

## ANNUALS

Common Name: Celosia (Devil's Breath)

Botanical Name: *Celosia argentea*

Type: Annual

Height: 6-24 inches

Light: Direct sunlight

Moisture: Regular watering

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Yellow, pink, red blazing plumes and foliage

Comments: Attracts bees and butterflies, container growing or inground, pinch back stems, bushier plant

Common Name: Coleus

Botanical Name: *Plectranthus*

Type: Annual, sometimes tender perennial

Height: 24 - 30" tall and wide

Light: Partial shade to shade

Moisture: Keep moist

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Small white blooms

Comments:

Common Name: Rooster Comb; Woolflower

Botanical Name: *Celosia cristata*

Type: Annual but reseeds itself freely

Height: A few inches to a few feet

Light: Full sun to partially shaded; sun best

Moisture: Moist but not wet

Soil: Rich and well-drained

Bloom: Red, yellow, orange, gold, bronze feathery plume; resembles rooster's comb

Comments: Somewhat drought tolerant; little to no blooms if soil gets chilled; not cold tolerant; somewhat resistant to insects and disease

Larkspur Seed Packet

Plant now for spring blooms

Put seeds in paper towel; moisten & put in plastic bag for 2 weeks in fridge

Sow in raked area 1/4" deep. Then rake again to cover slightly; keep moist. Sow in fall for spring flowers

## **BROMELIADS**

Common Name: Bromeliad "Earth Star"

Botanical Name: *Cryptanthus bivittatus*

Type: Perennial bromeliad

Height: 6-8"

Light: Full sun

Moisture: Water when soil dries

Soil: Needs excellent drainage

Bloom:

Comments:

Common Name: Bromeliad "Luna"

Botanical Name: *Neoregelia "Luna"*

Type: Perennial

Height: 8" to 15"

Light: Partial shade to partial sun

Moisture: Moist

Soil: Well drained; cactus/bromeliad mix

Blooms: Small purple flowers in center cup

Comments: Good houseplant; containers; ground cover

Common Name: Bromeliad "Duchess Tears"

Botanical Name: *Billbergia nutans*

Type: Perennial evergreen

Height: 18"-24"

Light: Partial shade

Moisture: Average, do not overwater

Soil: Soil mixture, orchid soil mix, well drained

Blooms: Bright pink bracts & green petaled flowers trimmed in blue with long yellow stamens

Comments: Good houseplant-container growing

Common Name: Bromeliad "Princess Tears"

Botanical Name: *Billbergia nutans*

Type: Perennial evergreen

Height: 18"-24"

Light: Partial shade

Moisture: Average, do not overwater

Soil: Soil mixture, orchid soil mix, well drained

Blooms: Bright pink bracts & green petaled flowers trimmed in blue with long yellow stamens

Comments: Good houseplant-container growing

Common Name: Bromeliad "Painted Fingernails"

Botanical Name: *Neoreglia spectabilis*

Type: Bromeliad

Height: 15"

Light: Inside by sunny window/outside shade

Water: When soil dry down 2/3"

Bloom: Inside cup-dome of tiny white flowers

Comments: Easy care-Bring in before frost, makes "pups"

Common Name: Bromeliad "Queen's Tears"

Type: Perennial evergreen

Height: 18"-24"

Light: Partial shade

Moisture: Average, do not overwater

Soil: Orchid soil mix, well drained

Blooms: Bright pink bracts & green petaled flowers trimmed in blue with long yellow stamens

Comments: Good houseplant-container growing

Common Name: Pineapple Plant

Botanical Name: *Ananas comosus* bromeliad

Type: Shrubby bromeliad

Height: About 30 inches

Light: Full sun

Moisture: Water profusely through its life

Soil: Well-drained typical rich potting soil

Bloom: Fusion of about 200 individual flowers develop into berries develop into fruit

Comments: Fairly drought tolerant; Overwatering will drown the plant

## **BULBS**

Common Name: African False Hosta "Little White Soldiers"

Botanical Name: *Ledebouria Petiolate*

Type: Low-growing rosette of oblong leaves that arise from underground bulbs

Height: 6"-8", Width: 6"-12" ground cover

Light: Shade to partial shade

Moisture: moderate moisture

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: White, bell-shaped flowers in dense clusters at end of stalk

Comments: Evergreen unless temps below freezing, re-sprout in spring. Can be grown in container or ground. Spotted foliage-darker green to dark purple.

Common Name: Canna

Botanical Name: Cannaceae

Type: Bulb

Height: 2 to 3 feet tall

Light: Sun, half day or more

Moisture: Moderate

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Spring- Fall, clusters pink, red, or orange

Comments: Multiplies, can be divided

Common Name: Crinum " Spider Lily"

Botanical Name: *Crinum asiaticum* var. *asiaticum*

Type: Perennial Bulb

Height: 6-8 feet

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Moist

Soil: Well drained

Blooms: Pink, mauve, fuchsia, fragrant

Comments: Attracts butterflies, birds, & bees, foliage burgundy/maroon

Common Name: Red Crinum Grand

Botanical Name: *Crinum asiaticum*

Type: Perennial Bulb

Height: 8-11 feet

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Moist

Soil: Well drained

Blooms: White, pink-red, fragrant at night

Comments: Attracts butterflies, birds, & bees, foliage burgundy/maroon

Common Name: Mickey Mouse Elephant Ears  
Botanical Name: *Xanthosoma atrovirens* 'Variegatum monstrosum'  
Type: Bulb  
Height: 3-4 feet  
Light: Filtered sunlight  
Moisture: Moist soil  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Greenish white spathe with white spadix, variegated foliage  
Comments: Multiply-divide, excellent container plant indoor or outdoor, protect from freeze/mulch, dormant in winter

Common Name: Majestic Elephant Ears  
Botanical Name: *Colocasia esculenta*  
Type: Bulb  
Height: 3-6 feet  
Light: Medium to bright indirect light  
Moisture: Water once weekly or top 2" of soil is dry  
Bloom: N/A Grown for foliage  
Comments: Multiply-divide, great houseplant, entire plant edible only when cooked

Common Name: Elephant Ears, Giant  
Botanical Name: *Colocasia gigantea*  
Type: Bulbs, Perennial  
Height: 6-10 ft. tall, leaves 4-6 ft. long and 3'-5' wide  
Light: Sun or part shade  
Moisture: Moist to wet soils  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Pale yellow, pleasant perfumed flower  
Comments: Huge, heart-shaped leaves, blooms infrequent produced in summer

Common Name: Oxblood Lily, Schoolhouse Lily  
Botanical Name: *Rhodophiala bifida*  
Type: Bulb  
Height: 10"-16" and 8"-12" wide  
Light: Full sun, part shade  
Moisture: Low-moderate  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Dark red trumpets, late summer  
Comments: Multiplies, can be divided, plant 3" deep, space at 3"-6"  
Note: These plants are not blooming, picture shows what bloom looks like

Common Name: Hidden Ginger

Botanical Name: *Curcuma elat*

Type: Bulb/rhizome

Height: 2 to 3 feet

Light: Sun to shade

Moisture: Water regularly; needs 1" of moisture each week during growing season

Soil: Well-drained with lots of organic matter

Bloom: Spikes with bright pink flowers; summer

Comments: Easy outdoor plant; protect from frost; can use as table-top centerpiece or container plant; heat-loving, long-blooming tropical.

