
















**Waterwise Perennials  
Lubbock Master Gardeners**

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<a href="#">Artemisia</a>		1-2'	3-6'	S	E	Year round	Gray-green foliage that becomes silver white as it matures	10	A rapid grower, this plant tends to become ratty and eventually declines in vigor unless pruned back rather severely at least once a year. Avoid pruning in the heat of summer.	<i>Artemisia</i> x 'Powis Castle' Excellent for borders or foliage contrast in well drained sites.
<a href="#">Black Eyed Susan</a>		2'	2-3'	Sun	D	Summer	Yellow flowers with dark centers.		Water improves blooms; Dead head blooms for greater flowering. Prune back in late winter.	<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i> 'Goldstrum' Good for cut flowers. Multiples rapidly.
<a href="#">Blanket Flower</a>		18"	16"	Sun	D	Spring to Early Fall	Various colors such as wine-red or yellow. Daisy-like blooms		Remove spent flowers for continuous display. Cut back untidy growth in late summer. Allow seed heads to completely dry prior to trimming.	<i>Gaillardia</i> sp. Attracts butterflies. Xeriscapic, Texas native. An excellent cut flower with a vase life of 6 to 10 days. Perennial varieties include <i>Gaillardia grandiflora</i> and <i>aristata</i> . Annual varieties such as <i>gaillardia pulchella</i> - Indian Blanket are also available.
<a href="#">Coral Bells</a>	 <small>Copyright © Cynthia McKenney</small>	12-15"	10'	Partial shade	E	Mid spring to early summer	Tiny bell shaped pink flowers. Green, yellow, pinkish to bronze leaves		Deadhead to encourage repeat blooming through the summer. Pruning back the coral bells foliage in early spring to make room for the new growth can help it stay in better form but is not absolutely necessary.	<i>Heuchera sanguinea</i> Hummingbird plant. Good in borders. Dainty flowers, excellent mass plantings.
<a href="#">Coreopsis</a>		1-2'	6-9"	Sun / part shade	D	Spring to Early Fall	Yellow flowers	7	Prune off old blooms for repeated flowering.	<i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i> Butterfly plant. Native Texas wildflower. Other varieties such as <i>Coreopsis tinctoria</i> are also available. NOTE: There are both annual and perennial varieties.






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<a href="#">Daisy, Blackfoot</a>		6-12"	1-2"	S	E	Spring to Early Fall	White flowers with yellow centers		Prune back if leggy	<i>Melampodium leucanthum</i> Attracts butterflies. Texas native. Xeriscape. Excellent rock garden plant.
<a href="#">Daisy, Shasta</a>		2.5-3'	12-18"	Sun / part shade	E	Summer	White flowers with golden yellow centers		Divide to maintain vigor every 3-4 years.	<i>Leucanthemum x superbum</i> Excellent as a ground cover or border plant since the foliage is attractive and remains green all year. An ideal cut flower, lasting up to 10 days in arrangements.
<a href="#">Daylily</a>		1-2' Flower stalks from 2-4'	1-2'	Sun / part shade	D	Early summer	Many, purple, red, peach, apricot and all shades in between. Petals may be ruffled, twirled or flecked with eye-catching glitter called "diamond dust"	7	Remove the entire stem once the flowers have finished. Daylilies should be divided every three to five years. Division is best done in early spring or in the fall after the plants are dormant.	<i>Hemerocallis spp.</i> Plant bulbs in fall. Can be used as groundcovers if planted on tight centers.
<a href="#">Gaura</a>		3-5'	2'	Sun / part shade	D	Spring to fall	Pink or white flowers		Mid June or early July, cut back by 1/2 to 2/3. Flowering will commence again shortly after shearing. Cut back to 3" in mid February.	<i>Gaura lindheimeri</i> Tall spikes with flowers. flowers resemble swirling butterflies. Can be a short-lived perennial. Attracts butterflies.
<a href="#">Iris, Bearded</a>		1-3'	Indefinite	Sun	E	Spring	Multiple colors available	9	Clean out dead foliage in January. Divide in fall when clumps become crowded	<i>Iris x germanica</i> An old fashion herbaceous perennial with sword-like leaves radiating in a fan from rhizomes just at or immediately below the surface of the soil. Also known as German Iris.







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<a href="#">Iris, Dutch</a>		18-24"	6-8"	Sun / part shade	D	Late winter, early spring	White, yellow to blue flowers		Deadhead spent flowers. To allow the plant to store energy for next year's bloom, do not cut off leaves until they yellow.	<i>Iris x hollandica</i> Flowers are good for cutting.
<a href="#">Lantana</a>		1-6'	3-6'	Sun	D	Spring to fall	Highly variable, white, purple, yellow, orange, red, pink, even with two or three colors on single cyme	9	Cut dead canes to the ground in mid-winter; if the plant has survived, small sprouts will emerge from the base of the plant in early spring.	<i>Lantana spp.</i> Some form groundcovers only 1' or so tall, others are rounded shrubs reaching 6' in height. The dark green foliage is prickly with a pungent scent. Shrubs, herbaceous perennials, or annuals depending upon the cultivar and location of growth. Good varieties for Lubbock area are Confetti, Irene and Dallas Red. Attracts butterflies.
<a href="#">Lavender</a>		15"	15"	Sun	D	Late spring through summer	Fragrant royal purple spikes. Gray-green foliage.		Prune by 1/3 to 1/2 to keep plant from getting woody. Prune in fall before hard freeze or in summer after blooming.	<i>Lavandula sp.</i> A herb that can be used as a low hedge in the garden or can be grown in a container. It is ideal for cutting and drying flowers to be used in potpourri. <i>L. angustifolia</i> is known as English Lavender (most cold hardy). <i>L. stoechas</i> is known as Spanish Lavender.
<a href="#">Mexican Petunia, Dwarf</a>		8"	10"	Sun / shade	D	Spring to summer	Blue / purple to pink		Prune taller varieties to 3" after first frost browns leaves.	<i>Ruellia Brittoniana</i> Petunia-like flowers. Reseeds profusely. Taller types are invasive so choose dwarf varieties such as "Katie" or "Bonita. Note: if you plant the standard/taller variety, <i>Ruellia nudiflora</i> , make sure you choose a sterile selection.
<a href="#">Rock Rose</a>		2-3'	3'	Sun / part sun	D	Spring to Early Fall	Rose pink hibiscus-like blooms.		Open-branching form may be kept more compact by frequent pruning, which promotes new growth and more flowers. Trim shoots growing out of desired area.	<i>Pavonia lasiopetala</i> Popular garden accent plant. Reseeds freely. Flowers open in the morning and close up by early afternoon in our highest heat.


