native	Yes	Woody			
Hen-n-Chicks	Sempervivum	Sempervivoideae	1 to 2	4 to 6	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous			
Purple Groundcherry	Quincula lobata / Physalis lobata	Solanaceae	1 to 6	24	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous			
Verbena	Verbena spp.	Verbenaceae	1 to 6	12	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous (height is low grown cover other wise flower)			
Ground Cover plants with mature heights greater than 8 inches should be planted outside of the 5-foot house perimeter										
Lavender Cotton/ Grey Santolina	Santolina chamaecyparissus	<u>Asteraceae</u>	12 to 24	24 to 36	Non -Native	Yes	Woody stems			
Creeping Oregon Grape	Mahonia repens	<u>Berberidaceae</u>	12 to 18	36	Native	Yes	Woody stems Shaded areas			
Creeping Barberry	Mahonia repens	<u>Berberidaceae</u>	24	36	Native	Yes	Woody stems			
Persian Stonecress	Aethionema schistosum	Brassicaceae.	10	15	Non -Native	Unknown	Woody stems			
Autumn Joy Sedum- Rosy Glow-Cape B	Hylotelephium telephium	<u>Crassulaceae</u>	15 to 18	15	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous/ succulent			
Stonecrop	Sedum spp.	<u>Crassulaceae</u>	15 to 18	15	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous/ succulent			
Kinnikinnick	Arctostaphylos uvaursi	<u>Ericaceae</u>	6 to 12	15'	Native	Yes	Woody stems (Shaded moist areas)			
Roundleaf Horehound	Marrubium rotundifolium	<u>Lamiaceae</u>	10	18	Non -Native	Yes	Herbaceous			
Common Thyme	Thymus vulgaris	<u>Lamiaceae</u>	6 to 12	6 to 12	Non -Native	Yes	Woody stems			

VINES

Vines are plants, whose stem requires support and climbs by tendrils or creeps along the ground. Vines must be installed on a trellis to prevent wall erosion. Trellis must be no higher than 10 feet and free standing. Vines that attach to walls or are considered invasive are not selected on this plant list.

Planting Instructions:

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Plant and water according to instructions. From a fire mitigation perspective, do not plant where vegetation may climb on buildings or up trees.

Maintenance Instructions:

Keep plants well hydrated and remove dead stems and leaves. Remove all plants next to them that are ladder fuels, e.g., grasses. Do not let the vines climb trees or building structures.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Fire intensity and propagations depends on the stem size and leaf density. The height and widths of the plants is the plant's fire load, and its potential fire propagation size. Vines spread vertically and horizontally propagating fire in multiple directions. If they are attached to wood structures and the wood catches fire, then the flames and heat intensity increase becoming a particularly hazardous situation. All vines become highly flammable and prone to rapid fire propagation, if they are dried out and/or dead. Well-watered vines (lots of green leaves and few dead or senescent leaves) minimize the plants' flammability and fire propagation.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height Range feet	Width Range feet	New Mexico Native	Firewise (Trademark)	Comment
Common Hop	Humulus lupulus var.neomexicanus	Cannabaceae	15 to 20	15 to 20	Native	Yes	
Arizona Honeysuckle	Lonicera arizonica	Caprifoliaceae	3 to 5	3 to 5	Native	Yes	
Goldflame Honeysuckle	Lonicera heckrotti	Caprifoliaceae	10 to 15	3 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Coral Honeysuckle	Lonicera sempervirens	Caprifoliaceae	8 to 15	3 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Silverlace Vine	Fallopia aubertii / Polygonum aubertii	Polygonaceae	15 to 20	3 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Chinese Clematis	Clematis lanuginosa	Ranunculaceae	3 to 4	3 to 4	Non-Native	Yes	
Rocky Mountain Clematis	Clematis columbiana	Ranunculaceae	10 to 12	1 to 2	Native	Yes	
Jackman Hybrid	Clematis jackmanii	Ranunculaceae	7 to 10	3 to 6	Non-Native	Yes	
Western Virgins Bower	Clematis ligusticifolia	Ranunculaceae	1 to 30	3 to 6	Native	Yes	
Scarlet Clematis	Clematis texensis	Ranunculaceae	10 to 15	2 to 3	Non-Native	Yes	
Woodbine	Parthenocissus inserta	Vitaceae	12 to 20	5 to 10	Native	Yes	
Trumpet Vine	Campsis radicans	Bignoniaceae	8 to 20	30	Non-Native	No	Grandfather: Invasive
Virginia Creeper	Parthenocissus quinquefolia	Vitaceae	30 to 50	5 x 10	Non-Native	No	Grandfather: Invasive

