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PLANT LIST

BOTANICAL NAME

Acacia stenophylla Achillea 'Terracotta' Aeonium 'Cyclops' Agave attenuata 'Nova' Agave attenuata 'Ray of Light'

Aloe 'Blue Elf' Aloe striata

Anigozanthos 'Bush Gold' Anigozanthos 'Velvet Amber' Baccharis pilularis 'Pigeon Point'

Buddleja marrubiifolia

Bulbine frutescens 'Tiny Tangerine' Calamagrostis x acutiflora 'Karl Foerster'

Carex solandri

Coprosma 'Evening Glow' Coprosma 'Karo Red' Coprosma 'Tequila Sunrise'

Crassula tetragona Dichondra argentea Echeveria 'Afterglow' Eragrostis curvula 'Blue' Eragrostis curvula 'Green'

Eremophila hygrophana 'Blue Bells'

Euphorbia rigida Festuca californica

Festuca filiformis 'Tenuifolia' Festuca Idahoensis 'Siskiyou Blue' Hesperaloe parviflora 'Yellow'

Hesperaloe parviflora 'Perpa' Brakelights® Brakelights® Red Yucca

Heuchera 'Crimson Curls' Juncus patens 'Elk Blue' Lantana camara 'Dallas Red'

Leucophyta brownii Limonium perezi

Lobularia 'Snow Princess' Lonicera x americana 'Pam's Pink'

Lotus 'Flash Bulb'™ Malephora lutea

Olea europaea 'Swan Hill'

Parkinsonia 'Desert Museum'

Pedilanthus macrocarpus

Portulacaria afra 'Minima' Punica granatum 'Nana' Russelia equisetiformis Salvia clevelandii Sambucus nigra 'Eva'

Scirpus cernuus Senecio repens Sesleria 'Greenlee'

Simmondsia chinensis

Solenostemon scutellarioides 'Kiwi Fern' Strelitzia reginae

Tecoma 'Solar Flare'®

Yucca rostrata

COMMON NAME

Shoestring Acacia Terracotta Yarrow Giant Red Aeonium Blue Fox Tail Agave Fox Tail Agave

Blue Elf Aloe Coral Aloe

Bush Gold Kangaroo Paw Velvet Amber Kangaroo Paw Pigeon Point Dwarf Coyote Bush

Woolly Butterfly Bush Tangerine Stalked Bulbine

Feather Reed Grass

New Zealand Forest Sedge **Evening Glow Mirror Bush** Karo Red Mirror Bush Tequila Sunrise Mirror Bush

Minature Pine Tree Silver Dichondra Afterglow Echeveria Blue Weeping Lovegrass **Green Weeping Lovegrass** Blue Bells Emu Bush **Gopher Plant**

California Fescue Dwarf Green Hair Fescue Siskiyou Blue Fescue Yellow Hesperaloe Crimson Curls Coral Bells Elk Blue California Gray Rush

Dallas Red Lantana **Cushion Bush** Sea Lavender

Snow Princess Sweet Alyssum Pam's Pink Honeysuckle Flashbulb™ Parrot's Beak **Rocky Point Iceplant** Swan Hill Olive

Desert Museum Palo Verde

Lady's Slipper **Dwarf Elephant Food Dwarf Pomegranate** Firecracker Plant Cleveland Sage

Black Lace™ Elderberry Fiber Optic Grass **Blue Chalksticks**

John Greenlee's Moor Grass

Jojoba

Kiwi Fern Coleus Bird of Paradise Solar Flare® Esperanza

Beaked Yucca

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Wall Art by the garden designer's children:

Austin and Hailey Schmidt

Village Idiot:

Jim Bishop, President San Diego Horticultural Society

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2013 SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR DISPLAY GARDEN

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Our mid-century modern garden is truly up-to-date, utilizing regionally-appropriate plants and no lawn or sheared hedges. This modern garden demonstrates the concepts of water conservation, low maintenance and sustainability. Planting modern means using plants that require less water, less fertilizer, and produce less yard waste. The hardscape elements include repurposed materials — a fence from recycled plastic bender board, a door turned into wall art by the garden designer's children, and recycled glass in the firepit and between stepping stones. This inviting and low-maintenance garden attracts beneficial insects and birds, provides a shady retreat and welcoming sitting areas, and demostrates a lush, comtempory design suitable for the small space typical of many urban homes.

SMART HARDSCAPE CHOICES

Using recycled or repurposed local-sourced materials plays a big role in sustainability when creating a garden with a smaller carbon footprint. The garden designer's children turned an unused door into wall art. The blue glass mulch and firepit red/yellow glass are recycled glass. The boulders and granite artwork is from a quarry in San Marcos. The decomposed granite is from a quarry in Riverside.

GARDEN-FRIENDLY PAVING

All of the paving materials were chosen for beauty and permeability. A dry streambed retains rainwater and demonstrates the use of contouring the site to direct and slow rainwater so it can infiltrate into the soil. The patio materials also allow rainwater to pass through and seep directly into the soil instead of running off into storm sewers. This lessens pollutants entering nearby streams and the ocean, and also acts a water reservoir that helps plants produce deep root systems and go longer without supplemental irrigation.

Mulch, Mulch, Mulch

planted areas of the garden are well mulched using Perennial Mulch from AgriService – agriserviceinc.com – to prevent both excessive evaporation of water and heating of the soil. The organic mulch is composed of wood chips, plant cuttings, and similar organic materials. As it breaks down it releases nutrients into the soil and increases the ability of the soil to absorb water. A 2" to 4" layer of mulch helps reduce your water bill while keeping weeds to a minimum – especially if you use a few sheets of newspaper or a layer of cardboard under the mulch.

GET INSPIRED

The San Diego Horticultural Society meets the second Monday of every month from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in the Surfside Race Place at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Meetings are free for members and \$15 for non-members. For membership information and a full list of our events, visit sdhort.org.

WATER THRIFTY PLANTS

Plants were chosen not only for beauty and to match the color theme but also for their low water requirements. The garden uses mostly low water trees, shrubs and succulents. Higher water use plants are grouped together near the dry stream to advantage of runoff and moister soil conditions.

All **succulent plants** are water thrifty because they store water in their leaves, stems and/or roots. A huge variety of succulents are available, with foliage in every color of the rainbow from white to coral, gold, lime green, teal blue, and near-black — and everything in between! Succulent leaves can be narrow or broad, flat or bumpy, fuzzy or shiny, and with scalloped or smooth edges. Grown mostly for their leaves, which are usually evergreen, many succulents also have beautiful flowers that can decorate the plant for many months.

California friendly plants – including California natives and plants from other Mediterranean-climate areas similar to ours – usually need little water to thrive because they're well adapted to dry summers. Some do well with watering only once or twice a month during the summer and not at all during our winter rainy season. Many also need little, if any, supplemental fertilizer and some do best with none at all. The plants have been arranged to show off the different textures, colors, contrasts and repetition that can be created with these versatile plants.



San Diego County Water Authority

The San Diego Horticultural Society is proud to partner with the San Diego County Water Authority on this fair display garden. Homeowners will be pleased to know this handsome landscape features a wide array of WaterSmart plants and other ways to conserve rainwater.

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