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<a href="#">Sage, Blue Anise</a>		3-4'	4'	Sun	D	Spring / Summer	Dark blue flowers with almost black sepals		Dead head blooms for greater flowering.	<i>Salvia guaranitica</i> Spectacular bloomer with large flowers and deep green foliage. Perfect for back border or plant among shrubs. Hummingbird and butterfly attractor.
<a href="#">Sage, Cherry, Autumn or Autumn</a>		3'	3'	Sun / partial sun	SE	Late spring to frost	orange, salmon, fuchsia, purple, red-violet, burgundy, some with white variegation of leaves or flowers are common.	9	Prune back to 4 inches in late winter and again by one half in August to maintain a tidy shape, or allow to grow and spread or sprawl for a more natural appearance, with occasional pruning of old wood.	<i>Salvia greggii</i> Very tolerant to heat and drought.
<a href="#">Sage, Mealy Blue</a>		2-3"	18-24"	Sun	D	Spring / summer / fall	Violet blue	9	The mealy blue sage requires no pruning, but some tip pinching will encourage more blooms.	<i>Salvia farinacea</i> Beds & borders container plantings cut flowers natives
<a href="#">Sage, Mexican Bush Sage</a>		3-5'	18-24"	Sun / partial sun	D	Fall	Velvety purple or deep rose flower spikes with small white flowers.	9	Do not prune back until after last frost. Remove spent blooms to encourage new growth.	<i>Salvia leucanth</i> Good companion plant for the yellow flowers of fall. Graceful grayish-green foliage.
<a href="#">Sedum, Showy Snowcrop</a>		6-24"	1-2'	Sun / partial sun	D	Summer to fall	White flowers turning to reddish color in late summer, early fall.	10	Sedum do not need deadheading and often look good right through the winter. Pruning the plants back in early July will encourage them to get bushier and to grow more study.	<i>Sedum spectabile</i> <i>Autumn Joy</i> is a very good variety for the Lubbock area. The succulent foliage forms a rounded mound after overwintering in a rosette form. Sedum are suitable for edging, specimen plants and containers. Smaller varieties are good choices for rock gardens and wall. Sedum make great cut flowers and are popular with butterflies.

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<a href="#">Texas Betony</a>		1-1.5'	2-3'	Sun / part shade	SE	Summer to fall	Coral / red flowers. Gray-green foliage.		Prune back if it becomes ragged and new flowers will emerge.	<i>Stachys coccinea</i> Constant bloomer. Attracts hummingbirds. Can be used as ground cover. Native perennial. Drought tolerant.
<a href="#">Verbena, Prairie</a>		1'	6-18"	Sun / partial sun	SE	Spring through fall	Purple	8	No maintenance required.	<i>Verbena bipinnatifida</i> Note: <i>Verbena x hybrida</i> is an annual variety. Butterflies enjoy.
<a href="#">Winecup</a>	 <small>Copyright © Cynthia McKenney</small>	1-2'	1-2'	Sun / part shade	D	Spring to early summer	Purple / White		Cut back to rosette in winter.	<i>Callirhoe involucrata</i> Foliage has scalloped edges; trails on a vine-like stem. Sprawling plant great for filling in-between plants. Host plant for the Gray Hairstreak butterfly. Also known as Polly Mallow.
<a href="#">Yarrow</a>		3-4' flower stalks	8-18"	Sun / partial sun	E	Spring to fall	White, yellow, red, pink		Prune top 1/2 at end of May and to 3" after first frost browns leaves. Cut off old blooms.	<i>Achillea spp.</i> Host plant for Painted Lady butterfly. Finely-cut, fern-like leaves. Forms a solid mat ground cover. The low growing mounds of foliage will be punctuated by taller flower stalks in spring and summer, and into early fall in cooler climates.
<a href="#">Zexmenia</a>	 	2-3'	2.5'	Sun / partial sun	SE	Summer / fall	Golden yellow		It may be cut back by half in July to re-shape or promote denser growth.	<i>Wedelia hispida (W. acapulcensis var. hispida, Zexmenia hispida)</i> Root hardy into zone 7, where it dies to the ground and returns in mid spring. Referred to by some gardeners as a "miracle plant" because of its versatility, cold and drought tolerance and long season good looks.

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<a href="#">Zinnia, Prairie</a>		4-6"	4-6"	Sun to part shade	D	Summer / fall	Yellow-orange daisy like flowers.		Cut back in winter.	<i>Zinnia grandiflora</i> Numerous flower heads with rays. Flowers do not drop but turn a light brown. Slow grower. too much water can do it in.