Common Name: Hardy Amaryllis-St Joseph's Lily

Botanical Name: *Hippeastrum x johnsonii*

Type: Perennial, Bulb

Height: 18-24"

Width: To 36"

Light: Full sun to part shade

Water: Well-drained soil

Bloom: Red with white stripe, spring, 4-6 blooms on a scape

## CACTUS

Common Name: Pencil cactus

Botanical Name: *Euphorbia tirucalli*

Type: Cactus

Height: Up to 25 feet tall

Light: Full sun, sunny window, warm temps not below 50°F

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Not seen

Comments: Liquid fertilizer 1/4 strength diluted, white sap-toxic, wash hands/protect eyes, excellent houseplant

Common Name: Night Blooming Cereus

Botanical Name: *Epiphyllum oxypetalum*

Type: Cactus

Height: Stems can reach 10 feet

Light: Light shade-too much shade-no blooms

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: 7" across large white flower & heavenly scent

Comments: Pollenated by a moth, blooms May-October 11:00 pm or later, a root bound cactus produces more abundant cereus flowers, protect in winter, avoid harsh sun

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Note: This plant is extremely large and heavy, be prepared for loading.

Common Name:Varigated Red Bird Cactus

Botanical Name:Pedilanthus tithymaloides

Type:Perennial, Cactus/Succulent

Height:2-6 feet

Light:Full sun to part shade

Moisture:Medium

Soil:Well drained

Bloom:Red, bird shaped blooms

Comments:Pollinated by visiting hummingbirds, drought tolerant, low maintenance, deer resistant

Common name: Mistletoe Cactus

Botanical name: Rhipsalis spp

Type: Epiphytic cactus

Height: Trailing to several feet

Light: Low to medium, no full sun

Moisture: Allow well draining potting soil to dry before watering and spray/mist the plant

Bloom: White followed by white berries

Comments: Does well indoors and in artificial light, often grown in hanging baskets

Common Name: Crown of Thorns

Botanical Name: Euphoria milii

Type: Cactus-Succulent

Height: 3'-6'

Moisture: Water every 2 weeks with fertilizer in spring, summer and fall. In winter dilute the fertilizer to half strength and use it monthly. Repot every 2 years in late winter or early spring.

Soil: needs to be one that drains quickly.

Bloom: Red

Comments: Stout gray thorns and oval leaves, protect from the cold



Common Name: Pink Crown of Thorns

Botanical Name: Euphoria milii

Type: Cactus-Succulent

Height: 3'-6'

Moisture: Water every 2 weeks with fertilizer in spring, summer and fall. In winter dilute the fertilizer to half strength and use it monthly, repot every 2 years in late winter or early spring.

Soil: needs to be one that drains quickly.

Bloom: Pink

Comments: Stout gray thorns and oval leaves, protect from the cold

Name: Crown of Thorns

Botanical Name: Euphorbia Milii

Type: Perennial, cactus, succulent

Height: 3-6 feet in height, 1-3 feet in width

Light: Full sun outdoors, indoor bright light

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Clusters, blooms year round. Red, pink and yellow.

Comments: Stout gray thorns and oval leaves. Protect from cold.

Common Name: Crown of Thorns, yellow bloom

Botanical Name: Euphoria milii

Type: Cactus-Succulent

Height: 3'-6'

Moisture: Water every 2 weeks with fertilizer in spring, summer and fall, in winter dilute the fertilizer to half strength and use it monthly. Repot every 2 years in late winter or early spring.

Soil: Needs to be one that drains quickly.

Bloom: Yellow

Comments: Stout gray thorns and oval leaves, protect from the cold

Common Name: Dancing Bones Cactus

Botanical Name: Hatiora salicornioidis

Type: Cactus

Height: 12-18", droops

Light: Bright to medium

Moisture: No soggy soils

Soils: Well drained

Bloom: Yellow

Comments: Cutting propagation, good in hanging basket

Common Name: Thornless Crown of Thorns  
Botanical Name: *Euphorbia geroldi*  
Type: Semi-succulent shrub  
Height: 12 feet  
Light: Bright shade/some sun  
Moisture: Low  
Well drained, gritty soil  
Bloom: Almost all year, red blooms  
Comments: Heat tolerant, stem cutting propagation

Common Name: Mickey Mouse Cactus  
Botanical Name: *Opuntia albata*  
Type: Cactus  
Height: 6 feet  
Light: Sun  
Moisture: Do not overwater, low  
Bloom: Yellow or violet  
Comments: Caution: glochids with spines, wrap plant with taped plastic/paper when repotting

Common Name: Ric Rac Cactus aka Zig Zag Cactus  
Botanical Name: *Selenicereus anthonyanus*  
Type: Cactus  
Height:  
Light: Indoors--bright, indirect light; Outdoors--shade  
Moisture: Low, let dry out to a depth of 1" and water thoroughly, draining well; reduce water in winter every few weeks  
Bloom: Soft pink flower, opens at night and lasts one day  
Comments: Fertilize with water-soluble fertilizer in early spring; purifies air; hanging basket/container

## EVERGREENS

Common Name: Bird of Paradise

Botanical Name: *Strelitzia reginae*

Type: Evergreen, tropical, herbaceous

Height: 36-60 inches

Light: Bright direct to bright indirect light. Can take full sun

Moisture: High humidity. Water every 1-2 weeks

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Brilliant orange and blue flowers, resembles exotic bird

Comments: Breaks & slits in leaves occur naturally help plant become more aerodynamic in wind & rain

Common Name: Night Blooming Jessamine, a/k/a Night Blooming Jasmine

Botanical Name: *Cestrum nocturnum*

Type: Evergreen shrub

Height: 8-10 feet tall & 3 feet wide

Light: partial-full sun

Moisture: water regularly

Soil: well drained

Bloom: fragrant clusters of small white-green flowers spring- late summer

Comments: Drought tolerant Zones 9-11, good containers plant, protect in winter. Pollinated by moths, bats, & night feeding birds.