Boston IvyParthenocissus
tricuspidataVitaceae30 to 605 x 10Non-NativeNoGrandfather:
Attaches to walls
and destroys them

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GRASSES

Grasses are plants with narrow leaves growing from the base. They are often herbaceous plants with a low ignition and fuel load. The table's height and width ranges are estimates, water tends to increase the values. Each genus of grass requires a specific height to ensure enough sunlight to provide the roots the ability to withstand drought and reach nutrients.

Planting Instructions:

Plant and water according to instructions. They can be planted near the home, but not within 5 feet of building structures. Do not plant under or next to shrubs. They can be planted under trees as long as the grass height is maintained at less than 8 inches.

Maintenance Instructions:

Keep grasses well-watered. Maintain the mowed or trimmed height according to the instruction. Remember the root structure requires different grass heights per different grasses. Do not allow plants to become ladder fuels under trees or next to shrubs.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Fire intensity and propagations depends on the grass type. The height and widths of the grass is the plant's fire load and its potential fire propagation size. Well-watered grasses (lots of green leaves and few dead or senescent leaves) are not easily flammable nor subject to fire propagation. The small height size lends these grasses to basically a horizontal fire. However, all grasses become highly flammable and prone to rapid fire propagation if they are dried out and/or dead. If grasses heights are not maintained they can become ladder fuels especially under trees, shrubs, and vines.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height Range x Width (in)	New Mexico Native or Non- Native	Firewise (Trademark)	Comments
Indian Sand Grass	Achnatherum hymenoides	Poaceae	1 to 2.5	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Silver Bluestem	Andropogon barbinodis	Poaceae	3 to 4	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Big Bluestem	Andropogon gerardii	Poaceae	4 to 8	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Sano Bluestem	Andropogon hallii	Poaceae	7	Native	Unknown	Foliage Herbaceous
Little Bluestem	Schizachyrium scoparium	Poaceae	1 to 2	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Side-Oats Grama	Bouteloua curtipendula	Poaceae	3 to 4	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Buffalo Grass	Bouteloua dactyloides	Poaceae	4 to 6	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Black Grama	Bouteloua eriopoda	Poaceae	10 to 20	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Blue Grama	Bouteloua gracilis	Poaceae	10 to 20	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Hairy Grama	Bouteloua hirsuta	Poaceae	10 to 20	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous

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Karl Foerster	Calamagrostis acutiflora	Poaceae	48 to 72	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Sand Lovegrass	Eragrostis trichodes	Poaceae	2 to 5	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Arizona Fescue	Festuca arizonica	Poaceae	1 to 3	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Redondo Arizona Fescue	Festuca arizonica vasey	Poaceae	1 to 4	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Blue Avena Grass	Helictotrichon sempervirens	Poaceae	2	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Needle and Thread Grass	Hesperostipa comata	Poaceae	3	Native	Yes	Herbaceous rarely woody
James Galleta	Hilaria jamesii	Poaceae	11 to 19	Native	Yes	Herbaceous woody rhizome
Chinese Silver Grass	Miscanthus sinensis	Poaceae	6 to 8	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous (Higher water grass)
Gulf Muhly / Hair Grass	Muhlenbergia capillaris	Poaceae	1 to 3	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Pine Muhly	Muhlenbergia dubia	Poaceae	1 to 3	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Bull Grass	Muhlenbergia emersleyi	Poaceae	1 to 2	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Mountain Muhly	Muhlenbergia montana	Poaceae	1 to 3	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Bush Muhly	Muhlenbergia porteri	Poaceae	1.5 to 3	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous semi-woody
Seep Muhly	Muhlenbergia reverchonii undaunted	Poaceae	1 to 3	horticultural variety	Unknown	Herbaceous Stems with some wood
Deer Grass	Muhlenbergia rigens	Poaceae	3 to 5	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Ring Muhly	Muhlenbergia torreyi	Poaceae	1 to 2	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Pink Flamingo Muhly	Muhlenbergia x Pink Flamingo	Poaceae	4 to 5	Hybrid	Unknown	Herbaceous
Indian Millet/ Ricegrass	Achnatherum hymenoides	Poaceae	1 to 3	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Texas Grass/ Bulbous Panic	Panicum bulbosum	Poaceae	30 to 40	Native	Unknown	Sometimes woody
Vine-Mesquite	Panicum obtusum	Poaceae	12 to 24	Native	Unknown	Sometimes woody
Switchgrass	Panicum virgatum	Poaceae	3 to 5	Native	Yes	Sometimes woody
Western Wheatgrass	Pascopyrum smithii	Poaceae	1 to 3	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Karley Rose Fountain Grass / Oriental Fountain Grass	Pennisetum alopecuroides Karley Rose	Poaceae	2 to 3	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Feathertop/Dwarf Feathertop	Pennisetum villosum	Poaceae	1 to 2	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Galleta Viva	Pleuraphis jamesii	Poaceae	3 to 24 inches	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Burro Grass	Scleropogon brevifolius	Poaceae	4 to 8	Native	Unknown	Sometimes woody

Cheyenne Indian Grass	Sorghastrum nutans	Poaceae	3 to 7	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Alkali Sacaton	Sporobolus airoides	Poaceae	20 to 60	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Spike Dropseed	Sporobolus contractus	Poaceae	3	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Sand Dropseed	Sporobolus cryptandrus	Poaceae	2 to 3	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Giant Sacaton	Sporobolus wrightii	Poaceae	3 to 8	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Pampas Grass	Cortaderia selloana	Poaceae	6 to 5 feet	Non -Native	NO	Grandfather: Fire hazard; sawtooth blades easily ignitable Albuquerque Prohibited Plant

DESERT ACCENT

An accent plant is a tree or shrub with interesting characteristics that is placed as a landscape highlight. The table's height and width ranges are estimates, water tends to increase the values. Once desert plants are mature, they do not need irrigation.

Planting Instructions:

Succulent plants less than 8 inches can be planted near buildings and under trees. Plant and water according to instructions. Do not plant tall woody accent plants near structures, under trees or near shrubs.

Maintenance Instructions:

Remove dead stems, branches, and leaves. Typically, these are native plants. They only need rain and snow moisture. Trim the grass around large cactus to a height of 4 inches. Trimming should be in a circular pattern with a diameter of twice the diameter of the plant.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Fire intensity and propagation may depend on specific plant selection. They generally do not contribute to spot fires. The height and widths of the plants is the plant's fire load and its potential fire propagation size. Succulents hold a lot of moisture and cannot carry fire. Some aging herbaceous plants may have a little wood enabling small flames with low radiant intensity heat. The smaller the plants height, the fire propagation risk is for horizontal fires, not vertical.

