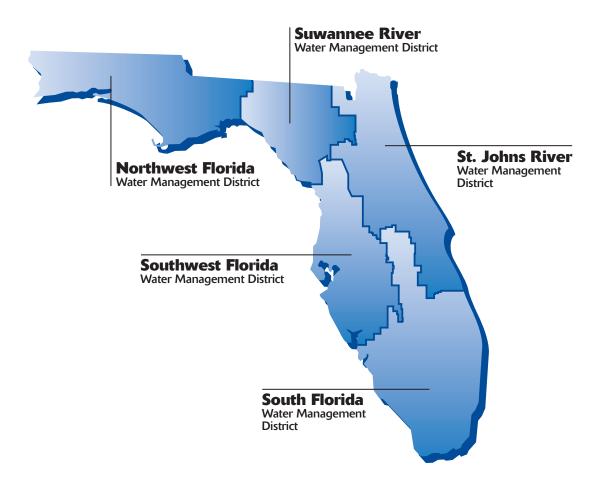


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Second row: Iris, blue flag (Iris hexagona); Confederate-rose (Hibiscus mutabilis); Amaryllis (Hippeastrum hybrids)

Third row: Sweet olive (Osmanthus fragrans); Ginger, peacock (Kaempferia spp.); Dotted horsemint (Monarda punctata)

Bottom: Milkweed, scarlet (Asclepias curassavica); Passion flower, incense (Passiflora x 'Incense'); Firebush (Hamelia patens)

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Introduction

Florida is surrounded on three sides by water. The state's sources of surface water are wetlands, thousands of lakes, and many rivers and streams. With all this water around, many people may not realize there is a need to **conserve** water. Even though Florida is surrounded by water and has many interior water bodies, not all of that water is available for drinking or other uses by humans. In addition, Florida's weather is fickle — long periods of wet weather may be followed by long periods of dry weather. The state's leaders recognize the need to conserve water as a means to ensure the continued availability of this vital resource for everyone from year to year.

Preserving and protecting Florida's water resources is a main focus of the state's five water management districts. This guide is brought to you by the water management districts in an effort to help you work with nature in the state's unique environment to establish a landscape that conserves water resources and protects water quality. Through use of waterwise landscaping (based on the principles of Xeriscape), everyone

can help conserve resources. Florida's water management districts have permission to use the concepts of Xeriscape, which is a registered trademark of Denver Water.

Achieving a natural, healthy balance in your landscape starts by putting the right plant in the right place. Matching plants to conditions that exist in your area helps them thrive, once established, with little or no irrigation or chemicals. The seven principles of Xeriscape are explained in this guide. Scientific or other special terms appear in bold. These terms are listed in the glossary at the end of this guide and are defined in the context in which they are used in this guide. A plant list is included to help you choose the best plants for your landscape. Resources and references for more information are listed at the back of the guide.

Through this guide, we hope you'll find that when you work with nature, nature will work for you. And you'll be doing your part to ensure that our natural resources can be enjoyed today and by future generations.



What Is Waterwise Landscaping?

Waterwise is a common sense way to landscape that conserves water and protects the environment.

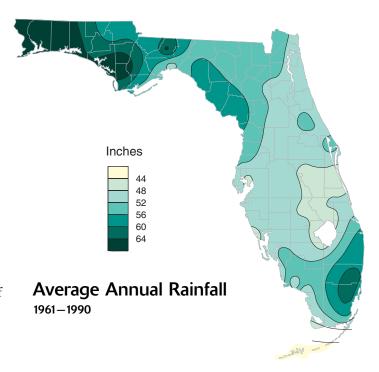
The main objective of waterwise landscaping is to establish and maintain a healthy landscape by matching the right plants with existing site conditions so that the use of additional resources, such as water, fertilizer, pesticides and labor, is minimized. In addition to helping conserve water resources, waterwise landscaping practices reduce the amount of pollutants reaching water bodies because fewer yard chemicals are used. Fertilizers and pesticides can contaminate water bodies when they are washed out of the yard with the rain, in **stormwater runoff**.

The best time to establish a drought-tolerant water-conserving landscape for your home or commercial property is long before a drought. Once established, the right plant in the right place will be highly self-sufficient, needing little help to survive nature's extremes. Healthy, well-placed plants with deep, established root systems will need less help to survive a drought.

Conserving our water supply and reducing water pollution have become important issues in our growing communities. Despite Florida's humid climate and abundant surface water bodies, water shortages do occur here. Demand can overtake supply, and regional droughts force Floridians to practice water conservation as a way of life.

In many Florida households, as much as half of household water is used outdoors, mostly for lawn and garden irrigation. Ninety percent of all public water supply in Florida comes from underground sources, primarily the Floridan **aquifer**. The aquifer's resources are limited. Each day we pump billions of gallons of water from the Floridan aquifer, but the rate at which the groundwater system refills, or recharges, from rain is far less. On average, Florida receives 54 inches of rainfall yearly.

Taking too much water out of the aquifers, known as overpumping, threatens **potable** water



supplies, but it also increases the occurrence of **sinkhole** formations. Because the aquifer system is connected to surface water bodies in some areas, overpumping the aquifers causes lowered water levels — or **drawdowns** — of our vital **wetlands** and lakes.

Likewise, fresh groundwater sources can be threatened by **saltwater intrusion**. Saltwater intrusion occurs when too much freshwater is pumped from an aquifer, allowing salt water to move into voids in the aquifer from the ocean or the Gulf of Mexico; ancient **brackish** seawater below the freshwater level of the aquifer can also move into these voids.

Florida's water management districts have declared water resource caution areas throughout the state in areas where overpumping or saltwater intrusion has occurred. A water resource caution area is an area where the current source of public water supply is not adequate or may not be adequate to meet public water supply demands in 20 years.

The Seven Principles of Xeriscape







The seven simple principles of Xeriscape landscaping have been used by landscape professionals for years. Here is an overview of the seven principles; details of each principle are given in the following pages.

1. PLAN AND DESIGN —

Make a sketch of the landscape site. Base the plan on site conditions, existing vegetation and topography — the natural features of the land. Assess the area's growing conditions and think through intended uses of the landscape. Landscapes are dynamic, so include elements of growth, time and change in your plan.

Determine the soil's composition, from sandy to clay, and test for the pH of the soil — its level of acidity

2. OBTAIN A SOIL ANALYSIS —

pH of the soil — its level of acidity or alkalinity. This information will help you decide which plants are best suited to the conditions of your yard.

3. CHOOSE PROPER PLANTS — When choosing new plants, match each spot in your landscape with plants that thrive in the specific conditions of that spot. Look for plants known to be resistant to disease and pests. Consider each plant's mature height and width, its need for sun, shade, soil and water, and its tolerance to cold or salt. Preserve as many existing trees and shrubs as possible, provided they're healthy and the root systems are not significantly

impacted by construction. Native vegetation appropriately placed will remain healthy with minimal supplemental irrigation and care, once established.

- 4. USE TURF WISELY Grass is often a yard's largest water user, but it can still play a role in a water-conserving landscape. Use turf where it is most functional in the landscape plan, such as where children or pets will play, or for erosion control. In other areas, consider more water-thrifty alternatives such as groundcovers or mulched walkways.
- 5. IRRIGATE EFFICIENTLY Group plants based on their water needs. Put moisture-loving plants in moist areas and plants that prefer well-drained sites in drier areas. Group together plants that may need irrigation so that water is only used in limited areas. Only irrigate when plants need water or when rain has been inadequate, and use the right irrigation system and proper sprinkler head for each area.
- 6. USE MULCHES Mulches help hold moisture in the soil, moderate temperature, slowly release nutrients, reduce weed growth and slow erosion. Spread mulch around shrubs and trees and on flower beds, 2 to 4 inches thick, keeping mulch from coming into direct contact with plant stems.

7. PERFORM PROPER MAINTENANCE —

Keep plants healthy. Too much water and fertilizer promote weak growth, as well as increase pruning and mowing requirements. Remove weeds by hand before they get established and crowd out the plants you want. Watch for pests and make sure they're truly a problem before waging war, then do it organically whenever possible.

1. Plan and Design

The first step of design is to identify growing conditions and any vegetation or structures already in place. Next, decide how the property will be used. Be sure to check city and county landscaping codes for restrictions in your community. Also, some neighborhood associations have landscape specifications in the deed restrictions.

Inventory the site, identifying

- Growing conditions
 - Hardiness zone (for cold and heat)
 - Direction/aspect (north, south, east, west)
 - Areas that are sunny or shady throughout the day and the seasons
 - Areas that drain well or that collect water
- Existing vegetation (Is it healthy? Is it native? Is it appropriate for site conditions?)
- Hardscape (walkway, driveway, pool, fence)
- Views and adjacent features (Frame a pleasing view, or screen an undesirable view. Watch out for underground utilities and overhead power lines.)

KNOW HOW IT GROWS

Understanding a site's growing conditions is the most important factor in choosing plants. Regional growing zones in Florida range from 8a to 11 (see map on page 21).

Within a regional growing zone, climatic variations can be influenced by specific site conditions such as shade or direct sun. These specific site conditions are referred to as **microclimates**. There may be dry areas and moist or wet areas on the same property. All of these conditions must be assessed to match them with the plants that will do well in each.

Sunny and shady areas will vary, depending on the time of day and the season. For example, a plant may get more sun in winter than in summer due to the changed angle of the sun or because a **deciduous** tree has lost its leaves and no longer provides shade. The south side of a building has more sun than the north side, so heat-sensitive plants can be placed on the north side of a building where it's cooler. More cold-sensitive plants can be placed on the south side of a building for protection from winter's north wind.

HOW WILL YOU USE IT?

The next step in the planning process is to determine what functions you want the landscape to serve.

Answer these questions:

- How will you use your yard?
- What are the best places for entries, walkways, sitting areas and play areas?
- Where do you want to frame existing views or to establish privacy?
- · Where do you want to create views or accent areas?

Start with the **plat** (map, or plan) of your property, or draw your site to scale (e.g., 1 half inch = 1 foot). Computer software and lined/grid paper are readily available at computer or office supply stores. Put existing plants and site conditions on the master drawing. Make multiple copies so you can sketch in different ideas, or lay tracing paper over your master drawing to try out different ideas.

On your drawing, arrange plants to create and define spaces, direct or screen views, and influence



Put your ideas on paper to plan your landscape.

direction of movement. Plants can modify climate — a shade tree cools and protects, creating microclimates that determine the kinds of plants that can live in that shade. Take out the tree and you change the microclimate — different plants can now live in that space.

Your plant choices can also attract and support wildlife and beneficial insects. Plants can be specifically selected as nectar and larval food plants for butterflies and caterpillars or as food and nesting habitat for birds, or to add vibrant beauty to the landscape.

Take your time and learn as much as possible about the area to be landscaped. A year of observation is recommended to study, reflect on and tune in to seasonal changes and other variables that exist in the area.

THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER

When combining plants, the most important considerations are mature size and how the plants look and exist together. Experiment with how different combinations look together, considering color, shape, texture and mature size.

Plants combined in groups of odd numbers often look better than plants combined in groups of even numbers. Use repetitive elements — the same color in different shapes, for example. Other aesthetic uses for plants are to complement, soften, frame or emphasize elements within the landscape or architectural features of a building.

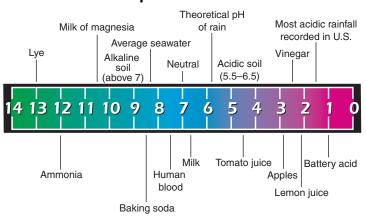
Plan for different seasons of the year to ensure year-round interest through blooms, color, foliage and shapes in the landscape. And, because landscapes are forever changing, plan accordingly. While waiting for that young live oak to grow into a dominant landscape element, plant sunny areas with annuals or perennials that will eventually be shaded out by the growing oak.

2. Obtain a Soil Analysis

Florida soils have varying textures, colors, water-holding capabilities and nutrient levels for plants. It is important to examine and analyze your soil at the beginning of a landscaping project. Most Florida soils typically do a good job of supporting plant life — just look around at the variety of plants growing naturally in Florida. When choosing plants, be aware that some may require a lot of feeding and then may still have deficiency problems. It's best to choose plants suited to existing soil conditions.

A soil's pH level — **acid**, neutral or **alkaline** — is one factor to analyze before selecting plants. Most plants grow best in soil that has a pH that is somewhat acidic (pH 5.5–6.5). Some plants, such as beach sunflower, will tolerate alkaline soils (high pH, above 7), while other plants simply can't. Coastal areas frequently have alkaline conditions — the presence of salt and shell fragments can be an indication of alkalinity.

pH Scale



Some plants can tolerate acidic soils (lower than pH 5.5), and there are some plants that require acidic soil to thrive, for example, camellia, blueberry, gardenia and azalea.

If your landscape is in a low-lying area such as pine flatwoods, different kinds of soils may have been brought in as fill material to raise the building's foundation. Thus, soil samples will need to be taken from several areas around the yard.

Soil can be improved in planting beds with amendments such as peat or compost, added several weeks before planting and then again periodically. But because amendments break down, it is difficult to significantly change soil over the long term. Adding organic matter does improve nutrient levels and basic soil

conditions, but will not drastically change extreme conditions permanently. For more information about mulches and the rates at which they break down, contact your local County Cooperative Extension Service office.

WHAT'S IN THE SOIL?

The County Cooperative Extension Service can test pH in soil or irrigation water for a small fee, or you may wish to purchase a simple kit at your neighborhood garden center. The address and the telephone number of your local extension office are listed in the telephone book under county offices.

A wealth of information about soils for each county in Florida can be found in your county's soil survey, published by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service (listed in the telephone book under federal government offices). Soil surveys are frequently in the reference section of local libraries.

In a county soil survey, exact properties can be pinpointed on aerial photographs. Specific soil types are described as being good for certain kinds of plants, for residential development, for septic tanks, etc. A survey also includes information such as depth of the **water table** throughout the year; water table depth can be key in determining growing conditions for trees and other plants.



Remember to take into account any fill material that may have been brought in. Try to learn from the builder if local soils were used. It is common to dig retention pond areas and use that dirt for the foundation fill. But remember that even then, soils that are altered through disturbances can't necessarily be equated to undisturbed soils from the same area. Also be aware that substances may have been spilled or buried during construction. If there's an apparently unplantable area in the landscape, dig for debris or excavate the problem area and replace with topsoil.

Knowing the following about your soil conditions is fundamental to matching the right plants to your site:

- pH
- · Sand, clay or rich soil
- Drainage

To determine drainability, fill a hole with water and note how quickly it drains. Knowing the water table level can also be important; a high water table (close to the surface) could influence growing conditions. The highest water table level of the year is generally in August.

To determine a high water table, dig a hole and see if water seeps into it.

Once you understand your soil analysis, the fun really begins — looking for plants!

3. Choose Proper Plants

Try to keep as much of the existing vegetation as possible. If a plant grew in an area without your help, then conditions there are obviously right for it.

Choose plants that can survive on normal rainfall in your area or that require minimal irrigation. Existing native-plant communities are an example of the "right plant in the right place." There are also nonnative plants cultivated specifically for Florida conditions that are water-efficient and resistant to disease and pests. However, there are also some plants that do too well because they don't have any natural balances in the Florida environment, and they become highly invasive.

And remember, the success of your waterwise landscape depends as much on where you locate plants as on what plants you use. Plant it smart!

Learn each plant's

- Mature size (height and width)
- Sun and shade requirements
- · Soil needs
- · Water needs
- · Salt and cold tolerances

Match these factors with your soil and climatic conditions.



DO YOU NEED SALT-TOLERANT PLANTS?

Many areas in Florida have salt prevalent in the air and the water; this is particularly true near the coast and salt marshes. Salt can even find its way into wells. Exposure to salt may severely damage or kill some plants, so if necessary, choose plants that can tolerate such exposure. Salt is alkaline, so a plant's tolerance for salt indicates its tolerance to alkalinity.

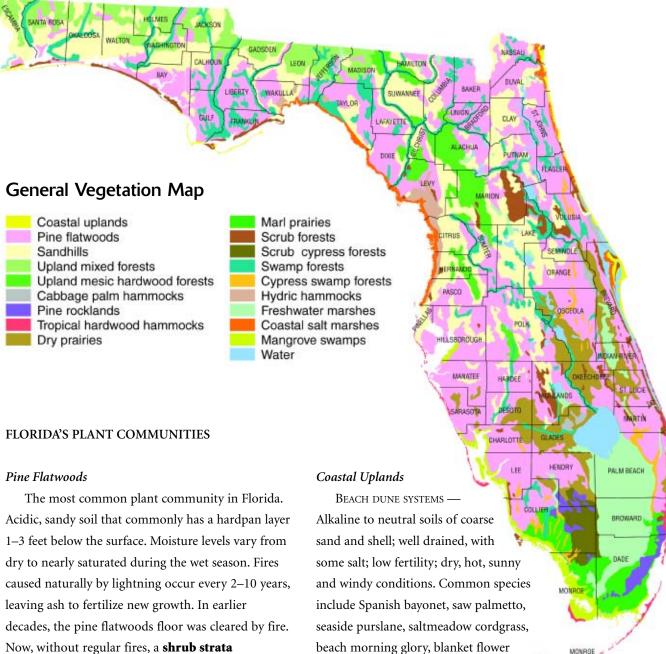
Where does this salt originate? Homes near the beach experience salt spray, with stiff winds blowing fine particles of salt and sand onto plants. Different plants can take varying degrees of this salt exposure. Some can't tolerate it at all. Consult the County Cooperative Extension Service for a list of additional salt-tolerant plants.

Irrigation water may also be salty, or **saline**. In some areas, the water taken from the ground is naturally high in salt. Other areas suffer from saltwater intrusion, where salt water moves underground into freshwater aquifers due to overpumping of the aquifer. If the salinity level in irrigation water is too high, the water can kill plants. Also, be aware that some household water treatment systems add salt to the water to remove iron or other minerals. Don't use this water for plants.

Use this guide and consult a plant specialist to determine if a plant is salt-tolerant. If you suspect salt problems, have your water tested for salt content. Contact your County Cooperative Extension Service for more information about testing water for salt.

The general vegetation map of Florida (on page 9 of this guide) indicates the original native-plant communities throughout the state. Different plant communities often converge gradually in what is called **ecotones** — regions where one ecosystem blends into another. Sometimes pockets of one community are surrounded by another.

Observing the differences in ecotones can help determine differences in the landscape, helping to identify the best plants for the microclimates throughout the landscape.



Now, without regular fires, a shrub strata dominates. In managed conservation areas, controlled burns are conducted to reduce the amount of fuel plants on the forest floor and to encourage growth of **herbaceous** species.

The most dominant species include longleaf pine, slash pine or pond pine (depending on hydric conditions), saw palmetto, gallberry, fetterbush and tarflower. The forest floor has herbaceous species such as wiregrass, muhly grass, blazing star, violets and lilies — species adapted to both wet and dry conditions. Occasionally there are dahoon holly, persimmon, maple trees, loblolly bay and sweetbay.

MARITIME FORESTS — Soil pH moderately alkaline to neutral; sandy with some shell and periodic shell mounds. Retains some moisture though well drained, with **humus**, organic material. Plants indigenous to this community will tolerate some salt, wind, shade and drought. Some common plants include southern red cedar and magnolia, redbay, sand live oak, cabbage palm, American holly, Hercules'-club, saltbush and coontie.

and beach dune sunflower.



Hardwood forest

Sandhills

High pinelands of open longleaf pine with wiregrass and shrubs and turkey oaks, over rolling uplands and sand ridges, with deep, acidic sandy soil that is very well drained. Sandhills grade into pine flatwoods and are often adjacent to, or interspersed with, islands of scrub throughout Florida.

Hardwood Forests

Hardwood hammocks occur in patches in temperate areas of Florida. The soils are acidic and sandy; the range is through the three moisture zones: **xeric**, **hydric** and **mesic**.

UPLAND MIXED FORESTS — Occur throughout Florida's northern panhandle region on upland clay soils over limestone bedrock. The canopy and **understory** are highly diverse, dominated by hardwoods, mostly oaks, with some pine species which are more prominent in earlier successional phases.

UPLAND MESIC HARDWOOD FORESTS — Oak-hickory to pine-oak-hickory; range is through central to west-central Florida on rich upland soils and clay hills.

Cabbage Palm Hammock

Sand over **marl**; flat **hammocks** of cabbage palms and live oaks; rarely flooded.

Rocklands

The uplands of southern peninsular Florida and the Keys; highly impacted by human development.

PINE ROCKLANDS — Porous limestone with sandy humus and marl; good drainage. Plant species include South Florida slash pine, cabbage palm and saw palmetto, with ferns, sedges and more than a hundred herbaceous species.

TROPICAL HARDWOOD HAMMOCKS — Alkaline limestone with moist humus. The diverse canopy carries many **epiphytes**, such as bromeliads, orchids and ferns. The canopy includes live oak, gumbo limbo, black ironwood and mahogany. The understory ranges from temperate to tropical species and includes white, red and Spanish stoppers, spicewood, beautyberry and wild coffee.