Common Name: Areca Palm

Botanical Name: *Dyopsis lutescens*

Type: Evergreen Palm

Height: 6-12 feet

Light: Bright indirect light

Moisture: Allow to dry out between watering

Soil: Well drained

Blooms: Panicles of yellow flowers

Comments: Great houseplant, non-toxic to humans & pets

Common Name: Cast Iron

Botanical Name: *Aspidistra elatior*

Type: Perennial evergreen

Height: 3 feet

Light: Full shade

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Small purplish flower, opens close to ground

Comments: Drought resistant, container or in ground, slow growing, can divide, good houseplant

Common Name: Staghorn Fern  
Botanical Name: *Platycerium* spp.  
Type: Evergreen epiphytic fern  
Height: 3 feet across  
Light: Indoor/outdoor bright indirect light  
Moisture :Medium-dry out between watering  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: None  
Comments :Good houseplant, hanging basket or container, protect from freeze

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Botanical Name: *Platycerium* spp.  
Type: Evergreen epiphytic fern  
Height: 3 feet across  
Light: Indoor/outdoor bright indirect light  
Moisture :Medium-dry out between watering  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: None  
Comments :Good houseplant, hanging basket or container, protect from freeze

Common Name: Rubber Plant  
Botanical Name: *Ficus elastica*  
Type: Evergreen Tropical Tree  
Height:15-30 feet  
Light: Bright indirect light  
Moisture: Water every 1-2 weeks  
Bloom: Very small white flowers, rare to bloom  
Soil: Well drained  
Comments: Good houseplant, container growing, low maintenance, wipe dust from leaves helps with photosynthesis

Common Name: Button Fern  
Botanical Name:*Nephrolepis corifolia*  
Type: Evergreen fern  
Height: 6"-8", slow grower  
Light: Shade only  
Moisture: Moist  
Soil: Good drainage  
Bloom: N/A  
Comments: Good container plantar

Common Name: Flax Lily

Botanical Name: *Dianella tasmanica* "Variegata"

Type: Flowering evergreen perennial

Height: Up to 3 1/2 feet

Light: Full to partial shade

Moisture: Water occasionally, more in extreme heat or in containers

Soil: Well-drained; acidic to neutral

Bloom: Summer, showy blue star-shaped flowers with yellow anthers

Comments: Deer resistant; drought tolerant; attracts native birds and insects

Common Name: Tua Tua

Botanical Name: *Jatropha gossypifolia*

Type: Evergreen shrub

Height: 4 to 6 feet

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Water moderately

Soil: Well-drained

Bloom: Mid-spring through summer; bright red flower

Comments: Drought tolerant; frost tender, but can endure; invasive

## **GROUND COVERS**

Common name: Variegated Liriope, Lilyturf

Botanical name: *Liriope muscari* 'Variegata'

Type: Perennial ground cover

Height: 12-18 inches

Light: Shade to sun

Moisture: Average, likes to be well drained

Bloom: Spikes of purple flowers

Comments: A standard border plant with the added pop of yellow edging. Very hardy

Common Name: Liriope

Botanical Name: *Liriope gigantea*

Type: Perennial Evergreen, ground cover

Height: 2-3 feet

Light: Filtered sun

Moisture: Weekly watering

Soil: Well drained

Blooms: Summer, light lavender to bluish-violet flower

Comments: Grown in container or in ground, moderately drought tolerant

## HANGING BASKETS

Name: Ice Plant "Baby Sun Rose"

Botanical Name: *Aptenia cordifolia*

Type: Perennial, succulent, hanging basket

Height: Trails multiple feet

Light: Morning sun-semi shade

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Blooms: Flowers are 0.4 inches shades of pink, red, yellow, or purple

Comments: Attracts butterflies, bees, & hummingbirds, drought resistant, containers, hanging baskets or ground cover. Blooms spring-late summer.

Common Name: Creeping Inch Plant

Botanical Name: *Callisia reopens*

Type: Perennial succulent

Height: 4" height, trailing

Light: Partial shade

Moisture: Weekly watering

Soil:

Bloom:

Comments:

Common Name: Asparagus fern, spider plant, wandering purple heart

Botanical Name:

Type: Perennial

Height:

Light: Partial light

Moisture: Keep evenly moist, not wet

Soil:

Bloom:

Comments:

Common Name: Asparagus fern and wandering purple heart

Botanical Name:

Type: Perennial

Height:

Light: Partial shade

Moisture: Water weekly

Soil:

Bloom:

Comments:

Common Name: Pothos

Botanical Name: Epipremnum aureum

Type: Trailing vine

Height: 5-10 feet in length

Light: Bright indoor light, avoid direct sunlight

Moisture: Moderate, overwatering will cause root rot

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Insignificant small white flowers. Will not flower indoors

Comments: Great indoors, office or bathrooms, containers or hanging baskets, outdoors, protect from winter

Common Name: Night Blooming Cereus

Botanical Name: Epiphyllum oxypetalum ??

Type: Cactus

Height: Stems can reach 10 feet

Light: Light shade-too much shade-no blooms

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: 7" across large white flower & heavenly scent

Comments: Pollenated by a moth, blooms May-October 11:00 pm or later, a root bound cactus produces more abundant cereus flowers, protect in winter, avoid harsh sun

Common Name: Wax Plant

Botanical Name: Hoya carnosa

Type: Trailing vine

Height: Trailing stems can grow to 10 feet

Light: Bright, indirect light, sun can scorch foliage

Moisture: Dry out between watering

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Star shape cluster that look like porcelain flowers

Comments: Purifies the air, blooms spring, summer or fall, do not move plant when buds form, does well in container



Common Name: Spider Plant , solid green  
Botanical Name: Chlorophytum comosum  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 24"  
Light: Part shade-sun  
Moisture: Medium  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: White, Spring, Summer, Fall  
Comments: Purifies the air, great houseplant Indoors or outdoors, easy to grow in container or hanging basket

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Botanical Name: Chlorophytum comosum  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 24"  
Light: Part shade-sun  
Moisture: Medium  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: White, Spring, Summer, Fall  
Comments: Purifies the air, great houseplant Indoors or outdoors, easy to grow in container or hanging basket

Common Name: Heart Shaped Hoya  
Botanical Name: Hoya kerri  
Type: Succulent  
Height: Mature plants lengths of 13 feet  
Light: Partial shade to bright, indirect light  
Moisture: Low  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Clusters of white, burgundy-centered booms  
Comments: Low maintenance, drought tolerant, hanging basket, slow growing

Common Name: Peanut Cactus  
Botanical Name: Chamaecereus  
Type: Succulent  
Height: 6 feet  
Light: Sun  
Moisture: Low, do not overwater  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Bright pink blooms  
Comments: Stem propagation