Common Name Scientific Name Family Name	Height .	Width Range (in)	New Mexico Native	Firewise (Trademark)	Comments
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New Mexico Agave	Agave neomexicana	<u>Asparagaceae</u>	1.3 to 1.6	2 to 2.6	Native	Yes	Herbaceous perennial
Parry's Agave	Agave parryi	<u>Asparagaceae</u>	1.6 to 2	2 to 3	Native	Yes	herbaceous evergreen perennial succulent
Utah Agave	Agave utahensis	<u>Asparagaceae</u>	0.5 to 2	1 to 3	Non- Native	Yes	succulent
Green Sotol	Dasylirion leiophyllum	Asparagaceae	3 to 6	4 to 6	Native	Unknown	Succulents
Sotol / Dessert Spoon	Dasylirion wheeleri	<u>Asparagaceae</u>	3 to 6	2 to 3	Native	Unknown	Succulents
Red Yucca	Hesperaloe parviflora	<u>Asparagaceae</u>	3 to 5	4 to	Non- Native	Yes	Herbaceous perennial
Spanish Dagger/ Banana Dagger	Yucca baccata	<u>Asparagaceae</u>	1.3 to 1.6	4 to 6	Native	Yes	Succulents
Soaptree Yucca	Yucca elata	Asparagaceae	5 to 20	3 to 7	Native	Yes	
Narrowleaf/ Soapweed Yucca	Yucca glauca	Asparagaceae	1.4 to 1.8	2 to 3	Native	Yes	
Harriman's Yucca	Yucca harrimaniae	Asparagaceae	1.8 to 2	1	Native	Yes	Succulents
Softleaf Yucca	Yucca recurvifolia	Asparagaceae	6 to 10	2 to 3	Non- Native	Yes	Succulents
Thompson's Yucca	Yucca thompsoniana	Asparagaceae	6 to 12	8 to 24	Non- Native	Yes	
Torrey's Yucca	Yucca torreyi	Asparagaceae	3 to 10	2 to 4	Native	Yes	
Big Beargrass/ Sacahuista	Nolina microcarpa	Asparagales	6 to 7	4 to 6	Native	Unknown	Succulents
Beargrass	Nolina texana	Asparagales	1 to 2	2 to 4	Native	Yes	
Cane/ Tree Cholla	Cylindropuntia imbricata	Cactaceae	3 to 15	3 to 15	Native	Yes	
Klein's cholla	Cylindropuntia kleiniae	Cactaceae	5	4	Native	Yes	
Walking Stick Cholla	Spinosior	Cactaceae	8	4	Native	Yes	
Horse Crippler	Echinocactus texensis	Cactaceae	4 to 6	10 to 15	Native	Yes	Succulents
Scarlet Hedgehog Cactus	Echinocereus coccineus	Cactaceae	0.5 to 2	3	Native	Yes	Succulents
Texas Rainbow Cactus	Echinocereus dasyacanthus	Cactaceae	4 to 8	2 to 3	Native	Yes	Succulents
Lace Cactus/ Oklahoma Hedgehog	Echinocereus reichenbachii	Cactaceae	3 to 11	2 to 4	Native	Yes	Succulents
Hedgehog Cactus	Echinocereus spp.	Cactaceae	1 to 2	5	Native	Unknown	Succulents
Claret Cup Cactus	Echinocereus triglochidiatus	Cactaceae	10	4	Native	Yes	Succulents
Pitaya/ Green Flowering Hedgehog	Echinocereus viridiflorus	Cactaceae	12	1 to 3	Native	Unknown	Succulents

Plain's Pincushion Cactus	Escobaria missouriensis	Cactaceae	4	1 to 3	Native	Unknown	Succulents
Pincushion Cactus	Escobaria spp.	Cactaceae	0.5	1	Native	No	Succulents
Beehive Cactus	Escobaria vivipara	Cactaceae	5	0.5 to 3	Native	Unknown	Succulents
Club Cholla	Grusonia clavata	Cactaceae	0.5	3.3	Native	Yes	
Cintos Prickly Pear	Opuntia anacantha	Cactaceae	3	6	Non- Native	Yes	Succulents
Engelmann's / Desert Prickly Pear	Opuntia engelmannii	Cactaceae	0.25 to 0.5	0.5 to.8	Native	Yes	Succulents
Brittle Cactus	Opuntia fragilis	Cactaceae	2 to 8	0.5 to 1	Native	Yes	Succulents
Brownspine / Prickly Pear	Opuntia phaeacantha	Cactaceae	8	8	Native	Yes	Succulents
Ocotillo	Fouquieria splendens	Fouquieriaceae	8 to 20	5 to 10	Native	Unknown	(Tender, needs protected nook)

BULBS

Bulbs have rounded underground storage organs. They are herbaceous plants that have low ignition and fuel load. Rabbits love all bulb foliage except poisonous daffodils.

Planting Instructions:

Follow planting and watering instructions. Plant only in containers, in natural grass areas, in ground covers. These plants have a high moisture content. They can be planted within 5 feet of the house and under trees that have been trimmed up double the height of the bulb. They may be planted under trees that have been limbed up to double the height of the plant.