Prairies

DRY PRAIRIES — Similar to pine flatwoods without the pine overstory; dry prairies occur in central and southern Florida. Sandy, acidic soil is present, often with hardpan and a high water table, becoming inundated only after heavy rain. Dominant species are wiregrass and broomsedges.

MARL/ROCKLAND PRAIRIES — Wet grassy areas on alkaline soils intermixed with forests on porous limestone with an understory of palms and shrubs.

WET PRAIRIES — Often intermingles in ecotones with pine flatwoods, with few sparse pines, if any, allowing the sun through to stimulate a flourishing of herbaceous flora. Wet prairies are inundated by water 50–150 days of the year.

Scrub

Consists of Florida's rarest plants and animals. The land area of this endangered habitat was reduced by more than 90 percent during the 20th century, leaving fragments, often in degraded condition. Infertile, sandy, excessively drained soils are high aquifer **recharge areas**, making scrub a particularly important ecosystem. These forests consist of scrub sand pine, small scrub oaks, rosemary shrubs and scrub palmetto.

SCRUB CYPRESS — Occurs in south Florida with thin marl soils over limestone; dwarfed pond cypress with sedges and grasses. Adjacent to the Everglades; often flooded.

Cypress Swamp Forests

Inundated by water most of the year. Can border rivers and lakes or be isolated; dominated by bald cypress in flowing systems and pond cypress in stagnant systems.

Wetland Forests

SWAMP FORESTS — Flooded most of the year along rivers and basins; characterized by pond cypress, bald cypress, red maple, water hickory, ashes and tupelo.

HYDRIC HAMMOCKS — Moist sites flooded occasionally, with evergreen and deciduous hardwoods of red maple, loblolly bay, water oak, Florida elm and cabbage palm.

Freshwater Marsh

Shallow wetlands that contain a variety of grasses and sedges on peat soil which may be dry during certain conditions. Common plants found are grasses, saw grass, pickerelweed, arrowhead and water lilies.

Coastal Saline Wetlands

Water levels in coastal wetlands are under the constant influence of tides, thus the degree of salinity varies from salt water to brackish.

COASTAL SALT MARSHES — Mostly occur in north and west Florida; characterized by grasses and rushes.

Mangrove swamps — Occur in central and south Florida coastal areas that flood, then drain, creating thick, nutritious muck.





Seagrapes and coonties fill this coastal landscape.

WHAT TO PLANT

Plant lists should be generated for the different areas of the landscape based on growing conditions and desired characteristics.

Plantings should be placed with consideration for changes which will take place over time. In natural plant communities, these changes are called **succession**. Succession is the orderly process of community change. It is the sequence of communities which replace one another in a given area.

In most landscapes, succession is halted by deliberate maintenance practices. Yet plants tend to strive toward succession. By planning for each plant's mature state, a dynamic landscape can be planned to include natural changes.

When plants are first put into a landscape, the area should look unfinished, as the landscape must be given space and time to grow. Plan to replace sun-loving plants with shade-tolerant plants as the larger elements in the landscape such as trees and shrubs grow and create shade.

Remember, many so-called shrub species are actually 20-foot multi-trunked trees. Select plant species that will mature to a height and width that will fit the planting location. If you want a shrub that only grows 2–4 feet tall, find a dwarf variety or use ornamental bunch grasses or flowering perennials like pentas and scarlet milkweed.

Publications about Florida's plant communities are available through your local library.

PLANTING FOR EFFICIENT WATER USE

Group plants according to their water needs and soil conditions. If plant placement is done correctly, once plants are established, little to no supplemental irrigation will be necessary.

NATURAL ZONE — In this area, place plants that have adapted to the wet and dry extremes of Florida's climate so that regular watering (once plants are established) won't be necessary, except during prolonged drought.

DROUGHT-TOLERANT ZONE — In this area, place plants that can survive extended periods of time without rain or supplemental irrigation.

OASIS ZONE — In this area, place plants that may require some watering.

Plants native to Florida can play a very dependable role in the landscape. Many of Florida's plants have evolved through periods of extreme wet and then dry weather, so they survive through drought and don't get root rot standing in water. They have also developed defenses to the diseases, fungi and insects which originate in Florida. Many have proven wind tolerances in areas that experience tropical storms and hurricanes.

Strive to establish a yard that is largely sustained by existing conditions, then if specialty plantings such as vegetables or roses are desired, a more laborand resource-intensive planting bed can be created in one or two areas.

Remember, the overriding guidance should be to put the right plant in the right place.



Oaks and palmettos

4. Use Turf Wisely

Grass can be a practical part of your landscape in the right place, for example, in a play area for children. Follow these simple tips for a healthy lawn and to reduce maintenance:

- Go LIGHT ON THE FERTILIZER. Fertilization stimulates growth and increases water needs. If you do fertilize, use a slow-release product. Water-insoluble products won't be washed away like liquid or fast-release fertilizers, which can contaminate waterways through stormwater or irrigation runoff. The slow-release products stay in the soil to supply nutrients to plants on a gradual basis, over a longer period of time.
- LEAVE SHORT GRASS CLIPPINGS WHERE THEY FALL WHEN YOU MOW. This reduces the lawn's need for both water and fertilizer. However, remove thick patches of clippings, which will decay and kill the grass.
- RISE TO NEW HEIGHTS. That is, raise the height of your lawnmower blades to the highest setting. When you mow the grass, remove no more than one-third of the leaf blade. Cutting grass shorter than this may stress the grass and may also decrease the depth to which roots will grow, increasing the need for water. Most St. Augustine grass and bahia grass varieties should not be mowed below 3 inches in height.
- KEEP A SHARP CUTTING EDGE. When your lawnmower blades are sharp, they give a clean cut. Grass torn and shredded by dull blades suffers stress and requires more water.
- Consider alternatives to Grass. Grass can be a useful plant. Use grass in areas where children or pets play, or for erosion control. In low-use areas, consider drought-tolerant-plant beds, **groundcovers**, mulch, walkways or other alternatives that require little or no water.

5. Irrigate Efficiently

The major oasis area in most yards is the grass. In some Florida locations, rainfall may be adequate for turf, but some supplemental water may be required.

If an irrigation system is needed, manual methods may be the most thrifty. If the landscape is planted with species suited to existing conditions, little or no irrigation will be needed once the landscape is established, so an automatic system isn't necessary. For occasional, manual irrigation of grass areas, a rain gauge is a valuable tool. It can tell you how much rain has occurred and can be used to measure the needed 1/2 to 3/4 inch recommended for grass areas.

Inground irrigation systems are convenient, but often waste water. While the goal of these systems is to uniformly and efficiently irrigate lawns, some may be used to overwater.

Florida law requires an automatic rain sensor shut-off device that is properly installed and functioning on all automatic irrigation systems installed after May 1, 1991 (section 373.62, FS). The rain sensor overrides the irrigation system settings when there has been sufficient rain. Some local laws also require older systems to be retrofitted with shut-off switches.

In addition to having a properly functioning irrigation system, the system's efficiency will depend on you having the correct spray-head types for the various zones to be irrigated and how your landscape has been planted.

For example, turf areas and planting beds should be separated into different irrigation zones because they have different moisture needs.

Select the emitter head that will deliver water to the plant roots as efficiently as possible. For planting beds, microirrigation system emitters deliver water directly to the plant. Microirrigation types include "drip," "trickle," "microsprays" and "bubblers." Microsprays or microjets are often used in shrubbery or on groundcovers. Bubblers are normally used on trees or large shrubs.

Within a zone, all the heads should have the same precipitation rate — the rate at which an irrigation head delivers water — in order to have even distribution within the zone.

Microirrigation delivers water at rates of 60 gallons per hour (gph) or less. Usually, bubblers emit 1 gph and a single-drip emitter, 2 gph. For drip line, 45 gph per foot of line is delivered and up to 60 gph for microsprays. High volume heads are rated at 60 gph or more.

Irrigation System Installation

If installing an inground automatic irrigation system, follow these guidelines to optimize the system's efficiency:

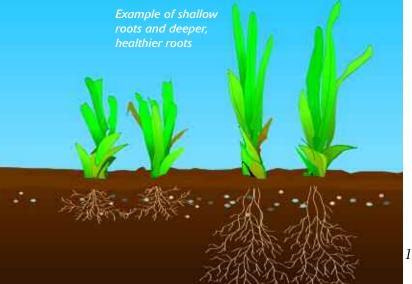


- Properly install automatic rain sensor shut-off device and check regularly to ensure it is functioning properly.
- 2. Install a back-flow valve.
- 3. Separate zones for turf and non-turf areas.
- 4. Match precipitation rates on all heads within a zone (e.g., rotors and spray heads on separate zones).
- 5. Choose each device based on what will most efficiently water each group of plants.
- 6. Use pressure-regulated valve heads.
- 7. Use rotors in turf areas, spaced for "head-to-head" coverage.
- 8. Check valves on rotors and sprays in low-lying areas.
- 9. Verify that the system design meets state specifications for landscape irrigation installation as found in Florida Building Code, Appendix F.
- 10. Schedule appropriate irrigation that supplements rainfall to no more than 1.5 inches of water per week for turf areas, and less in planting beds, in the spring. Water less during the other seasons.
- Conduct regular inspection and maintenance to detect leaks, clean filters and realign or replace rotors and spray heads, as needed.

Turf areas need rotors or spray heads. These sprinkler heads should deliver water "head-to-head," meaning that heads are properly placed to ensure uniform application of water, with one head's spray reaching the closest neighboring head.

To test for distribution uniformity and to determine how long it takes the irrigation system to deliver 1/2 to 3/4 of an inch of water — the amount recommended for lawns — use the "can" method. Place tuna (or similar sized) cans around the yard and measure the water collected in half an hour. If some cans have more water than others, distribution is not even. If you get 1 inch of water, you know you only need to run that zone for 15 minutes to get half an inch.

- USE A RAIN GAUGE. Keep track of how much rain has fallen in your yard. Do not adhere to a rigid irrigation schedule. When it rains, you probably don't need to water. During periods of extended rainy weather, irrigation systems should be turned off.
- IRRIGATE ONLY WHEN PLANTS OR GRASS NEED IT. Water plants that begin to show signs of stress. Signs of stress for grass include leaves wilting or grass blades folding in half, or soil from the root zone feeling dry. Your lawn needs watering if grass blades start turning a bluish-gray color or if footprints linger after being made. Overwatering is often the cause of many common problems, such as dollar weed and fungal growth.





- WATER IF IT HASN'T RAINED. St. Augustine grass only needs rain or watering once or twice a week in summer and once every 8–14 days from December through February. Bahia grass needs water less often.
- HELP GRASS AND PLANTS DEVELOP DEEP ROOT SYSTEMS. It is better to water your lawn and plants well once a week than it is to water lightly each day, but apply water only as quickly as the soil can absorb it. Thorough watering encourages roots to establish themselves deeper in the soil, which makes them more drought-tolerant. Frequent light watering causes roots to stay too close to the surface, where they are dependent on regularly recurring precipitation or irrigation and are more likely to suffer in dry times. The exception to deep watering is for newly installed plants, where the roots are still closer to the surface. These plants need light, more-frequent waterings until they adjust to the new location, generally about 30 to 60 days. Larger plants, shrubs and trees may need frequent waterings longer to become established.
- WATER EARLY IN THE DAY. To minimize loss of water through evaporation, water early in the morning, before sunrise. When the sun rises, it will dry plants, reducing the potential for fungal growth or diseases. Leaving plants wet overnight creates conditions for fungal growth. Watering in the heat of the day is prohibited in some areas of Florida under rules established by the water management districts. In addition, watering in the middle of the day results in water loss through evaporation.

- OBSERVE WATER RESTRICTIONS IN YOUR AREA. Under Florida law, the water management districts have established water conservation rules. Where there is a year-round watering rule, it applies to everyone who uses water outdoors homes, businesses, nurseries, golf courses regardless of the water source, whether private well, public utility or surface water. There are some exceptions to the water restrictions, such as when reclaimed or reuse water is being used. Any local water restrictions that are more strict than the water management districts' must be followed. Violating Florida's water restrictions is punishable with penalties of up to \$500, with additional fees as applicable.
- Sweep sidewalks or driveways instead of hosing them down. If your chore requires water, use an automatic shut-off nozzle at the end of a hand-held hose.
- INSPECT YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM REGULARLY. Check all hoses, pipes and fittings for leaks, which can waste hundreds or thousands of gallons of water every week. Repair broken or clogged spray heads and emitters and adjust them to keep from watering the pavement. Clean microirrigation filters regularly and change as needed. Also, use a rain gauge in the yard to make sure the rain shut-off switch is working.



Mulch helps hold moisture in the soil.

6. Use Mulches

If you already use mulches in your yard, you're ahead of the game. Placing a layer of mulch directly around shrubs and trees and on flower beds helps to conserve water. In fact, mulch

- Helps retain moisture in the soil
- Decomposes slowly, adding nutrients to the soil
- Provides habitat or cover for beneficial soil organisms
- Shades soil from the baking sun, reducing the need for water
- Protects against soil erosion and compaction caused by rain
- · Reduces weed growth
- Reduces maintenance chores; keeps lawn mowers and weed trimmers from damaging trees and other plants
- · Looks good in the landscape

Mulch can include bark chips, pine needles or leaves. Using leaves for mulch eliminates having to burn or bag the leaves for landfill disposal. Cypress mulch, although widely available, is not a good environmental choice because cypress are slow-growing native wetland trees that are often taken as whole, mature trees and chipped into mulch just to help meet market demand. Cypress are far more valuable to us in their environment than as mulch in the landscape. Alternative sources of mulch, such as melaleuca, eucalyptus, Australian pine and recycled matter from yard cuttings, are suggested instead. Some of these environmentally friendly alternatives are obtained from nonnative pest trees and are becoming increasingly available.

For best results, spread 2–4 inches of mulch on plant beds. Keep the mulch several inches away from the plant stems to protect the stems from rotting. Gradually increase the thickness of the mulch layer



Seagrapes and cabbage palms

going out from the plant. Add new mulch as needed, stirring the old mulch to promote air and moisture circulation to avoid matting.

Don't use compost or mulch that has diseased material. Get mulches from a reputable dealer, as mulches can contain contaminants such as undesirable seeds or insect pests. Mulching holds moisture and may attract termites, so should not be piled up right next to a building's foundation.

Be aware that **inorganic** mulch such as gravel or colored rocks will not hold moisture. Moreover, white rock reflects heat, which is stressful to plants.

7. Perform Proper Maintenance

An environmentally balanced, low-maintenance landscape starts with the previous steps of analysis, planning and selecting the plants suitable for the site. A diverse array of plant species will attract a variety of insects to the area, helping to create a balanced food chain so that no one species can become dominant enough to become a major pest problem. This way, nature works for you to make landscaping and maintenance easy and rewarding.

NATURAL PEST MANAGEMENT

Only a fraction of a percent of all insects known to humans are considered pests, and these species are generally herbivores, eating plants we want for ourselves — either for food or for ornamental value. A food chain always has carnivores looking to eat herbivores. Predators — including predatory insects — that eat our "pests" are called "beneficial" organisms. But it doesn't stop there. Birds, bats, lizards and frogs also eat insects. As a part of the food chain, this diversity of life creates a living balance and will do so in the landscape if allowed.

If we try to eradicate an organism that is pestering us, we risk poisoning not only the pest, but also the beneficial organisms that would decrease the pest populations. If broad-spectrum pesticides are applied to the landscape, many beneficial organisms could be killed.

Integrated pest management (IPM) is a proven concept for controlling pests. IPM is also a good way to protect water quality.

The basic premise is to use the least toxic method and to limit any treatments to affected areas, not the entire yard. Observation, or scouting, is the basis to understanding what the most effective method will be. First, determine if there really is a problem. Consider tolerating some plant damage as part of nature's process. For example, caterpillars that become butterflies can eat the leaves off certain plants before forming a chrysalis, only to have the plant come back later as healthy as before.

If observation proves there is a problem, learn about the pest organism's life cycle so you can disrupt that cycle. For example, mosquitoes need

standing water to lay eggs. During mosquito season, removal of even the smallest standing pools of water — in pots, or even in bromeliads — will help decrease mosquito populations in an area.

When using chemicals, spot-treat the affected area only, at a time when the pest is most vulnerable.

Rather than routinely applying chemicals to the entire lawn, spot-treat pests and problem areas while problem areas are small and localized. This will minimize pesticide use and avoid killing beneficial organisms. Contact your local County Cooperative Extension Service for more information on lawn pests, their life cycles and control.

WEEDS

Weeds are often the hardy annuals and perennials that lead succession. Soil left bare will soon be growing something. To minimize the growth of unwanted plants, mulch and/or keep areas planted. Remove any weeds as they emerge, before they develop seed heads or extensive root systems that compete for moisture and nutrients.

COMPOSTING

Plant leaves manufacture sugar from sunlight, water and carbon dioxide. Other nutrients and minerals are drawn from the soil where they have built up from decayed leaves and other material that falls in natural settings. Frequently, cultivated areas are stripped clean of these wastes, then petroleumbased fertilizers are applied to replace the natural food source.

Compost is the cheapest and most effective fertilizer available. Leaves and pine needles piled or left as mulch to decay under plants and trees slowly return essential elements to the soil, while helping retain moisture. Mulch and compost help soil maintain a healthy balance of microorganisms and other soil builders, such as earthworms.

A helper in the garden, the golden garden spider.

FERTILIZING

Once established, your water-conserving yard may require only moderate amounts of supplemental fertilizer. Overfertilizing aggravates pest problems, stimulates excessive growth and requires frequent watering. Fertilizers carried by irrigation water or rain can **leach** into **groundwater** and our waterways.

When needed, the best choice for plants and the environment is slow-release fertilizer. The package label on the fertilizer will say organic, slow-release or controlled release, water-insoluble nitrogen, sulfurcoated, IBDU, or resin-coated. Check the label for inclusion of trace minerals.

Fertilization should be used when specific nutrient deficiency symptoms are evident. Natural sources of these nutrients are available and inexpensive.

Nitrogen — grass clippings, compost, cottonseed meal Phosphorus — compost, rock phosphate (many Florida soils are already phosphorus-rich)

Potassium — compost, aged manure, fireplace wood ashes (raises soil pH)

Some plants can make nutrients available in the soil for the benefit of other plants. Clover, for example, "fixes" nitrogen (takes in nitrogen from the air), making it available for grass. Thus, leaving clover mixed in with lawn grasses is actually healthier than trying to eliminate it.

PRUNING

If a plant is placed in the right location and given enough room to mature, pruning should be minimal. Prune to retain the natural shape, or structure, of trees and shrubs and to promote or maintain strong structure. Less pruning is usually better because pruning is stressful to a tree or shrub, which causes it to require more water. Also, pruning at the wrong time of the year can stress plants.

Your County Cooperative Extension Service office has brochures with simple graphics showing how to make proper pruning cuts.



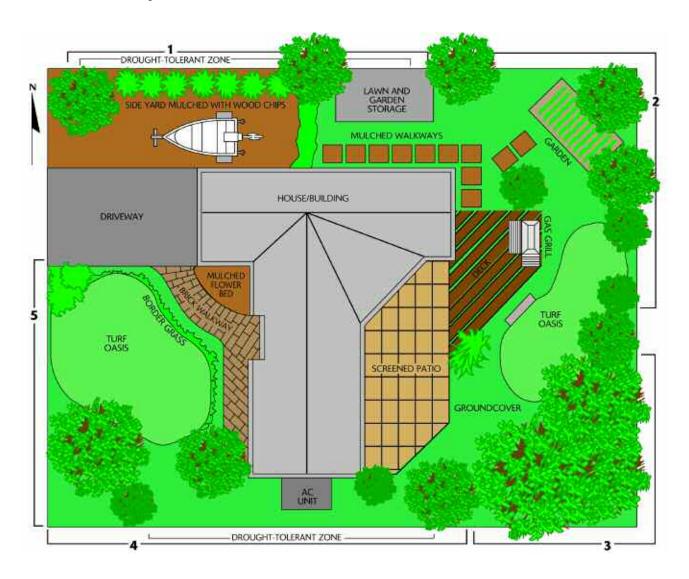
An example of "hat racking," a pruning practice that stresses a plant and increases the plant's water needs.

- *Trees* Prune carefully to promote strong development in the trunk and main branches. Don't prune the first year after transplanting. Never cut off the top of a tree to control height.
- *Palms* Only dead and diseased fronds should be removed. If a palm frond is living and green, it is producing energy for the plant and should not be cut.
- *Shrubs* Shearing shrubs results in foliage forming only at the outer, sheared surface, with no internal foliage. By selectively thinning branches following the natural shape of a shrub, you can open the shrub foliage to permit light penetration while retaining some control over its size.