Common Name: Christmas Cactus

Botanical Name: Schlumbergera bridgesii

Type: Cactus

Height: Branches 3 feet long

Light: Indoor east-facing window

Outside: Moderate light

Moisture: Moist when blooming, low otherwise

Soil: Cactus mix, well drained

Bloom: Pink

Comments: Good container growing or hanging basket, temperature 60-70

Common Name: Mixed Succulents

Botanical Name:

Type: Succulents

Height: Varied

Light: 6 hours of sunlight, no direct sunlight

Moisture: Low

Soil: Cactus mix, well-drained

Bloom: Varied

Comments: Rotate succulents 180 degrees weekly to ensure uniform and straight growth; light fertilizer spring and summer; protect in winter, indoor/outdoor

Common Name: Mixed Succulents

Botanical Name:

Type: Succulents

Height: Varied

Light: 6 hours of sunlight, no direct sunlight

Moisture: Low

Soil: Cactus mix, well-drained

Bloom: Varied, this basket is not blooming now so bloom is shown in separate picture

Comments: Rotate succulents 180 degrees weekly to ensure uniform and straight growth; light fertilizer spring and summer; protect in winter, indoor/outdoor

Common Name: Chain Plant

Botanical Name: Callisia fragrans

Type: Perennial

Height: 6 to 12 inches

Light: Sun to partial shade

Moisture: Moist

Soil: Well drained

Blooms: Small white/near white clusters

Comments: Can grow indoor or outdoor, ground cover or hanging baskets, protect in winter

## HERBS

Common Name: Sweet Basil

Botanical Name: *Ocimum basilicum*

Type: Annual herb

Height: To 3 feet

Light: Partial to full sun

Moisture: Well-drained

Bloom: White flowers

Comments: Low maintenance, good for containers, reseeds itself in spring, deer resistant

Name: Garlic Chives

Botanical Name: *Allium tuberosum*

Type: Perennial Herb

Height: 12-15 inches

Light: Full sun

Moisture: Moist but not soggy

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Grass like leaves & abundant flowers, pleasant fragrance

Comments: Culinary use & ornamental, stir fry leaves & flowers, in salads, soups, & garnish. Dry or freeze. Containers or beds. Attracts butterflies.

Common Name: Chile Pequin-Chile Petin

Botanical Name: *Capsicum annuum*

Type: Herb, perennial native

Height: 1-3 feet

Light: Sun, part shade, shade medium:Low

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Flower Bisexual, fruit, green turning red when ripe, edible

Comments: Attracts birds, deer resistant

Common name: Dominican Oregano

Botanical name: *Plectranthus (Coleus) amboinicus*

Type: Tender perennial succulent

Height: 12 to 24 inches

Light: Mostly sun to fairly heavy shade

Moisture: Drought tolerant but prefers being moist but never soggy

Bloom: Has mint like purple, white or pink flowers

Comments: String oregano flavor used fresh or dried. May freeze in the winter so it is best to over winter as a house plant or keep a few cuttings indoors. Also comes in a variegated variety

## **MINI GARDENS**

Common Name: Various succulents

Botanical Name:

Type: Succulent

Height:

Light: Prefers filtered light

Moisture: Low water requirements

Soil:

Bloom:

Comments: Requires little care

## PERENNIALS

Common Name: Texas Star Hibiscus, red bloom  
Botanical Name: *Hibiscus coccineus*  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 6-10 feet tall  
Light: Full sun to partial shade  
Moisture: Frequent watering  
Soil: Moist well drained  
Bloom: Crimson red star, 3-4 inches. June-October  
Comments: Attracts hummingbirds & butterflies  
Seed Pods-let brown before harvesting  
Propagate from cuttings

Common Name: Texas Star Hibiscus, white bloom  
Botanical Name: *Hibiscus coccineus*  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 6-10 feet tall  
Light: Full sun to partial shade  
Moisture: Frequent watering  
Soil: Moist well drained  
Bloom: Crimson red star, 3-4 inches. June-October  
Comments: Attracts hummingbirds & butterflies  
Seed Pods-let brown before harvesting  
Propagate from cuttings

Name: Citronella 'Mosquito Plant'  
Botanical Name: *Pelargonium Graveolens*  
Type: Tender Perennial  
Height: 24-36 inches tall  
Light: Part shade  
Soil: Well drained  
Blooms: Clusters of lavender-pink flowers  
Comments: Does well in containers, protect from frost, drought tolerant, citrus scented-lemon leaves

Common Name: Pink Allusion (Arrowhead)

Botanical Name: Syngonium podophyllum

Type: Perennial

Height:

Light: Partial to full shade

Moisture: Moist but do not let stand in water

Soil:

Bloom:

Comments :Great indoor plant. May be trained on pole or trellis or hang in basket

Common Name: Pinecone Ginger

Botanical Name: Zingiber zerumbet

Type: Perennial

Height: 3-7 feet

Light: Sun-partial shade

Moisture: Moist

Soil: Moist

Bloom: 10-12 inch pine cone blooms, pale green-red hue

Comments: Blooms summer into fall, shampoo scent, dies back in winter, divide rhizomes

Common Name: Yucca Cane

Botanical Name: Yucca Elephantipes (Spineless Yucca/Stick Yucca)

Type: Perennial shrub

Height: 15 feet

Light: Full sun, indoors south window

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: White bell flowers, indoors no blooms

Comments: Good houseplant, drought tolerant

Common name: Mary Helen Geranium  
Botanical name: *Pelargonium* sp. Mary Helen  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 3 to 4 feet  
Light: Partial sun; protect from afternoon sun  
Moisture: Low  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Medium-red to orange-red flower  
Comments: Drought and heat tolerant; stem cuttings; blooms spring to fall; ground cover and/or container growing

Common name: Chinese Wild Ginger  
Botanical name: *Asarum splendens*  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 5-8 inches tall and 10-16 inches wide  
Light: Partial to full sun  
Moisture: Moist but well drained  
Bloom: Dark chocolate brown and purple cup shaped flowers 2 inches wide, produced at soil level under the foliage. Watch for them, they are very unique  
Comments: Great as a ground cover in the shade and for under planting shrubs. This plant grows quickly.

Common name: Jewels of Opar  
Botanical name: *Talinum paniculatum*  
Type: Perennial native edible  
Height: 12-18 inches  
Light: Mostly sun to shade  
Moisture: Average but drought tolerant  
Bloom: Sprays of airy hot pink flowers followed by red-orange seed balls  
Comments: This plant is a great hot weather substitute for lettuce in salads and on sandwiches and can also be cooked like spinach. Seeds used in dry arrangements. Attracts pollinators. Grown as an annual in more northern gardens but perennial in our area. Can be invasive.