Maintenance Instructions:

Follow the instructions to separate bulbs. Remove dead plant and dead parts.

Fire Intensity & Propagation:

Bulbs have low flammability, propagation and fire intensity risk. All bulbs are herbaceous without woody parts lowering fire risk. The height and widths of the plants is the plant's fire load and its potential fire propagation size. The small height size lends these plants to a horizontal fire, if they burn.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Name	Height Range (in)	Width Range (in)	New Mexico Native	Firewise (Trademark)	Comments
Ornamental Onions	Allium spp.	Amaryllidaceae	3 to 5	18 to 24	Some Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Nodding Onion / Lady Leek	Allium cernuum	Amaryllidaceae	12 to 18	3 to 6	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Geyer's Onion	Allium geyeri	Amaryllidaceae	3 to 19	12 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous

Wild Onion	Allium macropetalum	Amaryllidaceae	24	2	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Garlic Chives	Allium tuberosum	Amaryllidaceae	12 to 18	12 to 24	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Starflower	Ipheion uniflorum	Amaryllidaceae	3 to 6	3 to 6	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Spider Lily / Naked Lady	Lycoris radiata	Amaryllidaceae	12 to 24	12 to 21	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Rain Lily Species	Zephyranthes spp.	Amaryllidaceae	6 to 12	6 to 12	Native	Unknown	Herbaceous (Limit to dry climate species)
Daffodil Species	Narcissus spp.	Amaryllidaceae.	6 to 31.5	6 to 12	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous (Limit to dry climate species)
Meadow Saffron	Colchicum spp.	Colchicaceae	3 to 6	3 to 6	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Blue-Eyed Grass	Sisyrinchium bellum	Iridaceae	12 to 24	12 to 24	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Common Montbretia	Crocosmia crocosmiiflora	Iridaceae	40 to 48	39 to 47	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Copper Tips / Falling Stars	Crocosmia spp.	Iridaceae	36 to 48	15 to 18	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Crocus Species	Crocus spp.	Iridaceae	2 to 12	3 to 4	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Rocky Mountain Iris	Iris missouriensis	Iridaceae	12 to 24	9 to 12	Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Bulb Iris	Iris reticulata	Iridaceae	3 to 6	3 to 4	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Siberian Iris	Iris sibirica	Iridaceae	24 to 48	12 to 40	Non-Native	Yes	Herbaceous
Flax-Leaved Tulip	Tulipa batalinii	Liliaceae	6 to 12	6 to 9	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Lady Tulip	Tulipa clusiana	Liliaceae	9 to 12	6 to 9	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Greggii Tulip	Tulipa greggii	Liliaceae	6 to 12	6 to 10	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Water-Lily Tulip	Tulipa kaufmanniana	Liliaceae	6 to 12	4 to 6	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous
Tulip	Darwin hybrids	Liliaceae	9 to 12	9 to 12	Non-Native	Unknown	Herbaceous

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HIGH DESERT SEED MIXES

There are two seed mixes available to High Desert residents with different contents and purposes. The most appropriate seed mix is based on the intended use. Because some seeds may not be available in any given year, the contents of the seed mixes vary. Also, some species may become invasive over time and would be removed from the mixes. For more information about how to purchase the seed mixes below contact the High Desert Residential Owners Association Property Manager (HDROA).

Date Used	Company Name	Phone Number	Email/ website	Address	Other
2020	Curtis and Curtis Seed	575-762-4759	www.curtisseed.com	4500 N Prince St, Clovis, NM 88101	
2018	No address for company used in 2018				