A Landscape Example

- 1. Our drought-tolerant zone next to the driveway has mulch and low-water shrubs instead of grass. This zone continues along the length of the house and eliminates watering, mowing and edging chores in low-use areas. Notice how the shrubs serve as a buffer to our northern neighbor and as camouflage for the storage area.
- 2. Our turf area in the backyard is located in the landscape's lowest spot, which is where there is plenty of naturally occurring moisture. Alternatives to grass include mulched walkways, a deck or a screened patio. These additions don't need water and reduce landscape maintenance chores.

- 3. More drought-tolerant groundcovers and shrubs hug the back of our **practical turf area**. These plants give privacy to our patio and deck while providing shade, and they are water-efficient.
- 4. Native vegetation, including drought-tolerant shrubbery, is used in the side yard. This further reduces watering and maintenance.
- 5. Our practical turf area in the front yard, like that in the back, is round in shape to reduce its perimeter, making it easier to irrigate and maintain. Long, narrow strips of grass are hard to irrigate efficiently. A brick walkway, border grass and a mulched flower bed further reduce watering and edging chores and add colorful accents.



The Plant Lists

The plant lists, a common name/scientific name plant cross-reference and an index that follow were put together with the general gardener in mind. Readers who want more detailed or expanded information may refer to one of the references listed at the end of this guide.

The plants listed in this guide are recommended by the water management districts because they are either Florida natives or are Florida-friendly. The focus was to list plants that fit the waterwise theme — those meeting site requirements and needing little water, fertilizer, maintenance or other special care once they are established in a landscape. This list was not intended to be all-inclusive.

While some plants may be found and will survive in areas other than those indicated in the matrixes that follow, they require additional care and maintenance to ensure their survival. The hardiness zones listed are the areas in which the plant is most commonly found. The growth rates, soil moisture and light requirements listed are also the most common.





TREES						
	-	Florida Hardiness	Soil Moisture	Light	Mature Size	Growth
Common Name	Scientific Name	Range	Range*	Range*	(feet)**	Rate
Acacia, sweet	Acacia farnesiana	8b-11	○ - ••	-	15x20	
Allspice	Pimenta dioica	10b-11	••		40	
Ash, green	Fraxinus pennsylvanica	8a–8b	****		30x75	IIIII
Ash, pop	Fraxinus caroliniana	8a–10a	***	<u>*</u>	20x40	IIIII
Atemoya	Annona x 'Atemoya'	10a-10b	♦ - • • •	*	30	
Avocado	Persea americana	10a-11	••		20–60	IIIII
Banana, Cavendish	Musa acuminata 'Cavendish'	10b-11	••		5–7	IIII
Bangar nut	Sterculia foetida	10a-11	••		75	
Basswood	Tilia americana var. caroliniana	8a–9b	••	- <u>*</u>	35x80	
Beech, American	Fagus grandifolia	8a–8b	••		60x90	
Big leaf snowbell	Styrax grandifolia	8a-9a	♦♦ − ◊	* *	18x10	1 0000
Birch, river	Betula nigra	8a–9a	♦♦ − ◊	- _	25x50	IIIII
Bird-of-paradise tree	Strelitzia nicolai	9a-11	••	*	20	IIIII
Black olive	Bucida buceras	10a-11	٥	- _	30x45	
Black sapote or chocolate pudding fruit	Diospyros digyna	10a-11	••	-	25	IIII
Blackgum or swamp tupelo	Nyssa biflora	8a–9a	*** - **	* *	80	
Blolly	Guapira discolor	9b-11	••		30x40	
Bradford pear	Pyrus calleryana	8a–9a	♦ - ♦ •	- _	20x30	IIIII
Buckthorn, Carolina	Rhamnus caroliniana	8a-9b	••		20x25	
Bulnesia	Bulnesia arborea	10b-11	♦♦ − ◊	- _	20x30	
Buttonwood	Conocarpus erectus	9b-11	♦♦- ♦♦♦♦- ◊		15–25	
Carambola	Averrhoa carambola	10b-11	••	*	25	IIIII
Catalpa or Indian cigar	Catalpa bignonioides	8b-9b	••	<u>~</u>	35x40	IIII
Cedar, red or southern red	Juniperus virginiana (= J. silicicola)	8a-9b	♦ - ••	- \	25x60	Ш
Cherry laurel	Prunus caroliniana	8a-9b	••	<u> </u>	35	
Chinquapin	Castanea pumila	8a-9a	♦♦ − ◊	<u>*</u>	15x40	
Colville's glory	Colvillea racemosa	10a-11	••		45	
Copperpod	Peltophorum pterocarpum	10a-11	♦ - • • •	- <u>*</u> -	25x50	IIII
Crabapple, southern	Malus angustifolia	8a-8b	•• - ◊	<u>*</u>	20–30	
Crabwood	Gymnanthes lucida	10a-11	○ - ♦ ♦		20	
Crape myrtle	Lagerstroemia indica	8a-11	♦♦ - ◊		15x25	
Cuban tamarind	Lysiloma sabicu	10b-11	♦♦ − ◊	* *	25x50	
Custard apple	Annona reticulata	10a	••		40x15	
Cypress, bald	Taxodium distichum	8a-11	*** - **	* *	25x80	

LIGHT — Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 🥿 Shade

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SOIL MOISTURE O Dry 66 Moist

Comments

Small thorny, bushy tree; fragrant flowers; subject to wind damage, will suffer frost damage; likes sandy to clay soil; evergreen; salt-tolerant; native

Beautiful small tree with exfoliating bark; source of allspice; evergreen; low salt

Deciduous; medium salt; native

Crooked, multi-trunked tree; deciduous; low salt; usually subcanopy or understory; native

Hybrid; likes well-drained, alkaline soil; evergreen; medium salt

Easily cold-damaged; Brogdon is a hardier variety; many varieties available; evergreen; medium salt

Needs heavy mulching; spectacularly large flowers; will die back with freeze; low salt

Stinky flowers; deciduous; low salt

Leaves similar to mulberry without lobes; likes acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; native

Smooth bark; large, full tree; likes acidic soil; deciduous; wildlife value; native

Deciduous; multi-stemmed shrub or small tree; alternate obovate leaves; showy fragrant white flowers borne in spring; medium salt tolerance; native

Attractive peeling bark; likes acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; native

Banana-like leaves easily tattered by wind; purple or white flowers; suckers will form large clump; likes acidic soil; low salt

Drops leaves and seeds that can stain surfaces; subject to freeze damage; evergreen; high salt

Can't tolerate drought; evergreen; low salt

Dark blue fruit in pairs on stalk; likes acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; wildlife food; native

Drought-tolerant; smooth gray bark, attractive leaves, purple fruit; wildlife food; evergreen; high salt; native

White spring flowers, colorful fall foliage; lives about 30 years; evergreen; high salt

Fleshy red fruit; native

Beautiful flowering tropical tree; pot-bound plants produce weak-rooted trees; evergreen; high salt

Good seaside plant; silver- and green-leaved varieties widely grown; high salt; evergreen; native

Edible orange star-shaped fruits produced year-round; can't tolerate flooding; evergreen; low salt

Large, velvet, heart-shaped leaves; abundant clusters of slightly fragrant bell-shaped flowers, white with orange stripes and purple spots; fruit, 6- to 12-inch capsules; deciduous; low salt; native

Adaptable; long-lived; planting near hawthorns may cause cedar apple rust disease; dense evergreen foliage; high salt; wildlife value; native

Messy tree, suckers from root; does better in moist, well-drained soil; poisonous to livestock; hardy to 10°F; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Spiny fruit with sweet edible nut; white spiked blooms on males; likes dry, alkaline soil; deciduous; moderate salt; native

Beautiful orange-red late fall flowers; deciduous; low salt

Shallow-rooted large tree, easily blown over; likes well-drained soil; deciduous; high salt

Shrub or small thorny tree; fragrant pink spring flowers; sour fruit; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

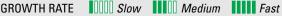
Small, densely branched; not readily available; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Attractive bark, showy summer flowers; don't prune branches larger than 1/2-inch diameter; deciduous; moderate salt

Deciduous; high salt

Selected varieties available; deciduous; low salt

Branchlets turn brown in fall and winter; knees can emerge aboveground in root zone; deciduous; high salt; native





TREES Florida Soil Mature						
Common Name	Scientific Name	Hardiness Range	Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Size (feet)**	Growth Rate
Cypress, pond	Taxodium ascendens	8a-11	***	<u></u>	15x75	III 00
Dawn redwood	Metasequoia glyptostroboides	8a	66 – 666	- _	20x90	IIIII
Dogwood, flowering	Cornus florida	8a-9a	♦♦ − ◊	<i>△ ×</i>	20–25	1 0000
Dogwood, Japanese	Cornus kousa	8a	••	*	20x25	
Dragon tree	Dracaena draco	10a	◊ - ••		45	1 0000
Eggfruit, Canistel	Pouteria campechiana	10b-11	••	- _	20	
Elm, American	Ulmus americana	8a-9b	◊ - ••	<u>*</u>	50x90	IIIII
Elm, Chinese	Ulmus parvifolia	8a–10a	○ - ♦♦	*	35x65	IIIII
Elm, winged	Ulmus alata	8a–9a	** - ***	<u>*</u>	5x40	
Fiddlewood	Citharexylum spinosum (= C. fruticosum)	9b-11	○ - ♦♦	*	10x35	IIIII
Fig, edible	Ficus carica	8a-10b	••		12	IIIII
Firewheel tree	Stenocarpus sinuatus	10a-11	♦♦ − ◊	*	25x60	
Florida soapberry	Sapindus marginatus	8a-9b	••		25x50	
Floss-silk tree	Chorisia speciosa	10a-11	♦♦ − ◊	- _	45	IIIII
Frangipani	Plumeria spp.	10b-11	٥	* *	15x25	1 0000
Fringe tree or granny graybeard	Chionanthus virginicus	8a–9a	♦♦ − ◊	*	10x25	
Geiger tree	Cordia sebestena	10b-11	◊ - ♦♦	<u></u>	15x25	
Golden shower	Cassia fistula	10a-11	٥	- _	25x50	IIIII
Grapefruit	Citrus x paradisi	9a-11	••		20	IIII
Gumbo limbo	Bursera simaruba	10a-11	♦♦ − ◊	<u>*</u>	35x60	IIIII
Hercules'-club or toothache tree	Zanthoxylum clava-herculis	8a–10b	♦♦ - ◊	* *	15x45	
Hickory, mockernut	Carya alba (= C. tomentosa)	8a-9b	○ - ♦♦	* *	35x60	
Hickory, pignut	Carya glabra	8a–9a	♦♦ − ◊		25x75	IIII
Hickory, scrub	Carya floridana	9a-10a	٥		25	
Holly, American	llex opaca	8a-9b	Ò- ♦ ♦	<u></u>	15x45	
Holly, Carolina or sand	llex ambigua	8a-9b	♦♦ − ◊	*	15	
Holly, dahoon	llex cassine	8a–10b	66 – 666	<u>*</u>	10x50	
Holly, East Palatka	llex x attenuata 'East Palatka'	8a-9b	○ - ••	* *	10x30	
Holly, myrtle-leaved	llex myrtifolia	8a–9a	66 – 666	<u></u>	10x25	
Holly, weeping yaupon	llex vomitoria 'Pendula'	8a–10b	♦♦ − ◊		20x8	
Holly, yaupon	llex vomitoria	8a-9b	Ò − ♦♦♦ ♦	△	15x20	1 0000
Hong Kong orchid tree	Bauhinia x blakeana	9b-11	○ - ♦♦	<u></u>	15x40	IIIII

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Ostrya virginiana

Hop hornbeam

LIGHT — Full Sun — Partial Sun — Shade

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Comments

Branchlets turn brown in fall and winter; knees can emerge aboveground in root zone; deciduous; high salt; native

Evergreen; low salt

Best in rich soils, likes acidic to neutral soils; deciduous; low salt; native

Deciduous; moderate salt

Tree-like agave; lance-shaped foliage, red sap; evergreen; high salt

Sweet-tasting yellow fruit; requires minimal care; evergreen; high salt

Vase-shaped; semi-evergreen; low salt; native

Weeping growth habit; cold-hardy, but foliage drops at 25°F; likes fertile, moist conditions; semi-evergreen; low salt

Small with oval crown; interesting corky, winged bark; deciduous; low salt; native

Small fragrant flowers, spring through autumn; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Tolerant of widely varying soils; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt

Attractive glossy leaves; columnar growth habit; evergreen; low salt

Small tree or shrub; tolerates alkalinity; deciduous; high salt; native

Spiny green trunk, spectacular flowers; deciduous; high salt

White, yellow or orange sweet-smelling flowers in spring, summer and fall; evergreen; moderate salt

Showy white, wispy flowers; drought-tolerant; likes acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; wildlife food; native

Round crown, showy orange blossoms; attracts caterpillars; likes sandy soil; evergreen; high salt

Very attractive, showy flower; deciduous; moderate salt

Edible fruit; likes acidic soil; needs good mulching; swallowtail butterfly host plant; evergreen; low salt

Large branches will root directly; attractive copper and green peeling bark; easily freeze-damaged; deciduous; high salt; native

Round crown, interesting compound leaves, tall clusters of greenish flowers; thorny; deciduous; wildlife value; high salt; native

Yellow autumn leaves; deciduous; low salt; native

Likes sandy and clay soils; deciduous; low salt; native

Rarely cultivated; likes sandy soil; deciduous; low salt; native

Very spiny, stiff leaves; gray to white bark; prefers acidic soil; male and female plants; wildlife value, evergreen; moderate salt

Shrubby; bright-red 1/3-inch fruits; male and female plants; tolerant of varying conditions and sites; evergreen; native

Red berries; male and female plants; grows in boggy sites; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Red berries; cross between American and dahoon hollies; male and female plants; prefers acidic soil; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Shrubby; small narrow leaves, 1/4-inch fruits; male and female plants; evergreen; wildlife food; moderate salt; native

Small tree, weeping form; white spring flowers; dark red-black or yellow berries in fall; male and female plants; low salt; native

Small, bushy, with many branches; red fruits, small leaves; male and female plants; evergreen; high salt; native

Large attractive flowers; semi-evergreen; moderate salt

Common to woodlands with good drainage; shreddy bark; deciduous; low salt; wildlife value; native

GROWTH RATE Slow Medium Fast

* Soil moisture and light listed in order of plant preference

** Mature size = width x height

TREES						
		Florida Hardiness	Soil Moisture	Light	Mature Size	Growth
Common Name	Scientific Name	Range	Range*	Range*	(feet)**	Rate
Hornbeam, American, or ironwood or bluebeach or musclewood	Carpinus caroliniana	8a–9a	**-***	<i>←</i> *	15x50	1 0000
Jaboticaba	Myrciaria cauliflora	10b-11	••	* *	15x25	1 0000
Jacaranda	Jacaranda acutifolia	9b-11	♦♦ − ◊		40x50	IIII
Jamaican dogwood	Piscidia piscipula	10b-11	○ - ••	* *	25x45	Ш
Jerusalem thorn	Parkinsonia aculeata	8b-11	٥		15x25	IIII
Joewood	Jacquinia keyensis	10a-11	٥	* *	6x15	
Key lime	Citrus aurantifolia	10b-11	٥		10–15	
Lancewood	Ocotea coriacea	10a-11	○ - ••	* ~	25	
Lemon	Citrus limon	9a-11	••		15	
Lignum vitae	Guajacum sanctum	10b-11	♦♦♦♦ − ◊	*	20x30	1 0000
Loblolly bay	Gordonia lasianthus	8a-9b	***	<u>*</u>	15x75	
Loquat	Eriobotrya japonica	8b-11	♦♦ − ◊		25–30	
Lychee	Litchi chinensis	10a-11	••		35	
Madagascar olive	Noronhia emarginata	10b-11	٥	- \	15x25	
Magnolia, southern or bullbay	Magnolia grandiflora	8a-10a	♦♦ - ◊	* ~	35x80	11 00
Mahogany	Swietenia mahagoni	10a-11	♦♦ − ◊	* *	35x50	IIIII
Mango	Mangifera indica	10b-11	♦♦ − ◊		60	
Mangrove, black	Avicennia germinans	9b-11	***	- \	25	
Mangrove, red	Rhizophora mangle	9b-11	***		15x40	
Mangrove, white	Laguncularia racemosa	9b-11	***		30	
Maple, Florida sugar	Acer saccharum subsp. floridanum	8a-9a	** - ***	* *	15x30	IIII
Maple, red	Acer rubrum	8a-10a	♦♦♦♦ − ♦	* *	30x60	Ш
Mastic	Sideroxylon foetidissimum (= Mastichodendron foetidissimum)	9b-11	◊ - ••		25x60	11 00
May haw	Crataegus aestivalis	8a–9a	*** - **	*	15x15	
Mimusops	Manilkara roxburghiana	10a-11	◊ - ♦♦		30x20	
Mulberry, red	Morus rubra	8a-10a	••	<u></u>	30x70	Ш
Oak, bluejack	Quercus incana	8a-9b	٥		20x40	1 0000
Oak, Chapman	Quercus chapmanii	9a-10a	٥	-	20	
Oak, diamond leaf	Quercus laurifolia	8a-10b	66 - 666	- \	45x80	IIIII
Oak, laurel	Quercus hemisphaerica	8a-10a	○ - ♦ ♦	* *	40x80	
Oak, live	Quercus virginiana	8a-11	◊ - ♦♦		40x60	
Oak, myrtle	Quercus myrtifolia	8a–10a	٥		15x35	0000

LIGHT

🔆 Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 솓 Shade

•••• Wet

SOIL MOISTURE \(\rightarrow \textit{Dry} \) \(\limin \textit{Moist} \)

Comments

Yellow to red fall color; smooth, slate-gray bark; deciduous; low salt; native

Large shrub size; attractive bark, delicious fruit; likes moist but well-drained soil; evergreen; low salt

Fragrant lavender flowers in spring and summer; young trees damaged at 25°F, older trees slightly more tolerant of cold; prefers loose, sandy soil; deciduous; low salt

Bluish-purple flowers; deciduous; high salt; native

Open-growth habit; small, spiny; young trees damaged at 18°F, older trees slightly more cold-tolerant; gets root rot on wet soil; prefers sandy soil; deciduous; high salt

Round, compact; wonderfully fragrant flowers; blue-gray bark; tolerant of dry soil; evergreen; high salt; native

Edible but very acidic fruit; swallowtail butterfly host plant; evergreen; medium salt; wildlife value

Small; evergreen; low salt; native

Edible but very acidic fruit; swallowtail butterfly host plant; don't mulch around base; evergreen; medium salt; wildlife value

Drought-tolerant, but responds well to moist conditions; blue flowers, attractive foliage; gnarled, white bark; evergreen; high salt; native

Attractive white flower; good for wet areas; evergreen; low salt; native

Edible orange fruit may become infested with Caribbean fruit fly; evergreen; high salt

Beautiful shade tree with delicious fruit; prefers somewhat acidic soil; evergreen; low salt

Excellent small tree for coastal areas; evergreen; high salt

Hardy; large glossy leaves, often with fuzzy brown undersides; large showy white flowers, red 4-inch seed cones; drought-tolerant; evergreen; wildlife value; moderate salt; native

Mahogany webworm often defoliates tree briefly; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Many varieties available; excellent fruit; butterfly host plant; touching or eating fruit may case allergic reaction; prefers sandy soil; evergreen; medium salt

Grows in warm brackish water; legal restrictions on pruning; evergreen; salt-tolerant; native

Unusual fruit, grows in warm brackish water, stilt-like roots; legal restrictions on pruning; evergreen; salt tolerant; native

Grows in warm brackish water; legal restrictions on pruning; evergreen; salt-tolerant; native

Squarish lobed leaves turn gold in fall; bell-shaped flowers; deciduous; low salt; native

Excellent fall color; red to brown male flowers, red to green to brown winged fruit on female; likes moist to wet soil, tolerates acidic soil; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Female trees have messy fruit; wildlife food; evergreen; high salt; native

Edible fruit; highly disease-resistant; spreading, dense symmetrical crown; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Good for coastal landscapes; evergreen; high salt

Edible berries stain; large showy leaves; may be damaged by freezes; deciduous; wildlife value; moderate salt; native

Grayish leaves; likes sandy soil; deciduous; low salt; native

Shrubby; likes sandy soil; deciduous; moderate salt; native

Fast-growing, well-shaped; messy; semi-evergreen; low salt; native

Round crown; dislikes alkaline soil; small and short-lived; semi-evergreen; low salt; native

Wind-resistant; long-lived; when mature, often wider than tall; hardy to 0°F; evergreen; wildlife value; high salt; native