Common name: Southern Sword Fern  
Botanical name: *Nephrolepis cordifolia*  
Type: Perennial fern  
Height: 2-3 feet  
Light: Full sun to full shade. Always move into full sun slowly to avoid sunburn  
Moisture: Drought resistant and need little water once established  
Bloom: Ferns do not bloom but produce bump like sori on the bottom of their leaves  
Comments: Hardy in our area. Good in containers, tall borders and foundation beds. This fern produces tubers which are edible

Common Name: Mother in Law's Tongue

Botanical Name: Sansevieria Trifasciata

Type: Perennial

Height: 30 inches

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Do not over-water, tolerates dry soil

Bloom: None

Comments: Does well indoors or out. This is a slow growing plant that anyone can grow because of its low and high sunlight tolerance and ease of watering

Common Name: Schefflera Umbrella Tree

Botanical Name: SHEFFLERA

Type: Perennial house plant

Height: 1 – 6 feet

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Tolerates dry conditions, well-drained soil

Bloom: Leafy plant

Comments: Easy to grow plant for inside or out. Does not tolerate freeze so must be protected from freezing weather.

Common Name: Spider Plant

Botanical Name: Chlorophytum comosum

Type: House Plant

Height: 6-12 inches

Light: Partial Shade, indirect light

Moisture: Tolerates Dry Conditions, well-drained soil

Bloom: White Flowers

Comments: Easy to grow plant , perfect for windowsills

Common Name: Aggie Hibiscus, Haight Ashbury

Botanical Name: Hibiscus acetosella

Type: Perennial

Height: 4-5 feet

Light: Full to partial sun, more sun gives more color

Moisture: Well drained soil

Bloom: Maroon leaves, maroon flowers

Comments: Flowers attract birds, bees, hummingbirds, beautiful addition to an Aggie garden



Common name: Century Plant  
Botanical name: Agave species  
Height: 4 feet tall, 5 feet wide  
Light: Full sun  
Moisture: Minimal  
Bloom: Single bloom stalk with multiple white flowers replaced by plantlets  
Comments: Not very spikey for an Agave, dies after flowering

Common Name: Mexican Petunia  
Botanical Name: Ruellia simplex "Katy"  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 5" now- may grow to 18" outside  
Light: Shade  
Water: Regularly  
Bloom: Pink, white, or purple  
Comments: DWARF variety-not invasive

Common Name: Mystery Plant  
Botanical Name: Unknown (Nicotiana sp?)  
Type: Perennial-Very Tall Single Stem plant with huge head flowers  
Height: 8 feet now, may grow to 15 feet-single (1) stem  
Light: Shade  
Water: Regularly  
Bloom: Late summer to fall, white flowers-1 head  
Comments: Huge seed head makes plant bow down

Common Name: Boston Fern  
Botanical Name: Nephrolepis exaltata  
Type: Perennial fern  
Height: 20 inches tall x20 inches wide  
Light: Outside shade/inside filtered  
Water: Drain after watering, mist leaves  
Bloom: None  
Comments: Protect from freeze, excellent houseplant

Common Name: Variegated Bird's Nest  
Botanical Name: Sansevieria trifasciata  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 12"  
Light: low/semi-shade  
Moisture: Low  
Soil: Well drained  
Comments: Container growing, Indoors or outdoors

Common Name: Los llanos  
Botanical Name: *Echeandia chandleri*  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 1-3 feet  
Light: Full sun/part shade  
Moisture: Low  
Soil: Sandy loam, well drained  
Bloom: 1 inch orange or yellow bloom, May-November  
Comments: Attracts butterflies & hummingbirds, propagate by seeds or divide

Common Name: Sweet Potato Vine  
Botanical Name: *Ipomoea batatas*  
Type: Perennial vine-ground cover  
Height: Fast growing-7 feet long  
Light: Full shade to sun  
Moisture: Moderate  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Morning-glory-like in spring/summer  
Comments: Propagate by cuttings, protect from freeze

Common Name: Wandering Jew  
Botanical Name: *Tradescantia pallida*  
Type: Vining, tender perennial  
Height: 12-24 inches, spreading  
Light: Bright, indirect light  
Moisture: Avg.-medium  
Soil: moist, well drained  
Blooms: small pink blooms, variegated leaves  
Comments: Easy to grow and good ground coverage

Common Name: Coleus with mixed plants  
Botanical Name: *Plectranthus scutellarioides*  
Type: Perennial  
Height: 6-36 inches  
Light: Partial shade  
Moisture: Moist  
Soil: Well-draining  
Bloom: Tiny blue to white shoot  
Comments: Container growing, pinch shoots for fuller growth

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Common Name: Esperanza  
Botanical Name: *Tecoma*  
Type: Shrub  
Height: 8 to 10 feet  
Light: Full sun to part shade  
Moisture: Low  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Golden yellow  
Comments: Attracts butterflies, bees, and hummingbirds, blooms spring-fall

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Common Name: Firespike  
Botanical Name: *Odontonema strictum*  
Type: Shrub  
Height: 4 feet  
Light: Part sun to part shade  
Moisture: Regular watering  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Red  
Comments: Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies, blooms even in shade, container or inground

Common Name: Mother in Law's Tongue

Botanical Name: *Sansevieria Trifasciata*

Type: Perennial

Height: 30 inches

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Do not over-water, tolerates dry soil

Bloom: None

Comments: Does well indoors or out. This is a slow growing plant that anyone can grow because of its low and high sunlight tolerance and ease of watering

Common Name: Foxtail Fern

Botanical Name: *Asparagus densiflorus "Meyers"*

Type: Perennial

Height: Up to 3 feet

Light: Partial , sun to full shade

Moisture: Water weekl, more often in extreme heat or in containers

Soil: Well-drained

Bloom: Spring, white producing red berries

Comments: Perennial border, in containers, as houseplants; bottle brush-like plumes; Keep above 50 degrees

**SEEDS**

Texas Star Hibiscus Seeds Red Bloom

Larkspur Seeds

Orchid Butterfly Vine Seed

Bush Morning Glory Seeds

Pink Poppy Seeds

## SHRUBS

Common Name: Bush Morning Glory

Botanical Name: *Ipomoea carnea*

Type: Perennial shrub, tree

Height: 6 feet

Light: Full sun

Moisture: Moderate

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Pink-showy 1"-2", late Summer and early fall

Comments: Xeriscape, wind break or hedge, erosion control, attracts bees and butterflies

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Common Name: Vitex Shrub a/k/a Beach Vitex or Round-leaf vitex

Botanical Name: *Vitex rotundifolia*

Type: Shrub

Height: 15-20 feet

Light: Full sun

Moisture: Moderately

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Cluster of lavender flowers

Comments: Attracts butterfly & bees, deer resistant, drought resistant

Common Name: Cestrum

Botanical Name: Cestrum aurantiacum

Type: Shrub

Height: 15 feet

Light : Full sun to light shade

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Blooms: 4" clusters of orange, yellow, or gold flowers;

Late spring to fall

Comments: Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies, sweet jasmine scented, deer resistant, drought tolerant

Common Name: Angel Trumpet

Botanical Name: Brugmansia spp.

