
CITY OF FRESNO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
 LANDSCAPE BUFFER, PARKSTRIPS, OUTLOTS AND
 MEDIAN ISLANDS
 APPROVED SHRUB/GROUNDCOVER LIST 9/2/09

BUFFERS, PARKSTRIPS AND OUTLOTS:

Buffers: No trees within 30' of street corners for unobstructed car visibility
Parkstrips: No trees within 30' of corners. No shrubs/groundcovers taller than 2½-3' tall for car visibility existing from drive approaches
Consider Plant Zones: Area usage, sun/shade, wind, dry/moist, temperature changes, soil type, drainage, reflected heat, frost/freeze zones and microclimates.
Group like plant materials: Plans should allow for plants to reach full size with minimal pruning

LARGE SHRUBS (6'-15' Tall by 5'-10' Wide)

BOTANICAL NAME

COMMON NAME

Cercis occidentalis (multi)	Western Redbud
Cocculus lauifolius	Snailseed (Afternoon shade only)
Cotoneaster lacteus	Parneyi Cotoneaster
Eleagnus pungens	Silverberry
Euonymus japonica	Evergreen Euonymus
Euonymus japonica 'Albo-Marginata'	Evergreen Euonymus
Euonymus j. Aureo-marginata'	Evergreen Euonymus
Feijoa sellowiana	Pineapple Guava
Heteromeles arbutifolia	Toyon
Leucophyllum frutescens	Texas Ranger (Grey Foliage)
Leucophyllum f. 'Green Cloud'	Texas Ranger (Green Foliage)
Ilex altaclerensis 'Wilsonii'	Wilson Holly
Ilex cornuta 'Dwarf Burford'	Dwarf Burford Holly
Ilex vomitoria	Yaupon Holly
Ilex latifolia 'Nellie R. Stevens'	Hybrid Holly
Ligustrum japonicum	Wax-Leaf Privet
Myrtus communis	Myrtle
Osmanthus fragrans	Sweet Olive
Osmanthus heterophyllus	Holly-Leaf Osmanthus
Phormium tenax 'Atropurpureum'	Purple New Zealand Flax
Photinia x fraseri	Photinia
Pittosporum tobira	Mock Orange
Pittosporum t. 'Variegata'	Variegated Mock Orange
Podocarpus gracilior	Fern Pine
Podocarpus macrophylla	Yew Pine
Prunus caroliniana 'Bright N' Tight'	Compact Carolina Laurel Cherry
Rhamnus alaternus	Italian Buckthorn
Viburnum tinus	Laurustinus
Xylosma congestum	Shiny Xylosma

MEDIUM SHRUBS (4-6')

BOTANICAL NAME

Abelia grandiflora
Cotoneaster horizontalis
Juniperus sp.
Loropetalum chinense 'Blush'
'Burgundy' 'Razzleberry'
Myrtus communis 'Compacta'
Nandina domestica
Nerium oleander 'Petite Pink'
'Mrs. Roeding' Little Red'
Plumbago auriculata
Raphiolepis sp.
Rosmarinus officinalis
Rosa 'Iceberg'
Rosmarinus o. 'Huntington Carpet'
Rosmarinus o. 'Ken Taylor'
Rosmarinus o. 'Tuscan Blue'
Spiraea sp.
Tagetes lucida
Viburnum t. 'Springtime Bouquet'

COMMON NAME

Glossy Abelia
Rock Cotoneaster
Junipers
Fringe Flower

Dwarf Myrtle
Heavenly Bamboo
Dwarf Oleander

Cape Plumbago
Indian Hawthorne
Rosemary
Iceberg Rose
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Bridal Wreath
Mexican Marigold
Compact Laurustinus

LOW GROWING (3' +/-) AND GROWDCOVERS

Baccaris pilularis 'Twin Peaks'
Berberis thunbergii
Callistemon 'Little John'
Cotoneaster dammeri 'Lowfast'
Cotoneaster microphyllus
Euonymous fortunei radicans
Gardenia auguusta 'Veitchii'
Lavandula sp.
Myoporum parvifolium 'Prostratum'
Phormium tenax Morticia'
Punica granatum 'Nana'
Rosa Meidiland
Rosmarinus o. 'Prostratus'
Trachelospermum jasminoides
Trachelospermum asiaticum
Viburnum t. 'Dwarf'

Dwarf Coyote Bush
Japanese Barberry
Bottlebrush
Bearberry Cotoneaster
Rockspray Cotoneaster
Common Winter Creepe
Everblooming Gardenia
Lavender
Myoporum
Dwarf New Zealand Flax
Dwarf Pomegranate
2' Meidiland Rose
Rosemary
Star Jasmine
Asian Jasmine
Dwarf Laurustinus

ACCENT PLANTS

BOTANICAL NAME

Cistus x hybridus
Hemerocallis sp.
Tulbaghia violacea
Lantana sp.
Rosa 'Meideland'
Strelitzia reginae
Salvia sp.

COMMON NAME

Rockrose
Daylillies
Society Garlic
Lanatana
Meideland Roses
Bird of Paradise
Sage

GRASSES

Cortaderia selloana 'Pumila'
Elymus arenarius 'Glaucua'
Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue'
Miscanthus sacchariflorus
Muhlenbergia rigens
Stipa capillata
Stipa tenuissima

Ivory Feathers Dwf. Pampas Grass
Blue Lyme Grass
Blue Fescue
Silver Banner Grass
Deer Grass
Feather Grass
Mexican Feather Grass

VINES (ON WALLS FOR GRAFFITI ABATEMENT)

Ficus repens
Macfadyena unguis-cati
Parthenocissus tricuspidata
Trachelospermum jasminoides

Creeping Fig
Cat's Claw
Boston ivy
Star Jasmine

MEDIAN ISLANDS:

Consider Plant Zones: sun/shade, wind (also from vehicles), dry/moist, temperature range changes, soil type, drainage, reflected heat, frost/freeze zones and microclimates

Group like plant material

No linear plantings of shrubs, grouping only. 50% of median island should be hardscape i.e. stamped concrete, decomposed granite or river rock with plants in clumping communities.