Good for dry, sandy sites; shrubby; evergreen; moderate salt; native

GROWTH RATE



* Soil moisture and light listed in order of plant preference

** Mature size = width x height

TREES

Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness Range	Soil Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Mature Size (feet)**	Growth Rate
Oak, overcup	Quercus lyrata	8a–8b	66 - 666		35x70	
Oak, sand live	Quercus geminata	8a-10b	0	* *	20x40	
Oak, Shumard	Quercus shumardii	8a–9a	♦♦ − ◊	* <u>*</u>	25x80	
Oak, swamp chestnut	Quercus michauxii	8a–9a	••	* *	35x80	
Oak, turkey	Quercus laevis	8a-9b	◊ - ••		20x50	
Oak, water	Quercus nigra	8a–9a	** - ***		50x80	IIIII
Oak, white	Quercus alba	8a–8b	••	- 	50x70	1 0000
Oak, willow	Quercus phellos	8a–8b	66 – 666	→ <u></u>	35x75	
Orange, sweet	Citrus sinensis	9b-11	••		15	
Osage orange	Maclura pomifera	8a–9a	٥	- 	25x50	IIII
Paradise tree	Simarouba glauca	9b-11	••	- <u>*</u> -	35	
Peach	Prunus persica	8a-8b	••		12–20	
Pear, Hood	Pyrus communis 'Hood'	8a-9a	♦♦ - ◊		20	IIII
Pecan	Carya illinoinensis	8a-9b	٥		50	
Persimmon, common	Diospyros virginiana	8a-10	Ò − ♦ ♦	<u>*</u>	15x50	
Persimmon, Japanese	Diospyros kaki	8a-10b	••		25	
Pigeon plum	Coccoloba diversifolia	10a-11	♦ - ♦ •	<u>*</u> ~	15x30	IIIII
Pine, loblolly	Pinus taeda	8a-9b	♦♦♦♦ − ◊	- \	25x100	Ш
Pine, long-leaf	Pinus palustris	8a-10a	Ó – 🍑		35x90	1 0000
Pine, sand	Pinus clausa	8a-10a	٥	<u>*</u>	25x30	
Pine, slash	Pinus elliottii	8a-10a	Ó – 🍑		25x120	IIIII
Pine, South Florida slash	Pinus elliottii var. densa	8b-9b	◊ - ♦ ♦	-	25×100	Ш
Pine, spruce	Pinus glabra	8a-8b	** - ***		25x75	IIIII
Pink-and-white shower	Cassia javanica	10a-11	٥	- × -	25x40	Ш
Pitch apple	Clusia rosea	10a-11	♦♦ − ◊	<u>*</u> ~	15x25	10000
Plum, Chickasaw	Prunus angustifolia	8a-9a	••	*	15x25	
Plum, flatwoods	Prunus umbellata	9a-9b	••	*	10x25	
Pond-apple	Annona glabra	10a-11	**** - **		15x30	
Red buckeye	Aesculus pavia	8a-9a	** - ***	*	15–25	
Red stopper	Eugenia rhombea	9b-11	♦ - ♦ •	*	10x20	
Redbay	Persea borbonia	8a-11	♦♦ - ◊	<u>*</u>	35x50	
Redberry stopper	Eugenia confusa	10a-11	♦ - ♦ •	*	10x30	
Redbud	Cercis canadensis	8a-9b	♦♦ − ◊	* ~	15x25	
Royal poinciana	Delonix regia	10a-11	٥		50x50	Ш
Sassafras	Sassafras albidum	8a–9a	٥	<u>*</u>	20x45	

SOIL MOISTURE O Dry ♦ Moist •••• Wet LIGHT — Full Sun — Partial Sun — Shade

Comments

Likes acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; native

Likes sandy soil; evergreen; wildlife value; high salt; native

Handsome lobed leaves turn bright red in fall; does well in sandy or acidic soil; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Can grow to 100 feet; large acorns, 1-1.5 inches; tolerates brief floods; prefers moist woodland soil; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Brilliant scarlet leaves in fall; does well in dry, sandy soil; deciduous; moderate salt; native

Smooth, slightly furrowed bark; straight trunk; prefers moist sites, but can survive dry periods; semi-evergreen; low salt; native

Well-drained acidic soil; bird food; deciduous; low salt; native

Willow-like linear leaves; wildlife food; deciduous; high salt; native

Needs to be grafted for best fruit; swallowtail butterfly host plant; needs fertile soil; evergreen; low salt

Nice ornamental with edible fruit; deciduous; moderate salt

New red foliage, attractive compound leaves, yellow spring flowers; wildlife food; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Some varieties available for central and north Florida; needs cold; poisonous parts; vulnerable to pests; prefers well-drained soil; deciduous; low salt

Needs rich, well-drained soil; prefers pH 5.0 to 7.0; deciduous; low salt

Prefers well-drained soil; deciduous; low salt

Edible fruit; grows best in central and north Florida; male and female plants; deciduous; low salt; native

Many varieties available; only female produces fruit; deciduous; medium salt

Attractive bark, variable leaf shape and size, edible purple fruit, white spring flowers; evergreen; high salt; native

Prefers moist areas; evergreen; low salt; native

Slow-growing; long needles, very large cones; prefers sandy, dry sites; evergreen; low salt; native

Smaller pine; short needles, small cones; prefers well-drained, sandy sites; evergreen; high salt; native

Intolerant of root compaction or grade changes; needs little fertilizing; prefers acidic sandy soil; tolerant of flooding; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Intolerant of grade changes, traffic above root system; needs little or no fertilizing; prefers acidic, sandy soil; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Long, narrow crown; tiny cones, dark gray bark; does poorly in south Florida; evergreen; low salt; native

Very showy blooms; deciduous; moderate salt

Leathery, tough leaves, showy pink and white spring flowers; evergreen; high salt; native

Very early bloomer with fragrant white flowers; edible sweet yellow fruit; suckering or thicket-forming; deciduous; high salt; native

Dense showy clusters of white flowers bloom before leaves appear; crooked trunk; edible sour purple fruit; deciduous; low salt; native

Dense, upturned branches, apple-shaped fall fruits; prefers wet or swampy sites; deciduous; moderate salt; native

Seeds poisonous; red flowers attract hummingbirds; wildlife value; deciduous; low salt; native

Endangered; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Fragrant leaves, good in cooking, lower leaf surface grayish white; prefers sandy, acidic sites; evergreen; wildlife value; high salt; native

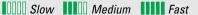
Evergreen; high salt; native

Purple spring flowers, heart-shaped leaves; deciduous; low salt; native

Large spreading tree, brilliant flowers; messy; subject to freeze damage; deciduous; moderate salt

Different-shaped leaves; bark smells like root beer; popular tea made from leaves; deciduous; low salt; native

GROWTH RATE



* Soil moisture and light listed in order of plant preference

** Mature size = width x height

Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness Range	Soil Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Mature Size (feet)**	Growth Rate
Satinleaf	Chrysophyllum oliviforme	10b-11	♦♦ - ◊		15x40	1 0000
Seagrape	Coccoloba uvifera	9b-11	♦ - ♦ •	<u>*</u>	25x30	
Silkbay	Persea humilis	9a-9b	٥		30	1 0000
Sourgum	Nyssa sylvatica	8a–9a	♦♦ − ◊	<u></u>	80	
Soursop or guanabana	Annona muricata	10b-11	••		15x25	
Sourwood	Oxydendrum arboreum	8a-8b	♦♦ − ◊	2	15x50	
Spanish stopper	Eugenia foetida	9b-11	○ - ♦♦♦	<u> </u>	10x15	
Spiny black olive	Bucida spinosa	10b-11	♦♦ − ◊	*	15x25	1 0000
Star-apple	Chrysophyllum cainito	10a-11	٥		50	
Sugarberry or hackberry	Celtis laevigata	8a-10b	••	<u>*</u>	35x70	
Summer haw	Crataegus flava	9a-9b	••	* *	15	1 0000
Swampbay	Persea palustris	8a-10b	** - ***	<u>*</u>	50	
Sweetbay	Magnolia virginiana	8a-9b	**** - **	<u>*</u> *	60x90	
Sweetgum	Liquidambar styraciflua	8a-9b	♦♦-♦♦♦ -◊	<u>*</u> *	80	Ш
Sycamore	Platanus occidentalis	8a-9a	••		70×100	IIIII
Tamarind	Tamarindus indica	10a-11	••		50x65	
Tangelo	Citrus x tangelo	9a-11	••		15	
Tangerine	Citrus reticulata	9b-11	••		15	
Trumpet tree, Caribbean	Tabebuia spp.	10a-11	••		10x25	
Tulip tree	Liriodendron tulipifera	8a–9a	••		35x90	Ш
Tulip tree, African	Spathodea campanulata	10b-11	♦♦ − ◊		50	Ш
Tupelo, water	Nyssa aquatica	8a–8b	*** - **		25x100	1 0000
Velvet-apple, Mabolo	Diospyros discolor	10a-11	••		40	
Viburnum, blackhaw or rusty blackhaw	Viburnum rufidulum	8a-9a	•• - ◊	* *	15x20	Ш
White sapote	Casimiroa edulis	10a-11	٥		40	
Wild dilly	Manilkara bahamensis	10a-11	♦ - ••		25	0000
Wild lime	Zanthoxylum fagara	9b-11	♦♦ − ◊	* *	15x25	IIIII
Wild tamarind	Lysiloma latisiliqua	10b-11	♦♦ − ◊	<u>*</u>	25x50	
Willow, weeping	Salix babylonica	8a-9b	**** - **		40x50	IIIII
Ylang-ylang	Cananga odorata	10a-11	٥		25x40	IIIII
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SOIL MOISTURE O Dry Moist

•••• Wet

LIGHT — Full Sun — Partial Sun — Shade





Tulip tree Liriodendron tulipifera

> **Sweetbay** Magnolia virginiana



Comments

Dark, glossy green leaves with bronzy fuzz on bottom side; subject to freeze damage; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Edible fruits used for jelly; broad, spreading seaside plant; dinner plate-sized leaves; subject to freeze damage; evergreen; wildlife value; high salt; native

Black bark; leaves rusty and shiny underneath; likes sandy soil; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Likes acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; native

Grows in warmest parts of Florida; spiny edible fruit; evergreen; moderate salt

Fragrant white bell-shaped flowers in spring and summer; gray bark has touch of red; good fall color; deciduous; moderate salt; native

Mildly fragrant flowers; evergreen; high salt; native

A small, spiny cousin of the black olive; evergreen; wildlife value; moderate salt; native

No serious pests; leaves golden underneath; star-shaped edible fruit; evergreen; low salt

Best for central and north Florida; fruits; wildlife value; deciduous; low salt; native

Fragrant flowers; fruits used for jams and jellies; deciduous; wildlife value; native

Hairy underleaf; leaves frequently have insect galls which cause no harm; likes moist areas; evergreen; high salt; native

Tall cylinder shape; white summer flowers; evergreen; low salt; native

Pyramidal shape; attractive fall color; spiny brown seeds, star-shaped leaves; fast-growing; does well in sandy or acidic soil; wildlife value; deciduous; low salt; native

Large leaves can be a problem in fall; exfoliating bark; tolerates wet and dry conditions; deciduous; moderate salt; native

Edible fruit; extremely wind-resistant; evergreen; moderate salt

Edible fruit; swallowtail butterfly host plant; evergreen; low salt; native

Edible fruit; swallowtail butterfly host plant; evergreen; low salt

Asymmetrical growth habit; corky bark, spectacular yellow spring flowers; deciduous; moderate salt

Fragrant yellow flowers; oval crown; needs rich soil; long-lived; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Low-maintenance, messy tree; orange and yellow flowers during winter and spring; evergreen; medium salt

Blue to purple fruit on long stalks; likes moist to wet sites; deciduous; wildlife value; moderate salt; native

Brown, fleshy, edible fruit; no serious pests; evergreen; low salt

Shrub or small tree with irregular crown; white flowers in flat-topped clusters; purple fruits; reddish underleaf and buds; semi-evergreen; low salt; wildlife value; native

Five palmately arranged leaflets; large edible fruit; prefers acidic soil; evergreen; medium salt

Small tree or shrub; drooping clusters of yellow flowers; evergreen; high salt; native

Recurved thorns, lime-scented foliage; larval food plant for giant swallowtail butterfly; suffers from freeze damage; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt; native

Small weeping tree; deciduous; high salt; native

Aggressive roots — avoid sewer and water lines; drooping branches; deciduous; low salt

Very fragrant flowers used in perfume; open-growth habit; evergreen; low salt

GROWTH RATE

Slow Medium Fast

* Soil moisture and light listed in order of plant preference

** Mature size = width x height



Maple, Florida sugar Acer saccharum subsp. floridanum

> Catalpa Catalpa bignonioides



TREES





Cypress, pond Taxodium ascendens



Plum, flatwoods Prunus umbellata



Jerusalem thorn Parkinsonia aculeata



Fiddlewood Citharexylum spinosum





Cypress, bald
Taxodium distichum





Paradise tree Simarouba glauca





PALM-LIKE **Florida** Soil Mature **Hardiness** Moisture Light Size Growth **Common Name Scientific Name** Range Range* Range* (feet) Rate 44 40 Alexandra palm Archontophoenix alexandrae 10b-11 2 Bamboo palm Chamadorea microspadix 8a-10b **♦ ♦ ♦** 4x3 **▲♦ - △** Bismarck palm Bismarckia nobilis 10a-11 60 Sabal minor 8a-10b 6 Bluestem palmetto 0 - •• 10b-11 0 - 66 10 Buccaneer palm Pseudophoenix sargentii 0-6666 40 Cabbage palm or sabal palm Sabal palmetto 8a-11 **♦ ♦** Canary Island date palm Phoenix canariensis 9a-11 40 Cardboard palm Zamia furfuracea 10a-11 0 -4 5 Cat palm Chamaedorea cataractarum 10b-11 25 Chinese fan palm Livistona chinensis 9a-11 Cliff date palm Phoenix rupicola 10a-11 **∆** – **♦** 25 Clustering fishtail palm Caryota mitis 10a-11 **▲▲ - △** 18 Coconut palm Cocos nucifera 10b-11 0 -60 ٥ Cycad, Dioon or Mexican sago Dioon edule 8b-11 10 0-European fan palm Chamaerops humilis 8a-11 10 Florida royal palm Roystonea regia 10a-11 44 80 10b-11 44 30 Hurricane palm Dictyosperma album 9a •• 10 Lady palm or rhapis Rhapis excelsa 8 Licuala palm 10b-11 Licuala grandis --Macarthur palm Ptychosperma macarthurii 10b-11 25 Needle palm Rhapidophyllum hystrix 8a-10b 10 Paurotis palm Acoelorrhaphe wrightii 9b-11 20 Butia capitata 8a-10b **♦♦** − ◊ 15 Pindo palm or jelly palm **∆** - **♦** --Ponytail palm Nolina recurvata 10a-11 10 44 40 Ш Queen palm Syagrus romanzoffiana 9a-11 0 - 6 -_ 10 8b-11 Sago, king, or sago-palm Cycas revoluta Cycas rumphii 9b-11 0 - 66 15 Sago, queen 0-000 20 Saw palmetto Serenoa repens 8a-11 0 8a-10b 10 Scrub palmetto Sabal etonia 0-Silver palm Coccothrinax argentata 10b-11 10 0 Spanish bayonet Yucca aloifolia 8a-11 15 Thatch palm, Florida Thrinax radiata 10a-11 ٥ 20 ٥ Thatch palm, Key Thrinax morrisii 10a-11 20 **♦♦** − ◊ Triangle palm Neodypsis decaryi 10b-11 25

LIGHT

Full Sun

Shade

Partial Sun

•••• Wet

♦ Moist

SOIL MOISTURE \(\rightarrow Dry \)

Also called king palm; new leaves may be bronze; doesn't transplant well; low salt

Cold-hardy throughout Florida; best grown in shade; clump-forming similar to other bamboo palms; low salt

Massive fan palm with large silver-blue leaves; slow to form trunk, moderate growth after trunk development; likes sandy soil; moderate salt

Shade-tolerant; widely adaptable to most soils; underground stem; moderate salt; native

Also called cherry palm; bright red fruit; very slow-growing; endangered; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

State tree; very wind-resistant; fronds removed when transplanted; wildlife value; high salt; native

Sharp spines; large; overwatering causes fungal disease; if stressed, invaded by palmetto weevil; susceptible to lethal yellowing; magnesium deficiencies common; heavily damaged at 20°F; moderate salt

Sturdy, slightly fuzzy stiff leaves; red seeds in female plants are poisonous; suffers heavy freeze damage

Moderate drought tolerance in shade; virtually trunkless; clumping palm; likes sandy soil; low salt

Long leaftip segments droop gracefully; spiny; slightly susceptible to lethal yellowing; potassium deficiencies; survives 20°F with some leaf damage; other Livistona species available

Graceful, moderately sized palm; bright-green arching pinnate leaves; spiny; moderate salt

Stems die after fruiting, are replaced by suckers; fruit contains irritating crystals; susceptible to lethal yellowing; spider mites are a problem; low salt

"Malayan" and "Maypan" are only lethal-yellowing-resistant varieties; high salt

Sharp, stiff, shiny dark-green leaflets; long-lived; very slow-growing; trunk forms after many years; needs good drainage; low salt

Cold-tolerant to 12°F; spiny; much variation in leaf color; moderate salt

Grows tall; has uniform trunk diameter; tolerant of wet conditions; moderate salt; native

Also called princess palm; moderately susceptible to lethal yellowing; drying winds can burn foliage; likes sandy soil; moderate salt

Palmate leaves yellow in sun; forms dense clusters; manganese deficiency on alkaline soil; moderate salt

Small; unique corrugated, circular leaves need protection from drying winds; likes wet, sandy soils; low salt

A slender, multiple-trunked palm; small leaves and thin trunk; lethal-yellowing-resistant; low salt

Short trunk; fiber-matted crown with sharp needle-like fibers; moderate salt

Spiny, multi-trunked; manganese deficiency in alkaline soil; moderate salt; native

Stiff, blue-green pinnate leaves; cold-hardy to 15°F; does best in central and north Florida; moderate salt

Tree-like agave; large swollen base; branching with age; micro-nutrient deficiencies are common; evergreen; low salt

Freezes back but returns in north regions; large, messy fruits; weak-rooted; poor wind resistance; prefers acidic soil or manganese deficiency develops; low salt

Stiff, dark-green foliage; prone to magnesium deficiency; cold-tolerant to 10°F; small, confined root system; needs good drainage; low salt

Upright soft, fern-like leaves; forms visible trunk; cold-tolerant to 28°F; susceptible to scale; needs good drainage; moderate salt

Very adaptable; striking silver-blue form available; berries; excellent drought tolerance; difficult to transplant; wildlife value; high salt; native

Occurs only on Florida peninsula, on dry sandy soil; moderate salt; native

Dark fruit, palmate leaves with striking silver undersides; endangered; likes sandy soil; wildlife value; high salt; native

Often planted to deter unwanted foot traffic; sharp-tipped leaves, edible flowers; good drought tolerance; needs good drainage; likes sandy soil; high salt

Tolerant of high alkalinity; does best in full sun; high salt; native

Tolerant of high alkalinity and coastal conditions; slow-growing; leaves silvery underneath; endangered in Florida; high salt; native

Blue-green leaves uniquely arranged in three planes; low salt

PALM-LIKE

		Florida	Soil		Mature		
Common Name	Scientific Name	Hardiness Range	Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Size (feet)	Growth Rate	
Washington palm	Washingtonia robusta	8b-11	○ - ••		80	IIIII	
Wild date palm	Phoenix sylvestris	9a-11	٥		40		
Windmill palm	Trachycarpus fortunei	9a-10b	٥	*	40	1 0000	
Yucca, spineless	Yucca elephantipes	9b-11	○ - ••	* *	20		

SOIL MOISTURE \(\rightarrow \ Dry \) \(\limin \ Moist \) \(\limin \ Wet \)

LIGHT — Full Sun — Partial Sun — Shade



European fan palm Chamaerops humilis



Cardboard palm

Zamia furfuracea



Very tall, slender; spiny leaves damaged at 20°F; overwatering causes root rot; moderate salt

 $Also\ called\ toddy\ palm\ or\ India\ date\ palm; variable\ blue-green\ cast\ to\ leaves;\ moderate\ salt$

Very cold-hardy palm; does not thrive in hot, tropical conditions; soft, disorganized brown fiber on trunk; moderate salt