Type: Perennial shrub

Height: 6-20 feet tall

Light: Full sun, with afternoon shade

Moisture: Moist, not drought resistant

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Hanging bugle-shaped flowers, fragrant scent. White, peach, pink, orange, or yellow

Comments: Attracts hummingbirds, protect in winter, blooms spring until late fall

Common Name: Mexican Shrimp Plant, False Hop

Botanical Name: Justicia brandegeana acanrhaceae

Type: Evergreen shrub

Height: 3-4 feet

Light: Partial shade, morning sun preferred

Moisture: Well drained soil, does not tolerate wet "feet"

Bloom: Red, drooping shrimp like flowers

Comments: Flowers attract birds, bees, hummingbirds

Common Name: Mexican Honeysuckle  
Botanical Name: *Justicia spicigera*  
Type: Shrub  
Height: 3-4 feet- wide 3-4 feet  
Light: Part to full sun  
Water: Regular-when 1" top soil dry  
Bloom: Spring to frost- orange tubular  
Comments: Attracts hummingbirds

Common Name: Sago Palm  
Botanical Name: *Cycas revoluta*  
Type: Perennial shrub  
Height: 3-10 feet tall and wide  
Light: Full sun to part shade  
Moisture: Medium  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Non-flowering  
Comments: Regular monthly fertilizer, does well indoors or outdoors, container or planted in ground

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Botanical Name: *Cycas revoluta*  
Type: Perennial shrub  
Height: 3-10 feet tall and wide  
Light: Full sun to part shade  
Moisture: Medium  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Non-flowering  
Comments: Regular monthly fertilizer, does well indoors or outdoors, container or planted in ground.  
Note: This container is very heavy and large.

Common Name: Jatropha Coral Plant  
Botanical Name: *Jatropha multifida*  
Type: Evergreen shrub or small tree  
Height: 6-10 feet-fast growing  
Light: Full sun  
Moisture: Drought tolerant, water regularly till established  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Numerous long stalked small red flowers on coral like inflorescences  
Comments: Attracts butterflies, container or in ground



Common Name: Croton

Botanical Name: *Codiaeum variegatum*

Type: Houseplant, often grown outdoors in tropical climates

Height: 2'-6'

Moisture: Water when the top of the soil is dry to the touch, then they should be watered until the water flows out the bottom of the container.

Bloom: Leaves are colorful, the more sunlight the brighter the color

Comments: Crotons do not like to be moved and they can lose leaves when moved, this is normal croton behavior. Simply maintain proper care and the plant will regrow leaves within a short period of time.

Common Name: White Bridal Bouquet Plumeria

Botanical Name: *Plumeria pudica*

Type: Shrub, small tree

Height: 6'-15'

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Keep on dry side, water every 10-15 days

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Large clusters of white 3" flowers with small yellow centers

Comments: Container growing or inground, spring to fall bloom, protect in winter  
Second picture above shows what plant will look like full grown.

Common Name: Firespike

Botanical Name: *Odontonema strictum*

Type: Shrub

Height: 4 feet

Light: Part sun to part shade

Moisture: Regular watering

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Red

Comments: Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies, blooms even in shade, container or inground

Common Name: Angel Trumpet

Botanical Name: *Brugmansia* spp.

Type: Perennial shrub

Height: 6-20 feet tall

Light: Full sun, with afternoon shade

Moisture: Moist, not drought resistant

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Hanging bugle-shaped flowers, fragrant scent., white

Comments: Attracts hummingbirds, protect in winter, blooms spring until late fall, blooms tend to droop during middle of day

Common Name: Hwy. 290 Button Rose  
Botanical Name: Rosa 'Highway 290 Pink Button'  
Type: Shrub  
Height: 12-18" Hwy.290 Button Rose  
Light: Sun  
Moisture: Medium  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Small 1" pink flowers  
Comments: Repeated cluster blooms, prune to shape  
Found by Rose Rustlers

Common Name: Powderpuff  
Botanical Name: Calliandra haematocephala  
Type: Shrub, fast growing  
Height: 4-6 feet, can reach 10-15 feet  
Light: Full to part sun  
Moisture: Water during dry spells  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Red fuzzy powderpuff  
Comments: Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds, drought tolerant, pruning late March or early April

## SUCCULENTS

Name: Elephant Food

Botanical Name: *Portulacaria afra*

Type: Cactus & succulent

Height: 2-6 feet

Light: Full sun to light shade

Moisture: Occasional water esp. hot, dry summer; overwater will defoliate

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Pink star shaped, flowers late winter to early spring

Comments: Edible, leaves used in salads & soups, good source of nectar for birds, bees, & insects, eaten by elephants, wild game, & tortoise, train as a bonsai, use in a hanging basket, or climb trellis.

Common Name: Tiger Jaws

Botanical Name: *Faucaria tigrina*

Type: Perennial succulent

Height:

Light: Full sun

Moisture: Low water

Soil:

Bloom: Yellow flowers

Comments:

Common name: Donkey Ear Plant

Botanical name: *Kalanchoe Gastonia-bonnieri*

Type: Succulent

Height: 18 inches tall and 2 feet wide

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Moderate in summer, minimal in winter

Bloom: Tall spike of multiple hanging reddish bell shaped flowers

Comments: Donkey Ears produce plantlets from the tips and sides of their leaves

Common name: Mother of Thousands

Botanical name: *Kalanchoe (Bryophyllum) daigremontianum*

Type: Perennial succulent

Height: Up to 3 feet

Light: Bright May sunburn in full sun

Moisture: Minimal

Bloom: A tall spike with many hanging pinkish flowers

Comments: Can become a nuisance outdoors by spreading baby plants all over, generally hardy in our area

Common name: Dominican Oregano

Botanical name: *Plectranthus (Coleus) amboinicus*

Type: Tender perennial succulent

Height: 12 to 24 inches

Light: Mostly sun to fairly heavy shade

Moisture: Drought tolerant but prefers being moist but never soggy

Bloom: Has mint like purple, white or pink flowers

Comments: String oregano flavor used fresh or dried. May freeze in the winter so it is best to over winter as a house plant or keep a few cuttings indoors. Also comes in a variegated variety

Common Name: Mother-in-Law Tongue

Botanical Name: *Sansevieria trifasciata "Laurentii"*

Type: Indoor succulent

Height: 3-4 ft.