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HISTORICAL SEED MIXTURES

Reclamation Seed Mix (before 2018) – this mix is intended for reseeding disturbed areas during construction and includes both grasses and shrubs. Sample contents of the reclamation seed mix include the following grass, wildflower and shrub seeds.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Pounds/Acre	Percent
Sideoats Grama Niner	Bouteloua curtipendula	9	22.78%
Blue Grama Hachita	Bouteloua gracilis	9	22.78%
Galleta Viva	Hilaria jamesii	4	10.13%
Sand Dropseed	Sporobolus cryptandrus	2.5	6.33%
Bush Muhly	Mulenbergia porteri	1	2.53%
Apache Plume	Fallugia paradoxa	0.5	1.27%
Winterfat	Krascheninnikovia lanata	1.5	3.80%
Chamisa	Ericamerica nauseosa	0.5	1.27%
Fern Verbena	Verbena bipinnatifida	0.75	1.90%
Purple Aster	Aster bigelovii	0.5	1.27%
Thread leaf Groundsel Reducing Livestock Losses to Toxic Plants (agrilife.org)	Senecio flaccidus Poison livestock	0.5	1.27%
Scarlet Globernallow	Sphaeralcea coccinea	0.25	0.63%
Bush Penstemon	Penstemon Ambiguous	5	12.66%
Desert Marigold	Baileya multiradaiata	0.5	1.27%
Indian Paintbrush	Castilleja spp.	1	2.53%
Pale Evening Primrose	Oenothera pallida	2	5.06%
Paperflower	Psilostrophe tagetina		
Mexican Hat	Ratibida columnifera	1	2.53%
	TOTAL	39.5	100.00%

Native Over-Seeding Mix (before 2018) – This mix is intended for natural areas that may appear sparse, so they need over-seeding, or for previously seeded areas. There are no shrubs in this mix although there are some sub-shrubs and more wildflowers. Sample contents of the reclamation seed mix might include the following grass and wildflower seeds.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Pounds/Acre	Percent
Sideoats Grama Niner	Bouteloua curtipendula	9	19.15%
Blue Grama Hachita	Bouteloua gracilis	9	19.15%
Galleta Viva	Hilaria jamesii	4	8.51%
Sand Dropseed	Sporobolus cryptandrus	2.5	5.32%
Bush Muhly	Mulenbergia porteri	1	2.13%
Fern Verbena	Verbena bipinnatifida	0.75	1.60%
Purple Aster	Aster bigelovii	0.5	1.06%
Blanket Flower	Gaillardia grandiflora	10	21.28%
Thread leaf Groundsel Reducing Livestock Losses to Toxic Plants (agrilife.org)	Senecio flaccidus Poison livestock	0.5	1.06%
Scarlet Globernallow	Sphaeralcea coccinea	0.25	0.53%
Bush Penstemon	Penstemon ambiguous	5	10.64%
Desert Marigold	Baileya multiradaiata	0.5	1.06%
Indian Paintbrush	Castilleja spp.	1	2.13%
Pale Evening Primrose	Oenothera pallida	2	4.26%
Paperflower	Psilostrophe tagetina		NA
Mexican Hat	Ratibida columnifera	1	2.13%
TOTAL		47	100.00%

2020 SEED MIXTURES

5 acre and 1-acre High Desert Mixture from Curtis and Curtis.

Please note they do not include the scientific name or give specific varieties due to supply issues.

5 Acre High Desert Mixture - With Shru	bs	1 Acre High Desert HOA Mix - No Shrubs
Common Name	Code	Common Name
1 Sideoats Grama Niner	18718	1 Sideoats Grama Niner
2 Blue Grama Hachita	19461	2 Blue Grama Hachita
3 Galleta Viva	1140	3 Galleta Viva
4 Sand Dropseed (variety not stated)	1039	4 Sand Dropseed (variety not stated)
6 Four-wing Saltbush (variety not stated)	19913	5 Gaillardia Aristata (variety not stated)

Common Name	Code
1 Sideoats Grama Niner	18718
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2 Blue Grama Hachita	19461
3 Galleta Viva	1140
4 Sand Dropseed (variety not stated)	1039
5 Gaillardia Aristata (variety not stated)	1157

7 Sand Verbena (variety not stated)	1121
8 Winter Fat (variety not stated)	19914
10 Mexican Hat Coneflower (variety not stated)	19976
11 Desert Marigold (variety not stated)	1116
12 Desert Globe Mallow (variety not stated)	1117
13 Palmer Penstemon Cedar	1156
14 Brittlebush (variety not stated)	18370

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6 Desert Marigold (variety not stated)	1116
7 Coneflower Prairie (variety not stated)	20018

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