Harmless, soft leaftips, variegated forms available; moderate salt

* Soil moisture and light listed in order of plant preference



Canary Island date palm Phoenix canariensis



Sago, king Cycas revoluta



Cabbage palm Sabal palmetto



Thatch palm, Florida Thrinax radiata

SHRUBS

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Common Name	Scientific Name	Range	Range*	Range*	(feet)	Rate
Adam's needle	Yucca filamentosa	8a–9b	0		6	10000
American beautyberry	Callicarpa americana	8a–11	♦♦ − ◊		6–9	IIIII
Angel's-trumpet	Brugmansia x candida	8b-11	••		14	IIIII
Anise, Florida	Illicium floridanum	8a–10a	**** - **	*	15	
Anise, yellow	Illicium parviflorum	8a–9b	****		15	
Anise-tree	Illicium anisatum	8a-10b	••		20	
Apple, seven-year	Genipa clusiifolia (= Casasia clusiifolia)	10a-11	♦♦ − ◊	-	10	
Aralia, lacy-lady	Evodia suaveolens var. ridleyi	10b-11	••	- <u></u> <u></u>	6	IIIII
Arbor-vitae, Oriental	Platycladus orientalis	8a-10b	○ - ●●	- <u>*</u>	30	
Arrow-wood	Viburnum dentatum	8a–8b	••	- <u>*</u>	10	IIII
Azalea, Florida flame	Rhododendron austrinum	8a–9b	••	**	10	
Azalea hybrids	Rhododendron spp.	8a–10a	••	- <u>*</u>	10	
Azalea, wild or Pinxter or Piedmont	Rhododendron canescens	8a-10a	••	*	10	III 00
Bahama coffee	Psychotria ligustrifolia	10b-11	••	<i>△ ×</i>	4	
Barberry, 'crimson pygmy'	Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea Nana'	8a–9b	••	- <u>*</u>	4	
Barberry, wintergreen	Berberis julianae	8a–9b	••	- <u>*</u>	5	
Bay cedar	Suriana maritima	10b-11	٥	- \	10	
Beach elder	Iva imbricata	9a-10b	٥	- <u>*</u> -	7	Ш
Black torch	Erithalis fruticosa	10a-11	٥	- <u>*</u>	8	
Blackberry	Rubus cultivar Brazos	8a–9a	••		4	IIIII
Blueberry	Vaccinium cultivars	8a-10b	••	- <u>*</u> -	8	
Blueberry, Darrow's	Vaccinium darrowii	8a-11	٥	-	2	
Blueberry, highbush	Vaccinium cormybosum	8a-11	♦♦ - ◊	<u></u>	10	1 0000
Blueberry, shiny	Vaccinium myrsinites	8a-11	♦♦ - ◊	- <u>*</u>	2	1 0000
Bottlebrush, lemon	Callistemon citrinus	9a-11	••		20	
Bottlebrush, stiff	Callistemon rigidus	9a-11	••		15	
Bougainvillea, paper flower	Bougainvillea glabra	9a-11	٥	- -	8	IIII
Boxthorn	Severinia buxifolia	9a-10b	٥		6	
Buckthorn, tough	Sideroxylon tenax (= Bumelia tenax)	8b-9b	٥		20	1 0000
Bush clock vine or king's mantle	Thunbergia erecta	8b-11	••	- <u>*</u>	5	III 00
Butterfly bush or Buddleja	Buddleja spp.	9b-11	••	-`	10	
Buttonbush	Cephalanthus occidentalis	8a-10a	*** - **	- <u>*</u> -	15	
Buttonwood, silver	Conocarpus erectus var. sericeus	10b-11	*** - **	- \	35	
Calamondin orange	x Citrofortunella microcarpa	10b-11	••		10–25	
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SOIL MOISTURE O Dry Moist Wet

LIGHT — Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 🥿 Shade

Spine-tipped leaves with filamentous edges, white spring flowers; prefers sandy soil; evergreen; low salt; wildlife value; native

Pink spring flowers, stunning purple berries; one variety has white berries; wildlife value; deciduous; low salt; native

Showy fragrant flowers; poisonous; perennial throughout state; shrub in south Florida; evergreen; low salt

Distinctive red or purple flowers in spring, fragrant foliage; grows on seepage slopes; threatened; evergreen; low salt; native

Distinctive yellow spring flowers; fragrant foliage; rare and endangered; evergreen; low salt; native

Needs good, moist soil; yellow spring flowers; evergreen; low salt

Fragrant white flowers, large glossy leaves; fruit edible but poor taste; good seaside plant; prefers sandy soil; evergreen; high salt; native

Good hedge material; yellow summer flowers; evergreen; low salt

Can be small tree; evergreen; low salt

Good hedge material; showy white flowers in spring and summer, blue-black fruit; tolerates a wide range of soil; deciduous; low salt; wildlife value; native

Showy yellow or orange flowers appear in spring before leaves; prefers acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; endangered; native

Showy spring and fall flowers, wide variety of colors; dwarf variety less than 3 feet tall; needs acidic soil; evergreen; low salt

Showy fragrant spring flowers appear before leaves in spring; needs acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; native

White flowers in spring and summer; wildlife value; evergreen; moderate salt; endangered; native

Showy yellow spring flowers, spiny leaves, green and red foliage; deciduous; moderate salt

Spiny: vellow spring flowers: evergreen: moderate salt

Good coastal plant; evergreen; high salt; native

Perennial; fleshy leaves; both male and female flowers on plant; prefers sandy, alkaline soil; high salt; native

Black fruit, white flowers; prefers sandy soil; rounded shape becomes dense in sun; evergreen; high salt; native

Sprawling, vining, thorny; white summer flowers; wildlife value; low salt

Edible fruit; likes acidic soil; wildlife value; low salt; native

Edible fruit, white spring flowers; spreads by runners; needs acidic soil; wildlife value; evergreen; low salt; native

Edible fruit in early summer, white spring flowers; likes acidic soil; wildlife value; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Edible fruit, white or pink spring flowers; spreads by runners; needs acidic soil; wildlife value; evergreen; low salt; native

Showy red flowers in spring; can become small tree; evergreen; moderate salt

Showy red flowers in spring; can become small tree; evergreen; moderate salt

Very drought-tolerant; showy flowers in variety of colors; grows well in sandy soil; needs protection in northern zones; overwatering and overfertilizing will reduce blooms; evergreen; high salt

Spiny; good hedge material; white spring flowers; evergreen; moderate salt

Thorny; white spring flowers; leaves with shiny, rusty hairs beneath; prefers sandy soil; evergreen; high salt; native

Can be hedge with pruning; purple or white flowers; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

Showy fragrant flower clusters, variety of colors; spring and winter blooms; leaves white underneath; wildlife value; evergreen; low salt

Survives in standing water; white spring flowers; deciduous; low salt; native

Good coastal plant; silver-blue foliage, purple or white flowers; good hedge plant; evergreen; high salt; native

Needs well-drained soil; edible sour fruit; evergreen; low salt

SHRUBS

Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness Range	Soil Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Mature Size (feet)	Growth Rate
Camellia, sasanqua	Camellia sasanqua	8a–9b	\(\rightarrow\) − \(\rightarrow\)	-\(\frac{1}{2}\)	15	III
Caper, Jamaican	Capparis cynophallophora	10b-11	♦♦ - ◊		9	
Caricature plant	Graptophyllum pictum	10b-11	**	- 	5	
Carolina silverbell	Halesia carolina	8a–9b	••	- 	25	
Cassia, Bahama	Senna mexicana var. chapmanii	10a	♦♦ - ◊		8	IIII
Century plant or maguey	Agave americana	9a-11	٥		6+	
Chaste-tree	Vitex agnus-castus	8a-10b	••	-)-	12	
Chenille plant or red-hot cattail	Acalypha hispida	9b–11	••		10	IIIII
Christmas berry	Lycium carolinianum	8a-11	٥	*	7	
Cleyera	Ternstroemia gymnanthera	10a-11	••	2	15	
Cocoplum	Chrysobalanus icaco	10b-11	••		20	
Confederate-rose	Hibiscus mutabilis	8a-10a	◊ - ♦♦	*	5–15	IIIII
Coontie	Zamia floridana (Z. pumila)	8b-11	♦♦ - ◊	<u></u>	2	1 0000
Copperleaf	Acalypha wilkesiana	10b-11	••		8	IIIII
Coral bean or Cherokee bean	Erythrina herbacea	8a-11	♦♦ - ◊	*	15	
Crape jasmine	Tabernaemontana divaricata	10b-11	••	* *	7	
Croton	Codiaeum variegatum	10a-11	••	*	8	1 0000
Dracaena	Dracaena spp.	9a-11	♦♦ - ◊	*	2–15	
Elderberry	Sambucus nigra subsp. canadensis	8a-11	***	- <u>*</u> -	15	IIIII
Fetterbush or swamp doghobble	Leucothoe racemosa	8a-9b	***	*	6	
Fiddlewood	Citharexylum spinosum (= C. fruticosum)	10b-11	♦♦ - ◊	*	25	1 0000
Firebush	Hamelia patens	8a–11	••	* *	3–10	IIIII
Firecracker plant	Russelia equisetiformis	9a-11	♦♦ - ◊	- <u>*</u> -	4	III 00
Firespike	Odontonema cuspidata	8b-11	••	- <u></u>	6	IIIII
Firethorn, red	Pyracantha coccinea	8a–10a	••	- <u>*</u> -	10–15	
Florida boxwood	Schaefferia frutescens	10b-11	٥	**	25	
Gallberry	llex glabra	8a–10a	••	<u></u>	8	■0000
Gama grass, Eastern, or Fakahatchee grass	Tripsacum dactyloides	8a–11	♦♦♦♦ - ◊	- *	8	III 00
Gama grass, Florida, or dwarf Fakahatchee grass	Tripsacum floridanum	10a-11	***	- \	6	III 00
Garberia	Garberia heterophylla	9a–10a	٥	-	6	
Gardenia, Cape jasmine	Gardenia augusta	8a-10a	••		6	■0000
Glorybush or tibouchina or princess flower	Tibouchina spp.	8b–10b	••	*	10	III 00
Glossy abelia	Abelia x grandiflora (A. chinensis x A. uniflora)	8a-9b	**	-	6	III 00

Not finicky about drainage; showy fragrant flowers in fall; likes acidic soil; evergreen; low salt

Rusty leaf undersides; showy pink or white flowers in spring; grows on shellrock; evergreen; high salt; native

Showy red flowers in spring, variety of leaf colors and shapes; vulnerable to nematodes; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; low salt

Flowering shrub for partial shade; yellow winter flowers; grows on lime areas; deciduous; low salt; native

Showy yellow flowers in fall and winter; evergreen; low salt; wildlife value; native

Spiny succulent; takes years to mature; yellow flower; blooms sporadically; very drought-tolerant; likes sandy soil; evergreen; high salt

Needs mulching and pruning; showy blue flowers in spring; deciduous; moderate salt

Long pendulous spikes, white or red flowers in summer and fall; evergreen; needs protection in northern zones; low salt

Grows in salt marshes; bright red berries, unusual foliage, lavender or white flowers in summer and fall; evergreen; high salt; native

Flowering shrub, small tree, or hedge; evergreen; low salt

Good hedge material; coastal plant; "red tip" inland variety not salt-tolerant; dark fruit, small white flowers; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Small tree-like hibiscus relative; 6-inch flowers open pink and fade to white; dies to ground in north Florida, retains size in south Florida

Grows on shell areas; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt; native

Good coastal plant; white flowers in spring and fall, edible purple fruit; evergreen; moderate salt; needs protection in northern zones

Colorful fruits, poisonous beans, red spring flowers; thorny; wildlife value; evergreen; freezes back in northern zones; moderate salt; native; tree in south Florida

Showy fragrant white flowers in spring and fall; evergreen; moderate salt

Showy multicolored leaves; sap is an irritant and stains clothes; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

Can be tree, shrub or herbaceous perennial; white, yellow and green flowers in spring; evergreen; low salt

Flowers and fruit edible; white spring flowers; wildlife value; evergreen; low salt; native

Likes wet; evergreen; native

Small fragrant white flowers, orange fruit, glossy leaves; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Small tree in southern range; reddish tubular flowers; winter dieback in cold areas; needs protection in northern zones; grows on shell areas; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Showy red flowers; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; high salt

Perennial; large red flower spikes in fall; needs fertile soil; needs protection in northern zones; hummingbird attractor; low salt

Good hedge material; white flowers in spring and summer, showy orange-red berries; thorny; subject to fire blight; evergreen; moderate salt

Good hedge material; endangered; likes alkaline soil; evergreen; moderate salt; native

White spring flowers, black fruit; male and female plants; high drought tolerance; likes acidic soil; evergreen; moderate salt; wildlife value; native

Large bunchgrass; perennial; interesting flowers and fruit; wildlife value; moderate salt; native

Perennial; threatened; moderate salt; native

Showy pink or purple fall flowers; prefers acidic, sandy soil; evergreen; wildlife value; native; threatened

Very fragrant, showy white flowers in spring; needs rich acid soil with mulch and good drainage; evergreen; low salt

Showy purple flowers in spring and fall; prefers well-drained acid soil of central Florida; needs protection in northern zones; small tree in southern range; evergreen; low salt

Variety of flower colors in spring; prefers loamy, well-drained clay soil of northwestern Florida; semi-evergreen; low salt

SHRUBS

Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness	Soil Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Mature Size (feet)	Growth Rate
Golden dewdrop	Duranta evecta (= Duranta repens)	Range 8a-11	Mange	Kange	15	IIIII
Guava, pineapple	Feijoa sellowiana	8b-11	66 – ()	*	14	
Hawthorn, Indian	Rhaphiolepis indica	8a-11	**	*	5	
Hibiscus	Hibiscus rosa-sinensis	9b-11	••		7	
Hibiscus, red, or swamp mallow	Hibiscus coccineus	8a-10b	*** - **	*	6–8	III 00
Holly, Burford or Chinese	llex cornuta 'Burford'	8a-8b	••	*	5–20	
Holly, dwarf yaupon	llex vomitoria 'Nana' and 'Shellings'	8a–10a	♦♦ − ◊	<u></u>	5	
Holly, Japanese	llex crenata	8a-9b	••	*	6	1 0000
Honeysuckle, Cape	Tecoma capensis	9a-11	••		6	IIIII
Huckleberry, dwarf	Gaylussacia dumosa	8a-10b	♦♦ - ◊	- <u></u>	1.5	
Hydrangea, French	Hydrangea macrophylla	8a-9b	••	*	5	IIIII
Hydrangea, oakleaf	Hydrangea quercifolia	8a-9b	○ - ♦ ♦	*	8	Ш
Hydrangea, wild	Hydrangea arborescens	8a	••	<i>△ ×</i>	5	
Inkberry	Scaevola plumieri	10a-11	٥		4	
lxora	lxora coccinea	10b-11	••		5	
Jasmine, downy	Jasminum multiflorum	10b-11	••	<u></u>	5	
Jasmine, primrose or yellow or Japanese	Jasminum mesnyi	8a-10a	••	- *	8	III 00
Juniper, Chinese	Juniperus chinensis	8a-10b	••		50	
Juniper, Pftizer	Juniperus chinensis 'Pftizeriana'	8a-10b	♦♦ − ◊		6	
Kumquat	Fortunella spp.	10a-11	••		15	
Lady-of-the-night	Brunfelsia americana	10b-11	••		10	
Licuala, spiny	Licuala spinosa	10b-11	••		12	
Lyonia, rusty	Lyonia ferruginea	8a–10b	٥		15	■0000
Lyonia, shiny	Lyonia lucida	8a–9b	** - ***		6	
Maidenbush	Savia bahamensis	10b-11	٥		9	■0000
Marlberry	Ardisia escallonioides	10a-11	*** - **	△	10–20	
Mock orange	Philadelphus coronarius	8a–9b	••	*	12	IIIII
Myrsine	Rapanea punctata	8b-11	••	<i>△ ×</i>	15	
Natal plum	Carissa macrocarpa	10b-11	٥	<u></u>	10	
Night-blooming jessamine	Cestrum nocturnum	9b-11	••		10	
Oleander	Nerium oleander	8a-11	٥		15	
Oregon grape-holly or Chinese Mahonia	Mahonia spp.	8a–9b	••	*	5	

SOIL MOISTURE O Dry Moist Wet

LIGHT — Full Sun — Partial Sun — Shade

Small blue or white flowers in spring and fall, showy golden fruit; poisonous; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt; wildlife value

Can be hedge; white or red spring flowers; petals edible, fruit delicious; evergreen; moderate salt

Showy pinkish-white flowers in spring and winter; high drought tolerance; good hedge material; evergreen; moderate salt

Showy flowers, many varieties; needs very fertile soil; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

Perennial; large showy red flowers in spring and summer; needs protection in northern zones; likes wet soil; low salt; native

Shiny leaves with spines; good hedge material; white spring flowers, red berries; male and female plants; evergreen; moderate salt

Different cultivars have different heights; white flowers in spring and summer; female plants have berries; evergreen; low salt; native

Good hedge material; prefers acidic soil; male and female plants; evergreen; low salt

Needs good drainage; needs frequent pruning to make a shrub; yellow, orange and red flowers in summer and fall; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

Elliptic leaves to 1 inch; small clustered, white, bell-shaped flowers in spring; edible fleshy fruit; excellent in dry conditions; tardy deciduous; low salt; native

Needs pruning; hedge material; flowers change color with soil pH; needs fertile soil, likes acidic soil; deciduous; low salt

Large branched clusters of white spring flowers; fruits attractive; fall foliage; prefers acidic soil; deciduous; low salt; native

Endangered; low salt; native

Groundcover for dunes; can be used for low hedge; evergreen; high salt; native

Showy flowers in yellow, red or pink; requires well-drained, fertile, acidic soil; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

Shrub or vine; white flowers in spring and fall; evergreen; low salt

Showy yellow flowers in spring and winter; requires chilling before flowering; sprawling shrub for central and north Florida; evergreen; low salt

Prefers fertile soil; evergreen; moderate salt

Conifer; grows best in north Florida; looks best on fertile, well-drained soil; likes sandy soil; moderate salt

Edible citrus fruit; thornless or with few spines; resistant to citrus canker; can tolerate colder temperatures than most citrus

Showy white flower in spring and fall; evergreen; moderate salt

Spiny palm; evergreen; low salt

Rusty pubescence on leaves; clusters of small urn-shaped white flowers in spring attract insects; likes acidic soil; evergreen; low salt; native

Grows in flatwoods and swamps; can sucker; pink urn-shaped flowers in spring; likes acidic soil but tolerates alkaline soil; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Good hedge material; evergreen; high salt; native

Fragrant white flowers in spring and fall, black fruits; tolerates alkaline soil; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt; native

Fragrant white spring flowers, exfoliating orange to red-brown bark; needs pruning; deciduous; low salt

Can get leggy, small white spring flowers; small fleshy fruits occur along stem; does well in coastal counties; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt; native

Spiny hedge plant; tolerates seasides; fragrant white flowers in spring and fall; large fruit, good for cooking; evergreen; high salt

Cream flowers in spring and summer, white fruits; poisonous foliage; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

All parts highly poisonous; drought-tolerant; many flower colors; blooms in spring and fall; needs protection in northern zones; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt

Spiny; good hedge material; blue-black fruit, yellow fall flowers; winter foliage turns bronze or purple; evergreen; moderate salt

GROWTH RATE Slow Medium Fast

SHRUBS

эпко	БЭ	Florida Hardiness	Soil Moisture	Light	Mature Size	Growth
Common Name	Scientific Name	Range	Range*	Range*	(feet)	Rate
Pampas grass	Cortaderia selloana	8a-11	Ò − ♦♦	- <u>—</u>	6	
Pawpaw	Asimina spp.	8b–10a	♦♦ − ◊	· ————————————————————————————————————	3–5	
Peregrina	Jatropha integerrima	10b-11	••	- \	8	
Philodendron or tree philodendron	Philodendron selloum	9a	\(- \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \	* *	10	IIII
Photinia or red-tip	Photinia glabra	8a-9b	••		8	
Pipestem	Agarista populifolia	8b-9a	** - ***	<i>△ ×</i>	10	
Plumbago	Plumbago auriculata	8b-11	••		5	
Podocarpus, yew	Podocarpus macrophyllus	8a-11	••	<u></u>	35	
Pomegranate	Punica granatum	8a–8b	٥		15	
Red powderpuff	Calliandra haematocephala	10a-11	♦♦ − ◊		15	
Rhododendron, Chapman's	Rhododendron minus var. chapmanii	8a–9a	••	* ~	5	1 0000
Rose, Cherokee	Rosa laevigata	8a-10b	••		10+	
Rose-of-Sharon or Althaea	Hibiscus syriacus	8a-9b	••	- -	10	IIII
Rosemary	Rosmarinus officinalis	8a–11	٥		3	
Scrub conradina or wild rosemary	Conradina canescens	8a-9b	٥	- \	4	
Scrub mint, large-flowered	Conradina grandiflora	9b–10a	٥		4	IIIII
Sea lavender	Argusia gnaphalodes	9b-11	٥		6	■0000
Seagrape	Coccoloba uvifera	9b-11	♦♦ − ◊		20	
Shrimp plant	Justicia brandegeana	8b-10b	♦♦ − ◊	*	4	
Silverthorn	Elaeagnus pungens	8a	٥	- \	18	Ш
Simpson stopper	Myrcianthes fragrans	10a-11	٥	- <u>*</u>	25	■0000
Snail seed	Cocculus laurifolius	9a–10b	••	<u></u>	13	
Snow bush	Breynia disticha	10b-11	••	<u></u>	6	
Spanish bayonet	Yucca aloifolia	8a-11	٥		14	
Sparkleberry	Vaccinium arboreum	8a-9b	♦♦ − ◊	<u></u>	15	1 0000
Spicewood	Calyptranthes pallens	10b-11	٥	*	15	
Spiraea, Chinese or Reeves	Spiraea cantoniensis	8a-9a	••		5	
Spiraea, Thunberg	Spiraea thunbergii	8a–8b	••	*	5	
Sweet olive	Osmanthus fragrans	8a-9b	••	*	20	
Sweet pepperbush	Clethra alnifolia	8a-9a	***	*	20	1 0000
Sweet shrub	Calycanthus floridus	8a-10a	••	<u>~</u> <u>*</u>	10	
Sweetspire or Virginia-willow	ltea virginica	8a-11	** - ***	<u>*</u>	7	
Tallow-wood	Ximenia americana	9a-10b	٥	- × -	8	
Tetrazygia	Tetrazygia bicolor	10b-11	٥	<u></u>	10	