Light: Indirect-sunny window

Water: Only when soil is dry

Bloom: Inconspicuous

Comments: Lasts forever-makes babies

Common Name: Desert Rose

Botanical Name: *Adenium obesum*

Type: Succulent, tropical

Height: 14" to 5 ft.

Light: Sunny window or part shade

Water: When top of soil dry down 3/4"

Bloom: White-spring-early summer

Comments: Window sill or outdoor potted beautiful flowers-bulb trunk

Common Name: Redbird cactus  
Botanical Name: *Pedilanthus tithymaloides*  
Type: Succulent-Euphorbia/spurge family  
Height: 12" to 4 feet  
Light: Indirect shade/shade outside  
Water: When top 2/3" pot soil is dry  
Bloom: Red flowers when mature  
Comments: Interesting stems and flowers

Common Name :Alligator Mother-of-Thousands  
Botanical Name: *Kalanchoe daigremontiana*  
Type: Succulent  
Height: 12" now-may grow to 4 feet outside  
Light: Indirect inside/shade outside  
Water: When top 3/4" soil is dry  
Bloom: Inconspicuous  
Comments: Easy to grow-bring in before freeze

Common Name: Tusk Plant  
Botanical Name: *Sansevieria cylindrica*  
Type: Succulent  
Height: 6-8 inches  
Light: Indirect inside/shade outside  
Water: When top 2/3 soil is dry  
Bloom: None  
Comments: Protect from freeze  
Brace upright

Common Name: Devil's Backbone plant

Botanical Name: *Euphorbia tithymaloides*

Type: Succulent

Height: 2'-6'

Light: Protection from hot afternoon sun

Moisture: Tolerant of some soil dryness but leaf drop will occur if becomes too dry

Bloom: Small red blossoms

Comments: Prune as needed to keep plant compact

Common Name: Paddle Leaf Kalanchoe

Botanical Name: *Kalanchoe thyrsiflora*

Type: Succulent

Height: 24"

Light: Outdoors, full sun to light shade, indoors bright light, avoid direct light in summer month as too much intense light may scorch the plant.

Moisture: Let dry before watering to prevent rot, water sparingly during the winter months

Bloom: Tall single stem of yellow flowers

Comments: Fertilize plant lightly during the growing season, withhold fertilizer during the fall

Common Name: Mixture of succulents including Elephant Bush succulent

Botanical Name: *Portulacaria afra*

Type: Succulent

Height: 2'-3'

Light: Bright light

Moisture: Well drained soil, unglazed pot to help with excess moisture, water sparingly from April to October, in winter the plants are dormant and may suspend watering

Bloom: After a dormant period in winter, the bush produces small pink flowers grouped in clusters at the ends of the branches

Comments: Good houseplant, maintenance free.

Common Name: Soap Aloe

Botanical Name: *Aloe maculata*

Type: Succulent

Height: 24-36 inches

Light: Morning sun, afternoon shade

Moisture: Low

Soil: Adaptable

Blooms: Mature plant blooms a stalk with yellow/orange flowers.

Comments: Heat and drought tolerant, container or inground, attracts hummingbirds and bees

Name: Ice Plant "Baby Sun Rose"

Botanical Name: *Aptenia cordifolia*

Type: Perennial, succulent, hanging basket

Height: Trails multiple feet

Light: Morning sun-semi shade

Moisture: Low

Soil: Well drained

Blooms: Flowers are 0.4 inches shades of pink, red, yellow, or purple

Comments: Attracts butterflies, bees, & hummingbirds, drought resistant, containers, hanging baskets or ground cover. Blooms spring-late summer.

Common Name: Hawthoria  
Botanical Name: Hawthoria  
Type: Succulent  
Height: 3-5" high  
Light: Filtered light  
Moisture: Low  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Small insignificant green and white flower  
Soil: Well drained  
Comments: Drought tolerant, forms clumps, produces offset

Common Name: Dwarf Ghost Plant  
Botanical Name: Graptosedum  
Type: Succulent  
Height: 6"-12" tall, 14"-20" wide  
Moisture: Low, do not overwater  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: White flowers  
Comments: Leaf propagation

Common Name: Mixed Succulents  
Botanical Name: Monadenium ritchei  
Type: Succulent  
Height: Long 2' stems  
Light: Sun/some shade  
Moisture: Low, do not overwater  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Red blooms  
Comments: Cutting propagation

Common Name: Ponytail Palm  
Type: Perennial evergreen  
Height: 6'-8' tall  
Light: Full Sun  
Moisture: Low. Do not overwater  
Soil: Sandy, well drained  
Blooms: Can bloom seasonally  
Comments: Good houseplant-container growing; If grown indoors, do not water more than monthly during winter months.

Plant: varied succulents  
Height of plants: Between 2 to inches  
Water: Allow to dry between watering. Then water.  
Sun: 6- 8 hours daily  
Bloom: May bloom after established for 2 to 3 years.  
Pot Height: 4"  
Comments: Does best in soil for cacti and succulents

Plant: varied succulents  
Height of plants: Between 2-3 to inches  
Water: Allow to dry between watering. Then water.  
Sun: 6- 8 hours daily  
Bloom: May bloom after established for 2 to 3 years.  
Pot Height: 4"  
Comments: Does best in soil for cacti and succulents

Approximately 3 plants in each container, plants will vary  
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Height of plants: Between 3 to 6 inches  
Water: Allow to dry between watering. Then water.  
Sun: 6- 8 hours daily  
Bloom: May bloom after established for 2 to 3 years.  
Pot Height: 4"  
Comments: Does best in soil for cacti and succulents

Common Name: African Milk Tree  
Botanical Name: *Euphorbia trigona*  
Type: Succulent  
Height: Outdoors 7-9 feet/Indoors 2-4 feet  
Light: Indirect sun to partial shade  
Moisture: Low  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: White, spring through summer  
Comments: White sap, wash hands, is a skin irritant and poisonous; has thorns



Common Name: Felt Plant; Fang Plant

Botanical Name: *Kalanchoe beharensis*

Type: Succulent; evergreen shrub

Height: 3 to 5 feet

Light: Full to partial sun

Moisture: Water each 14-20 days during growing season; low in winter

Soil: Well-drained

Bloom: Spring to summer; small and yellow; urn-shaped

Comments: Can grow as houseplant; needs temps above 41 degrees; leaves covered with wooly hair

## TREES

Common Name: Arroyo Sweetwood

Botanical Name: *Myrsopernum sousanum*

Type: Tree

Height: 15-25 feet

Light: Full sun - part sun/shade

Moisture: Very low

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Vanilla-sweet white flower in Spring

Comments: Another name is Cinnamon-toast tree due to the smell of blooms. Drought resistant.