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Acacia cultriformis
Cercis occidentalis (multi)
Elaeagnus pungens
Euonymus japonica
Lagerstroemia hybrids
Leucophyllum frutescens
Leucophyllum f. 'Green Cloud'
Photinia x fraseri
Pittosporum tobira
Viburnum tinus

COMMON NAME

Knife Acacia
Western Redbud
Silverberry
Evergreen Euonymus
Multi-trunked
Texas Ranger (Grey Foliage)
Texas Ranger (Green Foliage)
Photinia
Mock Orange
Laurustinus

MEDIUM SHRUBS (3'-6' Tall)

BOTANICAL NAME

Abelia grandiflora
Cotoneaster horizontalis
Elaeagnus p. 'Fruitland'
Elaeagnus p. 'Maculata'
Elaeagnus p. 'Marginata'
Elaeagnus p. 'Variegata'
Juniperus sp.
Myrtus communis 'Compacta'
Nandina domestica
Nerium oleander 'Petite Pink'
'Mrs. Roeding' Little Red'
Raphiolepis sp.
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Indian Hawthorne
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Compact Laurustinus

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Dwarf Coyote Bush
Japanese Barberry
Bottlebrush
Common Winter Creeper
Everblooming Gardenia
Lantana
Lavender
2' Meidiland Rose
Rosemary
Dwarf Laurustinus

ACCENT PLANTS

Hemerocallis sp.
Rosa 'Meidiland'
Tulbaghia violacea
Lantana sp.

Daylillies
Meidiland Roses
Society Garlic
Lanatana

GRASSES

Carex flacca
Cortaderia selloana 'Pumila'
Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue'
Festuca rubra
Muhlenbergia rigens

Blue Sedge (Trails)
Ivory Feathers Dwarf Pampas Grass
Blue Fescue
Creeping Red Fescue
Deer Grass

EXPERIMENTAL PLANTS:

BOTANICAL NAME

Abelia x grandiflora 'Francis Mason'
Abelia x grandiflora 'White Marvel'
Buxus macrophylla koreana 'Winter Gem'

B. Green Gem' & "Green Velvet"
Carex barbarae
Cassia splendida 'Golden Wonder'
Ceanothus 'Concha'
Coprosmia petriei 'Verde Vista'

Dianella revoluta
Dymondia margaretae
Eleagnus p. 'Fruitland'
Eleagnus p. 'Maculata'
Eleagnus p. 'Marginata'
Eleagnus p. 'Variegata'
Escallonia 'Apple Blossom'
Euonymus fortunei 'Ivory Jade'
Erigeron karvinskianus
Eriogonum umbellatum
Euonymus 'Microphyllus'
Muhlenbeckia complexa
Prunus laurocerasus 'OttoLuyken'
Raphiolepis indica 'Spring Rapture'
Salvia leucantha
Velvet'
Sedum spectabile
Tagetes lucida

COMMON NAME

3-5' (Todd Beamer)
5' White Flowers
3-4' Winter Gem Boxwood (Park N.
Ride-Copper/Friant)
3-4' tall
1-3' Santa Barbara Sedge
9-12' Golden Wonder Senna (T-5447)
4' (T-5498)
2-2 1/2' tall (median w/o Golden State on
Shaw Ave.)
3' Flax Lily
1-3" (T-5899)
10-15' Silverberry
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5' Escallonia
3-5' Ivory Jade Euonymus
10-20" Mexican Daisy (T5498)
3' Sulphur Flower (T5358)
1-2' Boxleaf Euonymus
Wire Vine (for graffiti abatement)
3-4' English Laurel (shade only)
5' Indian Hawthorne (T-5901)
Mexican Sage ('Midnight' & 'Purple
Showy Sedum (Figarden Park)
3' Mexican Marigold (McKenzie Trail)

UNACCEPTABLE PLANT MATERIAL:

BOTANICAL NAME

Aptenia cordifolia
Berberis haematocarpa
Crataegus sp.
Eucalyptus sp.
Fraxinus 'Raywood'

Fruit Trees
Gazania sp.
Grasses that re-seed
Grevillea sp.

Lamium purpureum
Lampranthus spectabilis
Liquidambar styraciflua
Morus alba

COMMON NAME

Ice Plant, Baby Sun Rose (freezes)
Red Barberry (large spines)
Hawthorne (Fireblight, sunburn damage)
Gum Trees (Summer Limb Drop)
Raywood Ash (Narrow crotch angles,
Fungal Dieback)
Fruit Trip Hazard
Gazania (fungal rots)

Tree and Shrub forms (dieback, brittle
branches)
Red Dead Nettle (stinging nettles)
Trailing Ice Plant (freezes)
Sweet Gum (Summer Limb Drop)
Mulberry

Pittosporum 'Wheeleri'

Populus sp.

Prunus sp.

Pyrus sp.

Salix sp.

Wheeler's Dwarf Pittosporum
(Surflan/Pendulum sensitive)

Poplars, Cottonwoods (weak wood,
borers)

Flowering Cherry, Flowering Plum
(Dieback, fruit)

Evergreen Pear (Fireblight, Narrow
crotches)

Not drought tolerant, weak wooded,
borers)