SOIL MOISTURE \(\rightarrow \textit{Dry} \) \(\limin \textit{Moist} \) \(\limin \text{Wet} \)

LIGHT - Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 么 Shade

Bunchgrass; likes dry conditions; sharp serrations on leaves; grows in large clumps; tolerates a wide soil range; moderate salt

Multi-stemmed shrub; drought-tolerant; attracts butterflies; deciduous; low salt; native

Showy red flowers; poisonous; evergreen; moderate salt

Enormous leaves; sap irritant; good in poor soils, tolerant of a wide range of soils; evergreen; moderate salt

Good hedge material; white spring flowers; new red growth; prefers rich soil, chilly winters; evergreen; low salt

Showy white flowers in spring; likes acidic soil; can't be pruned without ruining shape; evergreen; native

Showy, fragrant blue or white flowers in spring and fall; irritant; mineral deficiency on alkaline soil; good hedge plant; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

Invasive; gets scales and sooty mold; needs pruning when grown as a hedge; evergreen; moderate salt

Does better in low humidity; may sucker; needs well-drained soil, pH 5.5 to 7.0; deciduous; low salt

Red or white flowers in winter; likes sandy soil; evergreen; low salt

Endangered; needs acidic soil; evergreen; low salt; native

Thorny stems, large fragrant spring flowers in pink or white; climbs; requires moist, well-drained soil, likes sandy soil; evergreen; low salt

Many colors; blooms in spring and fall; needs very fertile soil; deciduous; low salt

Aromatic; linear leathery leaves; needs protection in northern zones; high salt

Aromatic foliage; small lavender flowers in spring; excellent drought tolerance; likes sandy soil; wildlife value; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Very drought-tolerant; blue flowers in spring and fall; needs sandy soil; evergreen; high salt; native; threatened

Good coastal plant; endangered; white flowers in winter and spring, silvery-gray foliage; evergreen; high salt; native

Good coastal plant; edible fruit; dinner plate-sized leaves; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; high salt; wildlife value; native

Best grown in clumps; reddish-brown drooping flower clusters resemble shrimp; attracts hummingbirds; moderate salt

Thorny; fragrant brown flowers, edible fruit; good hedge plant; intolerant of alkaline soil; evergreen; high salt

Interesting bark; white flowers; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt; native

Hedge or shrub; tiny yellow spring flowers; poisonous leaves; evergreen; low salt

White spring flowers; evergreen; low salt

Spine-tipped leaves; white flowers in spring and fall; excellent drought tolerance; likes sandy soil; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt

Attractive reddish bark; crooked trunk; seedy, blueberry-like fruit in early fall; in some areas, can be tree; likes acidic soil; semi-evergreen; wildlife value; low salt; native

Rare south Florida plant; threatened; white spring and fall flowers; good hedge material; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Showy flowering shrub; does best in Panhandle; white spring flowers; deciduous; low salt

White winter flowers; requires well-drained, loamy soil; evergreen; low salt

Intensely fragrant small white flowers in fall and winter; cultivated for fragrance; likes sandy soil; evergreen; low salt

Good hedge plant; showy white flowers in spring and summer; likes acidic soil; wildlife value; deciduous; low salt; native

Showy fragrant flowers, aromatic leaves; can be weedy; deciduous; low salt; native

Can sucker; fall color; tassels of tiny fragrant white flowers in spring; evergreen; low salt; native

Edible fruit but not good tasting; prefers sandy soil; evergreen; low salt; native

Good hedge material; white spring flowers, attractive foliage; evergreen; moderate salt; native; threatened



SHRUBS

Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness Range	Soil Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Mature Size (feet)	Growth Rate
Texas sage	Leucophyllum frutescens	8a–10b	••		5	
Thryallis	Galphimia gracilis	8b-11	••	*	5	
Ti plant	Cordyline terminalis	10b-11	••	<u></u>	5	
Titi	Cyrilla racemiflora	8a–9a	***	*	20	1 0000
Torchwood	Amyris elemifera	9a-11	♦♦ − ◊	<u></u>	15	
Tropical snowflake	Trevesia palmata	10b	••	*	15	
Turk's-cap	Malvaviscus arboreus	8a-11	٥		7	IIII
Two-winged silverbell	Halesia diptera	8a–8b	••		30	IIII
Varnish leaf	Dodonaea viscosa	9a-11	♦♦ − ◊	<u></u>	6	1 0000
Viburnum, sandankwa	Viburnum suspensum	8a–10b	••	*	6	
Viburnum, sweet	Viburnum odoratissimum	8a-10b	••	*	8	IIII
Viburnum, Walter's	Viburnum obovatum	8a–10a	66 - 666	*	20	Ш
Wax myrtle or southern bayberry	Myrica cerifera	8a-11	***	*	20	
White indigo berry	Randia aculeata	10a-11	♦♦ − ◊		8	10000
Wild coffee	Psychotria nervosa	9a-11	••	<i>△ ×</i>	5	IIII
Wild sage, button sage, or white sage	Lantana involucrata	9a-11	٥	-	6	IIIII
Yellow necklace pod	Sophora tomentosa var. truncata	9b-11	٥		8	
Yesterday-today-and-tomorrow or morning-noon-and-night	Brunfelsia grandiflora	9a-11	••		8	

SOIL MOISTURE O Dry 66 Moist 6666 Wet

LIGHT — Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 솓 Shade



American beautyberry Callicarpa americana



Sweet olive
Osmanthus fragrans

Hedge material; gray-green foliage, lavender spring flowers; will die if over-watered; evergreen; moderate salt

Showy yellow flowers in summer and fall; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

Showy fragrant white flowers in fall; shrub or tree; many colorful foliage forms; needs protection in northern zones; evergreen; moderate salt

Pendulous white flowers in spring and summer attract insects; likes acidic soil; evergreen; native

White flowers; needs protection in northern zones; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt; native

New leaves resemble snowflakes; white spring flowers; needs fertile, slightly acidic soil; evergreen; low salt

Red flowers in spring and fall; wildlife value; evergreen; low salt

Showy white spring flowers; deciduous; native

Shiny leaves, white spring flowers; showy, winged fruit; evergreen; high salt; native

Hedge material; white or pink spring flowers; vulnerable to nematodes; tolerates alkalinity; evergreen; low salt

Hedge material; white spring flowers; evergreen; low salt

Informal hedges, may form thickets; upright and spreading forms; showy white spring flowers; red to black edible berries; tolerates drier conditions; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Good hedge material in full sun; can root-sucker; berries; likes moisture; male and female plants; wildlife value; evergreen; high salt; native

Spiny, dense plant; fragrant small white flowers; female has white berries; evergreen; high salt; native

Needs moisture; white flowers in spring and summer, small fruits; evergreen; wildlife value; moderate salt; native

White flowers; needs sandy soil; wildlife value; evergreen; moderate salt; native

Showy yellow flowers; poisonous; evergreen; high salt; native

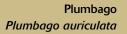
Showy purple flowers with white centers; evergreen; moderate salt





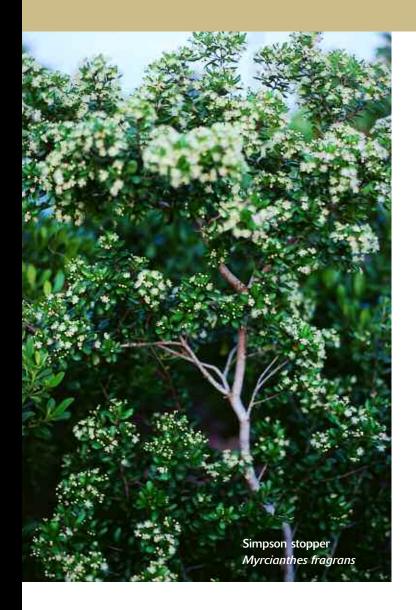


Anise, Florida Illicium floridanum





SHRUBS





Seagrape Coccoloba uvifera

Coral bean Erythrina herbacea



Azalea, Florida flame Rhododendron austrinum

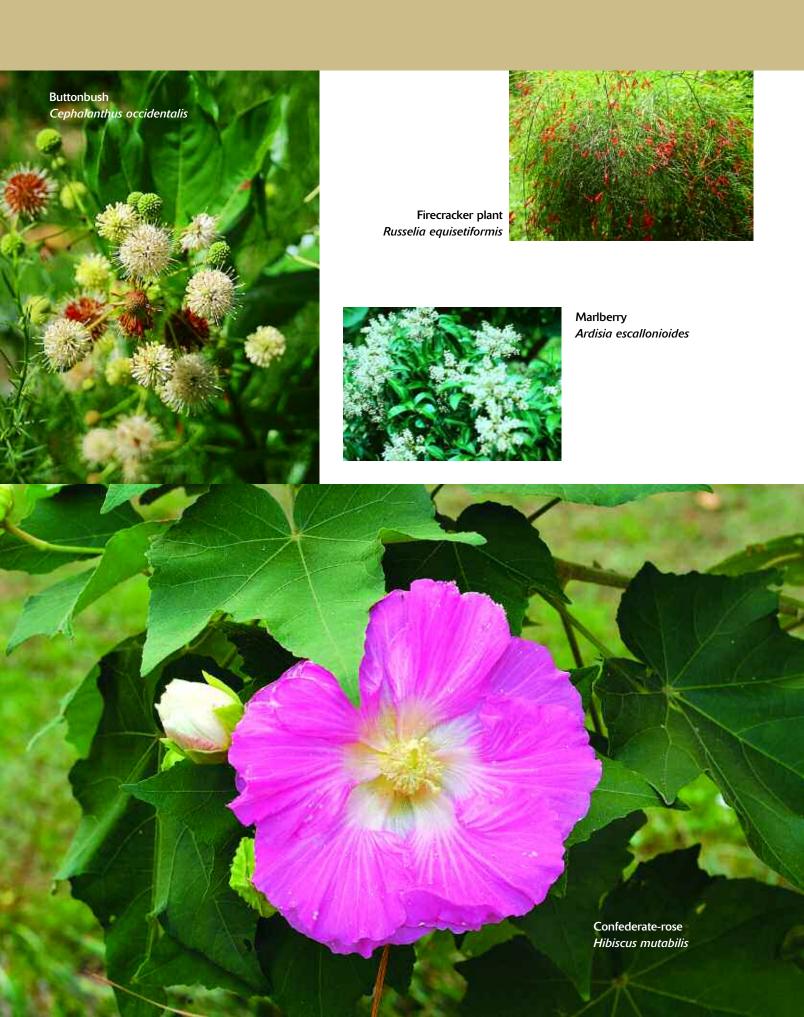


Gallberry *Ilex glabra*



Firebush *Hamelia patens*





GROUND COVERS

Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness Range	Soil Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Mature Size (feet)	Growth Rate
Adam's needle	Yucca filamentosa	8a–9b	٥		3	
Ajuga or carpet bugleweed	Ajuga reptans	8a–9a	••	* ~	6"x6'	
Aloe	Aloe vera (= A. barbadensis)	10a-11	٥	*	1.5	1 0000
Beach morning glory	lpomoea imperati (= l. stolonifera)	8–10b	٥		0.5	Ш
Bean, beach	Canavalia maritima (= C. rosea)	10b-11	٥		0.5	IIIII
Blue daze	Evolvulus glomerata	8a-10b	♦♦ − ◊		1-2x1	
Broomsedge or chalky bluestem	Andropogon virginicus var. glaucus	8a-10a	••	- <u>*</u> -	3–5	IIII
Cast-iron plant	Aspidistra elatior	9a-11	○ - ••	<i>△ ×</i>	2	
False heather	Cuphea hyssopifolia	8b-11	♦♦ − ◊	*	1.5	
Fern, bird's nest	Asplenium nidus	9a-11	••	<i>△ ×</i>	2.5	
Fern, cinnamon	Osmunda cinnamomea	8a-11	*** - **	<u>~</u> <u>*</u>	4	
Fern, giant leather	Acrostichum danaeifolium	9a-11	*** - **	**	8	
Fern, giant sword	Nephrolepis biserrata	9b-11	** - ***	* ~	4	
Fern, holly	Cyrtomium falcatum	9a-11	••	<i>△ ×</i>	1.5	
Fern, leatherleaf	Rumohra adiantiformis	10a-11	••	<u></u>	2	
Fern, royal	Osmunda regalis	8a-10b	****	* ~	5	
Fern, southern shield or woods	Thelypteris kunthii	8a-10b	***	* ~	2.5	
Fern, swamp	Blechnum serrulatum	9a-11	***	<i>△ ×</i>	2	
Fig, creeping	Ficus pumila	8a-11	♦♦ − ◊	*	NA	Ш
Foxtail-fern	Asparagus aethiopicus 'Myers'	8b-11	••		2	
Ginger, peacock	Kaempferia spp.	10b-11	••	<i>△ ×</i>	0.5	
Golden creeper	Ernodea littoralis	10b-11	٥		2	
Gopher apple	Licania michauxii	8a-11	٥	- \	1	1 0000
Grass, Aztec	Ophiopogon spp.	8a-11	○ - ♦ ♦	* *	1	
Grass, bahia	Paspalum notatum	8a-11	♦ ♦	- \	2	
Grass, Bermuda	Cynodon dactylon	8a-11	٥	- \	0.5	
Grass, bitter panic	Panicum amarum	8a-9b	٥	- \	3.5	Ш
Grass, broadleaf spike, or broadleaf woodoats	Chasmanthium latifolium	8a-9b	** - ***	<i>← ★</i>	2	III 00
Grass, centipede	Eremochloa ophiuroides	8a-9a	♦♦ − ◊	*	0.5	
Grass, lopsided Indian	Sorghastrum secundum	8a-11	♦♦ − ◊		4	
Grass, mondo	Ophiopogon japonicus	8–10b	○ - ••	~ *	0.5	
Grass, muhly	Muhlenbergia capillaris	8a-11	♦♦♦♦ − ♦		4	
Grass, purple love	Eragrostis spectabilis	8a-10b	○ - ♦♦♦♦		2.5	

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SOIL MOISTURE O Dry

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LIGHT -

Full Sun 🕍 Partial Sun 솓 Shade

Leaf margins fray; large showy white flower spikes every few years; depends on yucca moth for pollination; likes sandy soil; moderate salt; native

Perennial; dark green to bronze foliage; blue flower spikes in spring; moderate salt

Succulent, fleshy leaves; yellow winter flowers; sap soothes burns and cuts; looks good in rock gardens; high salt

Showy flowering vine; purple or white flowers; good coastal herbaceous plant; poisonous; good drought tolerance; likes sandy soil; moderate salt; native

Herbaceous perennial; a widespread, vining dune plant; purple flowers; needs sandy soil; high salt; native

Perennial; deep-green foliage, intense blue flowers; best planted in groups; high drought, heat and salt tolerance; needs protection in northern zones

Bunchgrass; good drought tolerance; grows in moist, acidic to neutral, sandy soil; moderate salt; native

Herbaceous; requires shade; drought-tolerant; likes sandy soil; needs protection in northern zones; moderate salt

White and pink flowers; needs protection in northern zones; winter diebacks in north Florida; low salt

Can be epiphytic; likes acidic soil; needs protection in northern zones; low salt

Cinnamon-colored spike bloom; native

Huge leaves; good in wet areas; high salt; native

Can form a dense groundcover in shady, moist areas; low salt; native

Prefers moist, shady area; glossy green foliage; likes acidic soil; moderate salt

Dark green, leathery leaves used for cut foliage; moderate salt

Large leaves; likes acidic soil; low salt; native

Grows on rocks and in shade; likes alkaline soil; low salt; native

Likes shady, moist areas and acidic soil; low salt; native

Vine attaches to masonry and climbs trees; sap is irritant; moderate salt

Herbaceous; red berries, spine-tipped leaves; moderate salt

Herbaceous; green to purple leaves, spotted or striped; dies back November-December; white, pink and purple flowers; low salt

Likes sandy soil; evergreen; high salt; native

Woody; edible fruits, white flowers; thrives in very well drained soil; high salt; evergreen; native

Low-growing grass-like lily; variegated leaves and white flowers; spreads by stolons

Low-maintenance turf grass; several cultivated forms, sometimes used for forage

Drought-tolerant turf grass; good for sandy soil; many cultivated forms; sometimes used for forage; wildlife value; high salt

Bluish leaves; good for stabilizing dunes; bunchgrass; high salt; native

Bunchgrass; seedheads similar to sea oats; wildlife value; low salt; native

Turf grass; likes acidic soil; develops iron deficiencies; wildlife value; low salt

Tall bunchgrass; likes sandy soil; wildlife value; moderate salt; native

Herbaceous; damaged by foot traffic; white or purple flowers; avoid alkaline soil; moderate salt

Bunchgrass; mixes well with wildflowers; lovely purple plumes in fall; good in alkaline to neutral soil; wildlife value; high salt; native

Bunchgrass; purple flowers in spring and fall, purple fall plumes; likes dry areas with high pH; wildlife value; low salt; native

GROUNDCOVERS

Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness Range	Soil Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Mature Size (feet)	Growth Rate
Grass, St. Augustine	Stenotaphrum secundatum	8a-11	6666 - 66	<u>*</u>	0.5	IIIII
Grass, salt	Distichlis spicata	8–11	***		1.5	
Grass, saltmeadow cord	Spartina patens	8a-9b	♦ - ••••		2	
Grass, sand cord or Baker cord	Spartina bakeri	8a-11	♦ - ♦ • • • •		3–6	
Grass, smooth cord	Spartina alterniflora	8a-11	♦♦♦♦ − ♦		6	
Grass, wire	Aristida beyrichiana	8a-10a	♦♦ − ◊		2–3	
Grass, zebra or eulalia	Miscanthus sinensis	8a–9a	♦♦ − ◊		6	IIIII
Grass, zoysia or Japanese	Zoysia japonica	8a–11	♦♦ − ◊	*	0.5	
Groundcover rose	Rosa x 'Red Carpet'	8a-10b	♦♦ − ◊	* *	2x2	
Hosta	Hosta spp.	8a	••	&	1x2	
lvy, Algerian	Hedera canariensis	8–10b	Ò − ♦♦	~ *	NA	IIIII
Jasmine, Asiatic	Trachelospermum asiaticum	8a–10b	••	*	0.5	
Jasmine, Carolina, or yellow jessamine	Gelsemium sempervirens	8a-11	Ó – 🍑	*	0.5	IIII
Juniper, blue rug	Juniperus horizontalis 'Blue Rug'	8a–9a	○ - ••		0.5	
Juniper, Japanese garden	Juniperus procumbens	8a-10b	♦♦ − ◊		2	
Juniper, Parson	Juniperus chinensis 'Parsonii'	8–10b	♦ - ♦ •		3	
Juniper, shore	Juniperus conferta	8a-10a	♦ - ♦ •		2	
Lantana, gold mound	Lantana camara 'Gold Mound'	9b-11	٥		3	Ш
Lantana, trailing	Lantana montevidensis	9a-11	٥		2	
Liriope	Liriope spp.	8a–10b	♦ - ♦ •	*	1	
Maidencane	Panicum hemitomon	8a–11	♦♦♦♦ − ♦		2	
Porterweed, blue	Stachytarpheta jamaicensis	9a-11	♦♦♦♦ − ♦	* *	1.5	
Powderpuff or mimosa-vine	Mimosa strigillosa	8a-9b	••	- *	0.5	IIII
Purple queen	Tradescantia pallida	9a-10a	♦♦ − ◊	*	1	Ш
Quailberry	Crossopetalum ilicifolium	10b-11	٥		2	
Railroad vine	Ipomoea pes-caprae	9a-11	٥		0.5	Ш
St. John's wort, matted sandweed, or sandwort	Hypericum reductum	8a-9b	٥		1.5	III 00
Sea oats	Uniola paniculata	8a–11	٥		4	
Sea purslane	Sesuvium portulacastrum	9–10b	٥	- * -	1–3	
Seashore dropseed	Sporobolus virginicus	8a-11	♦ - ♦ • • • •		1	
Seashore paspalum	Paspalum vaginatum	8–11	***	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2	
Smooth water-hyssop	Bacopa monnieri	8a-11	***		0.5	
Snowberry, pineland	Chiococca alba (= C. pinetorum)	9b-11	♦♦ - ◊		2.5	

SOIL MOISTURE \lozenge Dry $\bullet \bullet$ Moist $\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet$ Wet