Attracts bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds.

Common Name: Chaste Tree

Botanical Name: *Vitex agnus-castus*

Type: Tree, Shrub

Height: 3-16 feet

Light: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture: Moist

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: Fragrant, blue, purple

Comments: Attracts birds & butterflies, can be drought resistant

Common Name: Japanese Yew Pine

Botanical Name: *Podocarpus macrophyllus*

Type: Evergreen Tree

Height: 3-5 ft. now, 8-15 feet when mature

Light: Part to full sun

Water: Regularly till established

Bloom: Dark berries (poisonous)

Comments: Beautiful tree or hedge

Common Name: Little Prince Banana Plant

Botanical Name: *MUSA acuminata* 'Little Prince'

Type: Tree

Height: 24-30", fast growing

Light: Bright light, 12 hours a day ideal

Moisture: Dry out between watering, drain well

Soil: Well drained

Bloom: White, yellow, purple, burgundy, ivory; showy

Comments: Good indoor plant/containers

Common Name: Japanese Yew  
Botanical Name: *Taxus cuspidata*  
Type: Evergreen shrub, tree  
Height: 15-20 feet  
Light: Part to full sun  
Moisture: Low  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Inconspicuous yellow  
Comments: Attracts birds, good nesting site, good wind protector

Common Name: Brown Turkey Fig  
Botanical Name: *Ficus carica* "Brown Turkey"  
Type: Tree  
Height: 15 to 30 feet  
Light: Full sun  
Moisture: 2 Watering per week after planting, mature trees 1.5 inches per week  
Soil: Non-acidic well-drained with high lime content  
Bloom: Inconspicuous  
Comments: Fruits in spring and summer, life span about 200 years

Common Name: Live oak  
Botanical Name: *Quercus virginiana*  
Type: Evergreen tree  
Height: 60 feet to 80 feet  
Light: Part shade/sun to full sun  
Moisture: Normal  
Soil: Best in well-drained; tolerates many  
Bloom: Male flowers on 3" catkins, female flowers on 1"-3" peduncles (stems)  
Comments: Usually pest and disease free; very tough; can live for centuries

Common Name: Burr Oak  
Botanical Name: *Quercus macrocarpa*  
Type: Deciduous tree  
Height: Up to 98 feet tall  
Light: Full sun  
Moisture: Prefers moderate moisture with some drought tolerance  
Bloom: Yellow catkin flowers in spring; large acorn with fringed cap  
Comments: Tolerates pollution and heat stress; lives more than 200 - 300 years

Common Name: Monterrey Oak

Botanical Name: *Quercus polymorpha*

Type: Semi-evergreen tree

Height: 40 feet tall

Light: Full sun

Moisture : Once established, shouldn't be watered except in longest, hottest dry spells

Bloom: Male flowers on 4" catkins, females less conspicuous

Comments: Texas native, more upright than live oaks

Common Name: Dragon Tree

Botanical Name: *Dracaena marginata*

Type: House plant

Height: 6 feet

Light: Bright, indirect light

Moisture: Water well and don't water again until the top 50% of the soil is dry.

Soil: Loose, quick-draining

Bloom: Fragrant tiny white flowers in spring; rarely appear indoors

Comments: Features the narrowest leaves of the various species of dracaena

## VEGETABLES

Common name: Longevity Spinach

Botanical name: *Gynura procumbens*

Type: Tender perennial vegetable

Height: To 2 feet with stems up to 20 feet

Light: Moderately sunny but not full sun

Moisture: Likes a lot of water but do not keep soggy

Bloom: Orange blooms not often seen

Comments: Use as you would spinach and in salads. May freeze here so overwinter a few cuttings inside. Sometimes used as a houseplant

Note: Not easy to find

Common name: Chaya, Spinach Tree, Mayan Miracle Plant

Botanical name: *Cnidoscolus aconitifolius*

Type: Tender perennial vegetable

Height: Up to 15 feet

Light: Sun to semi-shade

Moisture: Drought tolerant but grows faster with regular water, does not like being soggy

Bloom: Very rarely blooms

Comments: This can be kept as a bush or small tree. Hand sized leaves are "meaty" and delicious, should always be cooked before eating. May or may not come back after freezing but grows quickly so keep a cutting or two indoors over winter. This is a non-stinging variety.

Note: 4" pots are selling for as much as \$25 on Etsy and EBay, fairly rare vegetable.

## VINES

Common Name: Swedish Ivy  
Botanical Name: *Plectranthus verticillatus*  
Type: Vine  
Height: 24" high, 24 - 36" spread  
Light: Partial shade  
Moisture: Keep moist, not wet  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Produces small white flowers  
Comments: Great for hanging baskets

Common Name: Wandering Jew  
Botanical Name: *Tradescantia zebrina*  
Type: Vining  
Height: 12-24 inches, spreading  
Light: Bright, indirect light  
Moisture: Avg.-medium  
Soil: moist, well drained  
Blooms: small pink blooms, variegated leaves  
Comments: Easy to grow and good ground coverage

Common Name: Marble Queen Pothos Ivy  
Botanical Name: *Epipremnum aureum*  
Type: Vining houseplant  
Height: Stems vine 60'-65'  
Light: Performs well in both bright or indirect sunlight and strong artificial light.  
Moisture: Water once or twice each week, will not tolerate standing water, does best in average to evenly moist soil  
Bloom: Flowers are not ornamentally significant.  
Comments: Air purifier

Common Name: Blue Pea Vine  
Botanical Name: *Clitoria ternatea*  
Type: Evergreen trailing vine  
Height: 6-10 feet  
Light: Full sun, part sun, part shade  
Moisture :Medium, will not tolerate soggy  
Soil: Well drained  
Bloom: Blue with creamy yellow throat  
Comments :Drought tolerant, attracts butterflies, birds, and bees

Common Name: Arrowhead

Botanical Name: *Syngonium podophyllum*

Type: Vine

Height: 15 inches

Light: Bright, filtered light

Moisture: Dry out between waterings; medium

Soil: Well-drained

Bloom: Spathe on a spadix similar to peace lily; variegated leaves

Comments: House plant; attracts hummingbirds; purifies the air

Common Name: Arrowhead

Botanical Name: *Syngonium podophyllum*

Type: Vine

Height: 15 inches

Light: Bright, filtered light

Moisture: Dry out between waterings; medium

Soil: Well-drained

Bloom: Spathe on a spadix similar to peace lily; variegated leaves

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