LIGHT 🔆 Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 🥿 Shade

Turf grass; many cultivated forms available; high salt

Warm-season perennial grass; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

Spreading grass; likes sandy soil; moderate salt; native

Robust perennial bunchgrass of salt marshes and dunes; high salt; native

Herbaceous; coastal, salt-tolerant spreading grass; wildlife value; high salt; native

Bunchgrass; flowers following fire; ideal for mixing with wildflowers in dry areas; wildlife value; native

Variegated leaves; gets rust but it goes away; silvery gold flowers in spring and fall; likes sandy soil

Grass; high salt

Perennial; glossy dark green leaves; near-continuous dark red flowers; disease-resistant; low salt

Perennial; clump-forming; variety of colors and varigations in leaves; prefers fertile soil; low salt

Vine; can be invasive; sap is irritant; moderate salt

Vine; forms a thick mat; invades surrounding areas; yellow or white flowers; evergreen; moderate salt

Attractive shiny green leaves; showy yellow flowers in very early spring; all parts are poisonous if ingested; can be trained to grow on trellis or fence; evergreen; low salt; native

Blue-toned foliage; extremely low-growing; takes time to fill in; drought-tolerant

Conifer; 'Nana' is a slow-growing dwarf cultivar, 'Variegata' has yellow and green foliage; good in sandy soil; moderate salt

Low-growing conifer; gray-green foliage; needs well-drained soil conditions; moderate salt

Blue-green conifer; subject to fungal problems in wet areas; high salt

Perennial; gold mound is sterile variety; too much water and fertilizer reduce blooming; foliage damaged at 25°F, freezes to ground at 20°F; does well in sandy, dry sites; high salt; evergreen

Perennial; won't tolerate foot traffic or mowing; foliage damaged at 25°F, freezes to ground around 20°F; purple flowers; does well in sandy, dry sites; high salt; evergreen

Herbaceous; forms dense clumps; intolerant of foot traffic; foliage yellows in sun, tips may burn from soil salts; many cultivars available; purple, white, pink or blue flowers; moderate salt

Spreading grass; excellent drought tolerance; dune stabilizer and lawn grass; high salt; native

Herbaceous; blue flowers; wildlife value; high salt; native

Herbaceous; fern-like leaves, sensitive to touch; similar to exotic Schrankia microphylla; pink flowers in spring and summer; native

Herbaceous; sprawling, open growth; invasive; will tolerate poor sites; high salt

Shrub-like, spiny; red fruit, red flowers; evergreen; wildlife value; low salt; native; threatened

Creeping, flowering dune vine; poisonous; purple flowers in spring and fall; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

Reclining, bushy-branched flowering shrub; likes sandy soil; small yellow flowers in spring and summer; evergreen; high salt; native

Protected grass species; excellent for dunes; flower and seed heads are distinctive; high salt; wildlife value; native

Herbaceous; succulent beach wildflower; pink flowers; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

Bunchgrass; coastal plant; wildlife value; high salt; native

Coastal turf grass; dune stabilizer; some varieties are fine-textured; high salt

Herbaceous; flowering groundcover for wet areas; white or pink flowers; high salt; native

Vining shrub with attractive white flowers, showy white fruit; leans on other vegetation; grows on shell areas; evergreen; low salt; native

GROWTH RATE Slow Medium Fast

GROUNDCOVERS

		Florida	Soil		Mature	
Common Name	Scientific Name	Hardiness Range	Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Size (feet)	Growth Rate
Spider plant	Chlorphytum comosum	9a-10b	♦♦ − ◊	* ~	1x1	IIIII
Sunflower, beach	Helianthus debilis	8a-10b	○ - ••		1.5	
Thyme	Thymus vulgaris	8a–11	٥		1.5	
Vinca	Vinca spp.	8a–8b	♦♦ − ◊	~	3x3	

SOIL MOISTURE O Dry 66 Moist 6666 Wet





Purple queen
Tradescantia pallida

Powderpuff Mimosa strigillosa







Ginger, peacock *Kaempferia* species

Sea oats *Uniola paniculata*

Perennial; number of variegated and green forms; best used in clumps; moderate salt

Herbaceous annual or perennial in south Florida; showy yellow flowers; very drought-tolerant; good for dunes and sunny spots; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

Plant in fall, winter or spring and re-plant every 3 or 4 years; low salt

Perennial; mat-forming, dark green foliage; lavender-blue flowers; low salt

GROWTH RATE Slow Medium Fast





Grass, Aztec Ophiopogon species



Grass, saltmeadow cord Spartina patens

Juniper Juniperus species





VINES

Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness Range	Soil Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Growth Rate
Allamanda, yellow	Allamanda cathartica	9b-11	\(\rightarrow\)	Kange	IIII
Ape-ivy	Tetrastigma voinerianum	9a-11	••	~ ×	11111
Black-eyed Susan vine	Thunbergia alata	8a-11	♦ - ♦ ♦	\(\daggregar\)	11111
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Bleeding heart	Clerodendrum thomsoniae	8a-11			IIII
Bower vine	Pandorea jasminoides	10b-11	• • •	- 	IIII
Brazilian golden vine	Stigmaphyllon littorale	9b–11	••		
Bridal bouquet	Stephanotis floribunda	10b-11	••		1 0000
Confederate jasmine	Trachelospermum jasminoides	8a–11	○ - ●●	~ `	
Cross vine	Bignonia carpeolata	8a–11	♦♦ − ◊	* *	IIIII
Grape, muscadine or wild	Vitis rotundifolia	8a–11	••	- 	
Grapes	Vitis spp.	8a–11	••		1 0000 – 11111
Herald's-trumpet	Beaumontia grandiflora	10a-11	••	- <u>*</u>	Ш
Honeysuckle, coral or trumpet	Lonicera sempervirens	8a-10	♦♦ − ◊	*	IIII
Mandevilla or pink allamanda	Mandevilla spp.	9b-11	••		IIII
Monstera or splitleaf philodendron	Monstera deliciosa	10a–11	••	<i>← ★</i>	■0000
Morning-glory	Ipomoea spp.	9b-11	٥		IIIII
Passion flower or maypop	Passiflora incarnata	8a-10	◊ - ♦♦	<u>*</u>	IIII
Passion flower, corky-stem	Passiflora suberosa	9b-11	◊ - ♦♦	* *	Ш
Passion flower, incense	Passiflora x 'Incense'	9a-11	•• - ◊		Ш
Passion flower, purple	Passiflora edulis	9b-11	•• - ◊	-	IIIII
Passion flower, scarlet	Passiflora coccinea	10a-11	♦♦ - ◊		IIIII
Queens wreath	Petrea volubilis	10a–11	••	<u>*</u>	
Sky vine	Thunbergia grandiflora	8a–11	○ - ♦♦	<u> </u>	IIIII
Trumpet vine or cow itch vine	Campsis radicans	8a-9	•• - ◊	*	Ш
Virginia creeper or woodbine	Parthenocissus quinquefolia	8a–11	♦♦ - ◊	<u></u>	IIIII
White sky vine or Bengal clock vine	Thunbergia fragrans	9b-11	••	* *	Ш
Wisteria, American	Wisteria frutescens	8a–9a	••		



SOIL MOISTURE \(\rightarrow \textit{Dry} \) \(\limins \textit{Moist} \)

Mandevilla Mandevilla species

LIGHT

Honeysuckle, coral Lonicera sempervirens

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Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 솓 Shade

Requires support; can get leggy; poisonous milky sap; large, showy flowers; susceptible to magnesium deficiency; low salt; evergreen

Non-flowering; very bold texture; limited hardiness in north Florida; evergreen

Annual flowering vine; orange, yellow or white; may reseed

Named for its flowers; susceptible to nematode damage; killed to ground by freezes; low salt; evergreen

White flowers with pink throats; needs protection from wind; prefers rich, fertile soil; medium salt; evergreen

Small flower clusters; requires support to climb; needs little care once established; low salt; evergreen

Fragrant, waxy flowers; low salt; evergreen

Intensely fragrant spring blooms; evergreen; variegated forms available; low salt

Climbs by tendrils and adhesive disks; large, long-throated, reddish flowers; cross sections of stems are cross-shaped; evergreen; low salt; native

Grows slowly at first; many varieties; disease-resistant; self-fertile; purple fruit in August; deciduous; low salt; native

There are many types of grapes well suited to growing in Florida. Contact your local County Cooperative Extension Service

Large, heavy vine requires strong support; low salt; evergreen

Reddish tubular flowers attract butterflies and hummingbirds; red fall berries; evergreen; wildlife value; medium salt; native

Trumpet-shaped large, showy pink flowers with darker throats; cold-sensitive; evergreen; medium salt

Edible fruit with pineapple-banana taste; large leaves, variegated varieties available; not frost-tolerant; low salt; evergreen

Beach dune pioneer; can be trained over a trellis; high salt; evergreen; native

Will sucker some distance away; dies back to ground after freeze; showy flowers; large edible fruit that pop when squashed; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Older vines have deeply grooved, corky stems; tiny flowers, small purple fruits; variation in leaf shape; butterfly attractor; evergreen; medium salt; native

Showy flowers are self-sterile; butterfly attractor; evergreen; wildlife value; low salt

Subtropical species; tolerates cool periods and slight frosts for short time; many varieties available; butterfly attractor; edible fruit; evergreen; low salt

Exotic, bright scarlet flowers; more tropical than P. edulis; heavily damaged by nematodes; vigorous vine requires strong support; butterfly attractor; evergreen; low salt

Woody vine; persistent showy flower; used in south Florida as wisteria substitute; prefers rich, sandy soil; low salt; evergreen

Best in hot, sunny locations; wintering flower, but some color in all Florida zones; deciduous in north Florida, evergreen in south Florida; low salt

Large orange tubular flowers; sap is a mild skin irritant; may become invasive and very weedy; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Five leaflets distinguish it from poison ivy; purple fruit, fall foliage; climbs by adhesive pads which may cause damage; deciduous; wildlife value; low salt; native

Large white flowers with white throats; vigorously aggressive; evergreen; low salt

Small leaves and flowers; suited to small areas; grows best in north Florida; low salt; deciduous; native

GROWTH RATE







* Soil moisture and light listed in order of plant preference



Confederate jasmine Trachelospermum jasminoides

Virginia creeper Parthenocissus quinquefolia



Common Name	FLOW	ERS					
Agapanthus Agapanthus africanus 88-11 4 - 0 2 1111 Ageratum or floss flower Ageratum houstonianum 8a-11 4 - 0 2 1111 Alder, yellow, or sage rose Tumera ulmifolia 100-11 4 3 1111 Amarylis Hippeastrum hybrids 8a-90 40 2 1111 Aster, Stokes' Aster dumosus 8a-10b 40 2 1111 Aster, Stokes' Stokesia laevis 8a-10b 40 2 1111 Balloon flower Playcodon grandiflorus 8a-10b 40 2 1111 Balloon flower Playcodon grandiflorus 8a-10b 40 4 11 1111 Beantlongue, white, or princland pensternon Pensternan multiflorus 8a-11 0 3 1111 Beardingue, wax Begonia x semperflorens-cultorum 8a-11 0 2 1111 Bird-of-paradise Strelizio regione 9a-11 4 4 1111 Bird-of-paradise Strelizio regi				Moisture		Size	Growth
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SOIL MOISTURE O Dry 66 Moist 6666 Wet

LIGHT — Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 🥿 Shade

Herbaceous; showy blue and white flowers; short-lived in south Florida; needs protection in northern zones; low salt

Not very heat-resistant; cold-tender; problems with aphids, red spiders and leafhoppers; varied spring and summer flowers; requires well-drained soil

Showy yellow flowers; annual in north Florida, perennial in central Florida; evergreen; high salt

Perennial; varied spring flowers; may require winter rest to flower well; medium salt

Perennial; clump-forming; pale-blue to sky-blue flowers, late summer through winter; low salt; native

Perennial; sprawling; flower color varies; fall blooms; likes sand; low salt; wildlife value; native

Low-growing perennial; flowers from deep to pale blue and pink in color; spreads by stolons

Perennial; medium green leaves; flower bud resembles an inflated balloon; star-like flowers, 2-3 inches, in blue, pink and white; slow to emerge in spring; low salt

Perennial; basal rosette; snapdragon family; white spring, summer and fall flowers; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Perennial; needs good drainage; succulent star-shaped leaves, pink flowers, green and purple foliage; needs protection in northern zones; low salt

Cold-tender; sun-adapted cultivars available; leaves can be green, bronze or mahogany red; damaged by nematodes; does best during cooler months; likes acidic soil; low salt

Perennial; plant in protected locations in central Florida; spreads laterally with age; old clumps may be 10 feet across; orange or blue flowers; likes acidic soil; low salt

Annual; not damaged by root-knot nematodes; yellow petals with brown centers; spring, summer and fall flowers; native

Annual or perennial; does well in sand; reseeds readily; bi-color rayed flowers; great color variation; few insect problems; high salt; native

Perennial; dramatic spikes of small, thread-like clusters of purple or white flowers in spring, summer and fall; low salt; native

Annual; blue flowers in summer and fall; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

Herbaceous; weak, short-lived perennial; lovely blue or white flowers; native

Perennial; important nectar and larval plant; orange or red spring, summer and fall flowers; likes poor, acidic, well-drained soil; wildlife value; medium salt; native

Perennial; branched stalks of white, button-like flowers from weakly spiny, yucca-like leaves; blooms in spring, summer and fall; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Perennial; colors can be striped or splashed; dwarf cultivars available; problems with canna leaf roller; frost-sensitive; low salt

Perennial; good all-around groundcover; comes back from freezes; yellow spring and summer flowers; prefers wet sites and sandy soil; low salt; native

Perennial; stalks of intensely red flowers in spring, summer and fall; wildlife value; low salt; native; threatened

Perennial; hardiness varies with cultivar; divide in spring; pinching increases bushiness and flowering; problems with nematodes, mites, thrips and aphids; not recommended for south Florida; fall blooms; low salt

Weak, short-lived perennial; long, tubular, varied-colored flower tipped with black and white; spring and summer blooms; needs protection in northern zones; wildlife value; low salt

Annual; bright spring flowers; many cultivars available; damaged by root-knot nematodes; cold-tender; likes sandy soil; low salt

Herbaceous; short-lived perennial; multicolored leaves; not drought-tolerant; likes fertile, well-drained soil; low salt

Perennial; found on disturbed sites; yellow petals with brown centers; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Perennial; also called tick-seed; not damaged by root-knot nematode; remove faded flowers to prolong bloom; reseeds; yellow spring and summer flowers; tolerant of well-drained, poor soil; low salt

Annual; mutliple colors, spring and summer blooms; cold-tender; may need staking; reseeds; prefers dry, infertile soil; low salt

Perennial; cold-hardy; amaryllis family; white or yellow flowers in winter and spring; prefers clay or alkaline soil; low salt



FLOW	E R S					
Common Name	Scientific Name	Florida Hardiness	Soil Moisture	Light	Mature Size	Growth
		Range	Range*	Range*	(feet)	Rate
Crinum-lily	Crinum spp.	8a–10b	** - ***	-	4	
Daisy, African bush	Euryops chrysanthemoides	9b-11	••		3	
Daisy, sea oxeye	Borrichia frutescens	8b-11	** - ***		3	
Daylily	Hemerocallis hybrids	8a-10b	○ - ♦ •		2	
Dicerandra	Dicerandra linearifolia	8a–9a	٥		1.5x1	
Dotted horsemint or spotted bee balm	Monarda punctata	8a-11	○ - ♦ ♦	- -	4	Ш
Dusty-miller	Senecio cineraria	8a-11	♦ - • • •	* *	1	
Fancy-leaved caladium	Caladium x hortulanum	8a-11	••	<i>△ ×</i>	1.5	
Florida green eyes	Berlandiera subacaulis	8a-11	٥		1.5	IIIII
Four-oʻclock or marvel-of-Peru	Mirabilis jalapa	8a–11	••- ◊	* *	2	IIIII
Gaura or whirling butterflies	Guara lindheimeri	8a-9b	٥	-	2x4	
Gerbera daisy	Gerbera jamesonii	8b-11	••	<u>*</u>	1.5	
Ginger, butterfly	Hedychium coronarium	8a-11	**** - **	<i>△ ×</i>	5	IIIII
Ginger, shell	Alpinia zerumbet	9a-11	••	- <u>*</u>	8	IIIII
Globe amaranth	Gomphrena globosa	8a-11	♦ - ••	-\	2	IIIII
Goldenrod, seaside	Solidago sempervirens	8a-11	♦♦ − ◊	- <u>*</u> -	5	Ш
Heliotrope	Heliotropium spp.	9b-11	♦♦ − ◊		2	IIIII
Impatiens	Impatiens spp.	9a-11	••	<i>△ ×</i>	2	Ш
Indian paint brush	Carphephorus corymbosus	8a-11	٥		4	
Iris, African	Dietes spp.	9b-10b	♦ - • •	* *	3	
Iris, blue flag, anglepod, Dixie or prairie	Iris hexagona	8a–11	••	* *	3	
Iris, walking	Neomarica spp.	8b-11	♦ - • •	*	1–2	IIIII
Ironweed	Veronia spp.	8a–9b	♦♦ − ◊		6	IIII
Jack-in-the-pulpit	Arisaema triphyllum	8a-10b	••	~	1x1	
Jacobinia	Justicia spp.	9a-10b	••	~ *	2x4	
Kalanchoe	Kalanchoe blossfeldiana	9b-11	٥	* *	1.5	
Lantana, Florida, or shrub verbena	Lantana depressa	9a-11	♦♦ − ◊	- *	2	11100
Lantana, gold mound	Lantana camara 'Gold Mound'	9b-11	٥		3	
Lantana, trailing	Lantana montevidensis	9a-11	٥		2	
Lizard's tail	Saururus cernuus	8b-11	*** - **	2	3	
Lupine, sky-blue	Lupinus diffusus	8a-10b	٥		1.5x1.5	
Marigold	Tagetes spp.	8a-11	••		2	Ш

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LIGHT — Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 🛆 Shade

SOIL MOISTURE O Dry 66 Moist

Not a true lily, white, pink and red forms, some striped or multi-colored; blooms in spring and summer; problem with chewing insects and caterpillars; prone to leaf spot in south Florida; likes sandy soil; medium salt

Showy yellow flowers; evergreen; low salt

Perennial; forms extensive colonies; silvery foliage, yellow flowers; in southeast Florida, Borrichia arborescens—has dark green leaves; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

Herbaceous; showy yellow, pink or orange flowers in spring, summer and fall; high salt

Perennial; attractive purple flowers in spring, fall or early winter; low salt; native

Perennial; aromatic foliage; likes sandy soil; high salt; wildlife value; native

Annual; tolerates heat; versatile border plant; silver/gray woolly foliage, yellow spring blooms; must re-plant every few years; does well in dry or sandy soil; low salt

Herbaceous; arrowhead-shaped multicolored leaves, green spring flower; needs protection in northern zones; low salt

Perennial; greenish-yellow flower; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Perennial; tunnel-shaped flowers open overnight; often reseeds; blooms in spring, summer and fall; can be weedy; low salt

Perennial; open form; dark green small linear leaves; best if grown in masses; red, pink or white flowers occur on long spikes; drought-tolerant; moderate salt

Perennial; daisy-type flowers; single and double flowers available; can't be planted too deep-sand in crown rots plant; low salt

Perennial herb; large white spring flowers; needs protection in northern zones; moderate salt

Herbaceous; dark green foliage, white and yellow flowers on canes; blooms in spring and winter; doesn't bloom when frozen; moderate salt

Annual; showy, clover-like flower heads; cold-tender; blooms in spring and summer; likes sandy soil; low salt

Perennial; doesn't cause allergies; yellow spring and fall blooms; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

Perennial; many colors of flowers; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Annual; reseeds in moist areas; not frost-hardy; may require watering during hottest months; likes sandy soil; low salt

Perennial; aster family; flattish heads of tubular rose-colored flowers; fall blooms; prefers acidic soil; low salt; native

Perennial; spreads by rhizomes; flowers in many colors; likes sandy soil; low salt

Perennial; found in swamps and wet prairies in north and central Florida; blue spring flowers; likes acidic or sandy soil; low salt; native

White, blue or yellow iris-like flowers on a grass-like mass of leaves; spreads by plantlets; low salt

Perennial; intense purple-pink flowers in flat-topped clusters in summer and fall; low salt; native

Perennial; palmately compound leaf; bright red berries; colony-forming; prefers alkaline soils; low salt; native

Perennial; used as a background in masses; showy inflorescence in shades of pink, white and yellow; low salt

Perennial; succulent, often invasive; spring and summer scarlet blooms; prefers sandy soil; medium salt

Perennial; excellent drought tolerance; yellow flowers; prefers sandy soil; high salt; native

Perennial; gold mound is sterile variety; too much water and fertilizer reduce blooming; foliage damaged at 25°F, freezes to ground at 20°F; does well in sandy, dry sites; high salt; evergreen

Perennial; won't tolerate foot traffic or mowing; foliage damaged at 25°F, freezes to ground around 20°F; purple flowers; does well in sandy, dry sites; high salt; evergreen

Annual; nodding spikes of white flowers; rhizomatous; forms extensive colonies; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Perennial; leaves covered with silvery silky hairs; sky-blue flowers mid-winter to spring; low salt; native

Annual; summer heat causes temporary decline in flowering; not damaged by nematodes; yellow or orange flowers in spring, summer and fall; tolerates dry soil; low salt

GROWTH RATE

Slow Medium Fast

FLOW	ERS	Florida	Soil		Mature	
Common Name	Scientific Name	Hardiness Range	Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Size (feet)	Growth Rate
Mexican sunflower	Tithonia diversifolia	9b-11	Ò − ♦ ♦		6	III 00
Mexican zinnia	Tithonia rotundifolia	8a-11	♦ ♦		3–5	IIIII
Milkweed, scarlet or blood flower or tropical	Asclepias curassavica	9b-11	Ó – 🍑	- *	4	IIII
Mistflower	Conoclinium coelestinum	8a-11	♦♦ - ◊	- -	2	
Moss-rose or portulaca	Portulaca grandiflora	8a-11	≬ – ♦♦		0.5	
Pentas	Pentas lanceolata	8a-11	♦ - • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • 	* *	4	IIIII
Periwinkle	Catharanthus roseus	8a-11	♦♦ − ◊		1.5	
Petunia	Petunia x hybrida	8a-11	••		1.5	
Phlox, garden	Phlox drummondii	8a-11	Ò − ♦ ♦	* *	0.5	IIII
Phlox, moss	Phlox subulata	8a-9b	♦♦ − ◊		3	Ш
Phlox, woodland	Phlox divaricata	8a-9a	Ò − ♦ ♦	***	1	IIII
Poppy mallow	Callirhoe papaver	8a–9a	♦♦ − ◊		1.5×1	IIII
Porterweed	Stachytarpheta spp.	9a-11	♦♦ − ◊	<u></u>	1.5	IIII
Purple coneflower	Echinacea purpurea	8a-11	◊ - ♦ ♦		2	
Rain-lily	Zephyranthes spp.	8a-11	**** - **	***	1	10000
Sage, lyre-leaved	Salvia lyrata	8a-11	♦♦ − ◊	* *	1.5	
Sage, scarlet	Salvia splendens	8a-11	••	* *	2	IIII
Sage, tropical	Salvia coccinea	8a-11	◊ - ♦♦		2	Ш
Scrub mints	Conradina spp.	8a-9a	٥		3x3	10000
Sedum or ice plant	Sedum spp.	8a-10b	♦♦ − ◊		2x2	Ш
Shrub rose	Rosa x 'Knock Out'	8a-10b	♦♦ − ◊		3x3.5	IIIII
Silkgrass	Pityopsis graminifolia	8a-11	◊ - ♦ •	*	3	
Snapdragon	Antirrhinum majus	8a-11	••	* *	2	IIII
Society garlic	Tulbaghia violacea	8a-11	••	<u>*</u>	2	
Spider-lily or beach-lily	Hymenocallis spp.	9a-11	○ - ♦♦♦♦	* *	3	
Spiderwort, blue	Tradescantia ohiensis	8a-11	♦♦ − ◊	* *	3	
Spiral ginger	Costus barbatus	8a-11	Ò − ♦ ♦	*	5	
String-lily	Crinum americanum	8a-11	** - ***	- <u>*</u>	1.5	
Sunflower, narrow-leaved	Helianthus angustifolius	8a-9b	** - ***		6	
Sweet William	Dianthus barbatus	8a-9b	♦ - ♦ •	*	1.5	
Twinflower	Dyschoriste oblongifolia	8b-11	٥		0.5	Ш
Verbena, Florida native or coastal mock	Glandularia spp.	8a-11	◊ - ♦♦	*	1.5	IIII
Verbena, moss	Glandularia pulchella (Verbena tenusecta)	8a-11	◊ - ♦♦		0.5	IIIII

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•••• Wet

Moist

SOIL MOISTURE O Dry

LIGHT — Full Sun — Partial Sun — Shade

Perennial; can be invasive; roots easily; heat- and drought-resistant; yellow spring and summer flowers smell like honey; likes sandy soil; medium salt; wildlife value

Annual flowering; large orange-to-gold daisy; may reseed; usually dies back in summer; butterfly attractor

Perennial; orange, red or yellow flowers in spring, summer and fall; can become leggy; likes sandy soil; wildlife value; low salt

Perennial; fluffy blue flowers on stalks; hardy, adaptable; plant in north Florida April-May, in central Florida March-April and September-October, in south Florida November-February; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Annual; excellent groundcover; low-growing, fleshy succulent, often with reddish stems; flowers in many colors, short-lived but prolific; cold-tender; likes sandy soil; medium salt

Perennial; magenta, pink, lilac or white showy flower clusters; likes sandy soil; wildlife value; low salt

Herbaceous; can be invasive; needs protection in northern zones; variety of flower colors; good in dry sandy or coastal sites; high salt

Popular annual; many forms and colors available; fall, winter and spring flowers; cold-hardy to 20°F, can't tolerate heat; problems with crown rot, aphids and nematodes; low salt

Annual; clusters of 1-inch flowers of varied colors; used along roadways and large open areas for effect; reseeds; cold-hardy; low salt

Perennial; spreading and mat-forming; blue, purple or lavender spring flowers; cold-hardy; likes sandy soil; low salt

Perennial; rich purple-pink flowers in spring; prefers some protection from midday sun

Perennial; slender herb; flowers, 2-3 inches wide, bright purple-pink and poppy-like; low salt; native

Perennial; many different-colored flowers available; needs protection in northern zones; likes sandy soil; attracts butterflies; high salt; S. jamaicensis is native

Perennial; clumping; long-lasting cut flowers; purple flowers in spring and summer; prefers well-drained soil; medium salt; native

Perennial; herbaceous; grass-like foliage; purple, white and pink flowers; blooms after rains during warm weather; high salt; native

Perennial; lyre-shaped red markings on leaves; slender stalks, purple spring flowers; mint family; many species available; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Annual or perennial; red spring and summer blooms; cut back for multiple flowering; attracts hummingbirds; likes sandy soil; wildlife value; low salt

Perennial; reseeds profusely; likes sandy soil but tolerates alkalinity; wildlife value; medium salt; native

Small evergreen shrub with aromatic leaves; attractive white-to-pink flowers from spring to fall; moderate salt; native

Perennial; clump-forming; dark green 5-inch leaves; in early autumn, dense clusters of flowers turn deep pink, then copper-red; moderate salt

One of the "care-free" roses; disease- and black spot-resistant; near constant flowering; single, cherry red flowers; low salt

Perennial; grass-like, narrow linear leaves with silvery pubescence; yellow spring, summer and fall flowers; likes acidic soil; low salt; native

Annual; many cultivars available; remove spent flowers for re-bloom; damaged by root-knot nematodes; winter and spring flowers

Herbaceous; garlic-scented purple flowers in spring, summer and fall; doesn't bloom well in shade; moderate salt

Perennial; showy white fragrant flowers that attract hawkmoths; stalks grow from strap-like leaves; native

Perennial; rhizomatous; forms clumps; blue flowers; native

Perennial; also called red torch ginger; showy, waxy red flowers atop tall stalks in spring, summer and fall; large spiral-arranged leaves; sprawling, spreading clump; likes sandy soil; medium salt

Herbaceous; forms solid cover in wet areas; fragrant white spring and summer flowers; poisonous; likes sandy soil; needs protection in northern zones; high salt; native

Perennial; bright-yellow rayed flowers in summer and fall; prefers acidic and sandy soil; low salt; native

Annual; hardy, grows in north Florida winter; lightly damaged by root-knot nematodes; purple or red flowers in spring, fall and winter; likes sandy soil; low salt

Perennial; also called oblongleaf twinflower; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Annual or perennial; reseeding; doesn't like mulch; variety of flower colors; prefers sandy soil; G. maritima good for beach areas; native

Annual; finely divided leaves; prostrate growth habit; drought-tolerant; can sustain itself with infrequent mowing; purple spring, summer and fall flowers; likes sandy soil; low salt

GROWTH RATE

Slow Medium Fast

FLOWERS

		Florida	Soil	Liebs	Mature	Cucusto
Common Name	Scientific Name	Hardiness Range	Moisture Range*	Light Range*	Size (feet)	Growth Rate
Verbena, purpletop or roadside	Verbena bonariensis	8a–9b	٥	*	4	IIIII
Verbena, Tampa	Glandularia tampensis (Verbena tampensis)	9b-11	♦♦ − ◊		2	
Violet, Florida or common blue	Viola spp.	8a-11	••	* *	0.5	
Wild columbine	Aquilegia canadensis	8a–9a	♦♦ − ◊	<i>← ★</i>	3	
Wild-petunia	Ruellia caroliniensis	8a-11	○ - ••	* *	1.5	
Wishbone flower or bluewing	Torenia fournieri	9a-11	••	* *	1	
Woodland pinkroot or Indian pink	Spigelia marilandica	8a-9a	••	~ *	2	11100
Yarrow	Achillea millefolium	8a–9b	♦♦ − ◊	*	1.5	
Yellow buttons	Balduina angustifolia	8a-10b	♦♦ − ◊	- <u>*</u>	2x3	IIII
Yellowtop	Flaveria linearis	8b-11	♦♦ − ◊	- -	4	Ш
Yucca	Yucca spp.	8a-11	٥		4–5	1 0000

SOIL MOISTURE O Dry 66 Moist

LIGHT 🔆 Full Sun 📥 Partial Sun 솓 Shade



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Mexican sunflower Tithonia diversifolia

Daylily

Hemerocallis hybrids



Silkgrass *Pityopsis graminifolia*

Cigar flower Cuphea species



Perennial; upright; attracts butterflies; purple flowers in spring and summer; low salt; wildlife value

Perennial; purple flower clusters atop long stalks; blooms in spring, summer and fall; likes sandy soil; wildlife value; high salt; native; endangered

Perennial; also known as common blue violet; blue spring blooms; likes sandy soil; low salt; native

Perennial; dainty plant with nodding blooms; red or yellow spring flowers; endangered; prefers alkaline soil; low salt; wildlife value; native

Perennial; showy pale-blue spring and summer flowers; good for shady areas; freezes to ground in north Florida; low salt; native

Annual; escaped cultivation is found on disturbed sites; blooms in spring, fall and winter

Perennial; red and yellow blooms in spring and summer; prefers acidic and sandy soil; wildlife value; low salt; native

Weak, short-lived perennial; white or pink spring flowers; clumping growth habit; cold-hardy; low salt; native

Annual; rounded growth form; yellow aster-like flowers appear in fall and winter; well adapted to sandy soil; moderate salt; native

Perennial; goldenrod relative with showy flat-topped clusters of small yellow flowers; likes sandy soil; high salt; native

Erect succulent plant; many cultivars and species; leaves often have spines at tips

GROWTH RATE











FLOWERS







Purple coneflower *Echinacea purpurea*





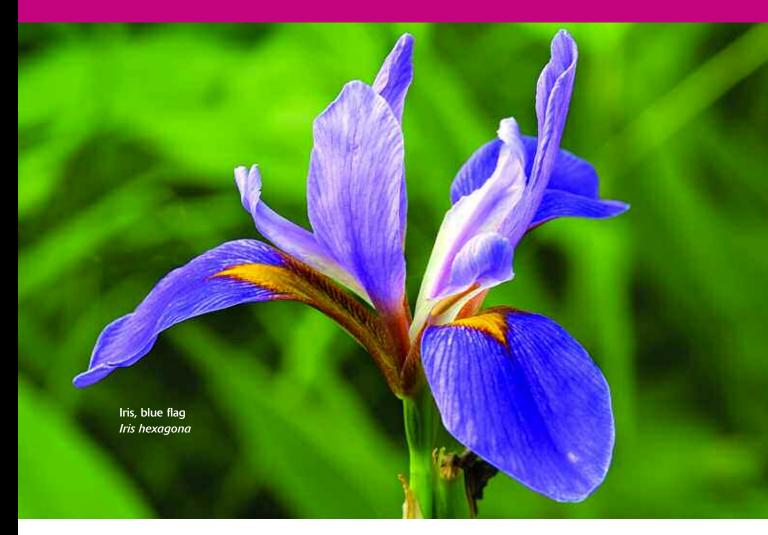
Dotted horsemint *Monarda punctata*



Porterweed *Stachytarpheta* species



FLOWERS







Mistflower Conoclinium coelestinum



Sage, tropical Salvia coccinea



Wild-petunia
Ruellia caroliniensis



Butterfly weed

Asclepias tuberosa



Wild columbine

Aquilegia canadensis



Rain-lily *Zephyranthes* species



Glossary

acid — A condition which is derived by partial exchange of replaceable hydrogen; an element that is sour; on the pH scale, acid conditions are any pH below 7.0, which is neutral.

alkaline — The condition of water or soil that contains an amount of alkali substances (various soluble salts) to raise the pH above 7.0; when extreme, alkalinity is caustic.

aquifer — A layer of underground rock or sand which stores and carries water.

brackish — Somewhat salty.

conserve — To use only what is needed.

deciduous — Losing foliage in autumn or winter.

drawdown — Lowered water level.

ecotones — Regions where one ecosystem blends into another.

epiphyte — A plant that gets its moisture and nutrients from the air and rain.

groundcover — Small plants that live close to the ground.

groundwater — Water below the earth's surface.

hammock — Forest of broad-leafed trees and cabbage palms.

herbaceous — Having the texture, color or appearance of a leaf, with little or no woody tissue.

humus — Decomposed plant or animal matter; the organic portion of soil.

hydric — Characterized by abundant moisture.

inorganic — Composed of matter other than plant or animal.

leach — To pass through by percolation.

marl — A loose earthy deposit containing a substantial amount of calcium carbonate; used for soils deficient in lime.

mesic — Moist conditions; characterized by a moderate amount of moisture.

microclimate — A small-scale site of special conditions within a larger climate.

plat — A plan or map of a piece of land.

potable — Water suitable for human consumption.

practical turf area — A place where grass serves a function, such as a child's or pet's play area.

recharge area — A place where water is able to seep into the ground and replenish an aquifer because no confining layer is present.

saline — Containing salt.

saltwater intrusion — When salt water moves into the freshwater zone of an aquifer, making the water unfit for drinking.

shrub strata — The shrub layer of a forest community, under the canopy and understory tree species.

sinkhole — A hole in the ground caused by erosion of underground limestone.

stormwater runoff — Rainwater that runs off surfaces into water bodies.

succession — A series of ecosystem changes where plants compete, succeeding and displacing each other as they respond to, and so modify, their environment.

topography — Natural features of land.

understory — The vegetative layer under a forest canopy, but above the shrub and groundcover layers.

water resource caution areas — Areas identified by the water management districts where existing sources of water may not be adequate to supply water for future human needs while maintaining water resources and related natural systems.

water table — The upper limit of where groundwater permeates the ground.

wetlands — Areas containing much soil moisture.

xeric — Characterized by dry conditions; requiring only a small amount of moisture.

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Jatropha integerrima		Myrica cerifera	•
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Juniperus procumbens		Nolina recurvata	, ,
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Lantana montevidensis	_	Osmunda regalis	
Lantana montevidensis	_	Ostrya virginiana	
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Parthenocissus quinquefolia		Quercus hemisphaerica	
Paspalum notatum	.Grass, bahia	Quercus incana	.Oak, bluejack
Paspalum vaginatum	.Seashore paspalum	Quercus laevis	.Oak, turkey
Passiflora coccinea	.Passion flower, scarlet	Quercus laurifolia	.Oak, diamond leaf
Passiflora edulis	.Passion flower, purple	Quercus lyrata	.Oak, overcup
Passiflora incarnata	.Passion flower	Quercus michauxii	.Oak, swamp chestnut
Passiflora suberosa	.Passion flower,	Quercus myrtifolia	
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Passiflora x 'Incense'		Quercus phellos	
Peltophorum pterocarpum		Quercus shumardii	
Penstemon multiflorus		Quercus virginiana	.Oak, live
Pentas lanceolata		Randia aculeata	
Persea americana		Rapanea punctata	- ,
Persea borbonia	.Redbay	Rhamnus caroliniana	
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Persea palustris	,	Rhapidophyllum hystrix	
Petrea volubilis		Rhapis excelsa	
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Philadelphus coronarius		Rhododendron austrinum	
Philodendron selloum	•	Rhododendron canescens	
Phlox divaricata	.Phlox, woodland	Rhododendron minus var. chapmanii	
Phlox drummondii	.Phlox, garden	,	Chapman's
Phlox subulata	.Phlox, moss	Rhododendron spp	•
Phoenix canariensis	.Canary Island date palm	Rosa laevigata	
Phoenix rupicola	,	Rosa x 'Knock Out'	
Phoenix sylvestris	.Wild date palm	Rosa x 'Red Carpet'	.Groundcover rose
Photinia glabra		Rosmarinus officinalis	
Pimenta dioica	.Allspice	Roystonea regia	.Florida royal palm
Pinus clausa	.Pine, sand	Rubus cultivar Brazos	.Blackberry
Pinus elliottii	.Pine, slash	Rudbeckia hirta	.Black-eyed Susan
Pinus elliottii var. densa	.Pine, South Florida slash	Ruellia caroliniensis	.Wild-petunia
Pinus glabra	.Pine, spruce	Rumohra adiantiformis	.Fern, leatherleaf
Pinus palustris	.Pine, long-leaf	Russelia equisetiformis	.Firecracker plant
Pinus taeda	,	Sabal etonia	•
Piscidia piscipula		Sabal minor	·
Pityopsis graminifolia	=	Sabal palmetto	
Platanus occidentalis	,	Salix babylonica	
Platycladus orientalis		Salvia coccinea	•
Platycodon grandiflorus		Salvia lyrata	- ,
Plumbago auriculata	0	Salvia splendens	_
Plumeria spp	· .	Sambucus nigra subsp. canadensis	
Podocarpus macrophyllus		Sapindus marginatus	
Portulaca grandiflora		Sassafras albidum	
Pouteria campechiana		Saururus cernuus	
Prunus angustifolia		Savia bahamensis	
Prunus caroliniana	,	Scaevola plumieri	
Prunus persica		Schaefferia frutescens	
Prunus umbellata		Sedum spp	
Pseudophoenix sargentii		Senecio cineraria	-
Psychotria ligustrifolia		Senna mexicana var. chapmanii	
Psychotria nervosa		Serenoa repens	
Ptychosperma macarthurii		Sesuvium portulacastrum	•
Punica granatum		Severinia buxifolia	.DOXUIOTII
Pyracantha coccinea		Sideroxylon foetidissimum	Mastic
Pyrus calleryana		(= Mastichodendron foetidissimum)	
Pyrus communis 'Hood'		Sideroxylon tenax (= Bumelia tenax)	
Quercus alba		Simarouba glauca	
Quercus chapmanii		Sisyrinchium angustifolium	
Quercus geminata	.Oak, sand live	Solidago sempervirens	.Goldenrod, seaside

Sophora tomentosa var. truncata	Yellow necklace pod	Ulmus americana	.Elm, American
Sorghastrum secundum		Ulmus parvifolia	.Elm, Chinese
Spartina alterniflora		Uniola paniculata	
Spartina bakeri		Vaccinium arboreum	
Spartina patens		Vaccinium cormybosum	'
Spathodea campanulata		Vaccinium cultivars	
Spigelia marilandica	Woodland pinkroot	Vaccinium darrowii	,
Spiraea cantoniensis		Vaccinium myrsinites	, .
Spiraea thunbergii		Verbena bonariensis	
Sporobolus virginicus		Veronia spp	
Stachytarpheta jamaicensis	·	Viburnum dentatum	
Stachytarpheta spp		Viburnum obovatum	
Stenocarpus sinuatus		Viburnum odoratissimum	,
Stenocarpus sindutus		Viburnum rufidulum	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Stephanotis floribunda		Viburnum suspensum	
Sterculia foetida		Vinca spp	
Stigmaphyllon littorale		Viola spp	
Stokesia laevis	_		
		Vitex agnus-castus	
Strelitzia nicolai		•	
Strelitzia reginae	•	Vitis spp.	
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Suriana maritima		Wisteria frutescens	
Swietenia mahagoni		x Citrofortunella microcarpa	
Syagrus romanzoffiana		Ximenia americana	
Tabebuia spp	•	Yucca aloifolia	' '
Tabernaemontana divaricata		Yucca elephantipes	
Tagetes spp	_	Yucca filamentosa	
Tamarindus indica		Yucca spp	
Taxodium ascendens	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	Zamia floridana (Z. pumila)	
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Ternstroemia gymnanthera		Zanthoxylum fagara	
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Thrinax morrisii	•		
Thrinax radiata			
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Thunbergia erecta			
Thunbergia fragrans			
Thunbergia grandiflora	The state of the s		
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