

Planting "the right plant in the right place" is important in landscaping, and it can influence plant flammability. When selecting landscape plants, consider their light, water, and soil requirements. If you are a homeowner, contact the UC Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners (925) 646-6586 for assistance in selecting appropriate plants for the range of conditions in your yard. Plants that are not well suited for the local environment often require more resources, such as water and fertilizer, and may become stressed or diseased. Stressed plants have a higher percentage of dead leaves and branches, which significantly increase their flammability.

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Here is a partial list of Firewise Landscape plants for the Richmond area.

<i>Agapanthus 'Peter Pan'</i>	dwarf lily-of-the-Nile	shade tolerant
<i>Liriope</i>	lily turf	shade tolerant
<i>Vinca minor</i>	dwarf periwinkle	shade tolerant
<i>Bergenia crassifolia, B. cordifolia</i>	bergenia	shade to part shade tolerant
<i>Polystichum munitum</i>	sword fern	shade tolerant
<i>Galium odoratum</i>	sweet woodruff	Herb- sun/shade
<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	Tuscan blue Rosemary	Herb- full sun
<i>Salvia chameadryoides</i>	sage	Herb- full sun
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	germander	Herb- full sun
<i>Thymus vulgaris</i>	common thyme	Herb- full sun
<i>Thymus serpyllum</i>	thyme	Herbs- full sun
<i>Thymus vulgaris 'Argenteus'</i>	silver thyme	Herb- full sun
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	yarrow	drought tolerant- full sun ground-cover
<i>Cerastium tomentosum</i>	Snow in summer	drought tolerant groundcover
<i>Cistus purpureus</i>	orchid rockrose	drought tolerant- full sun low shrub
<i>C. skanbergii</i>	rockrose	drought tolerant- full sun low shrub
<i>C. "Sunset"</i>	rockrose	drought tolerant- full sun low shrub
<i>Dietes bicolor</i>	fortnight lily	drought tolerant, full sun

		perennial
<i>Lavandula dentate</i>	French lavender	drought tolerant- full sun low shrub
<i>Limonium perezii</i>	statice, sea lavender	drought tolerant perennial
<i>Ribes viburnifolium</i>	evergreen currant	drought and shade tolerant ground cover
<i>Santolina virens</i>	green santolina	Drought tolerant - full sun
<i>Solanum jasminoides</i>	potato vine	drought tolerant vine
<i>Tecomaria capensis</i>	cape honeysuckle	drought tolerant vine
<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>	big-leafed maple	Ca native tree, needs water
<i>Alnus tenuifolia</i>	Alder	Ca native, large tree
<i>Arctostaphylos uva ursi</i>	Kinnikinnick	Ca native low shrub
<i>Artemesia pycnocephala</i>	Sand hill sage	Ca native, low shrub, sun
<i>Asarum caudatum</i>	Wild ginger	Ca native perennial-- shade
<i>Carpenteria californica</i>	bush anemone	Ca native shrub- full sun
<i>Ceanothus gloriosus</i> 'Anchor Bay'	deer lilac	Ca native- low shrub
<i>C. gloriosus exaltatus</i> 'Emily Brown'	deer lilac	Ca native low-shrub
<i>C. 'Concha'</i>	deer lilac	Ca native - shrub
<i>Cercis occidentalis</i>	western Redbud	Ca native small tree
<i>Chrysanthemum maximum</i>	Shasta daisy	Ca native perennial-sun
<i>Cornus nuttallii</i>	western dogwood	CA native, small tree, shade
<i>Eriogonum spp.</i>	buckwheat	Ca native perennial-sun
<i>Eschscholzia californica</i>	California poppy	Ca native annual-sun
<i>Fremontodendron californica</i>	common flannel bush	Ca native tall shrub- sun
<i>Galvesia speciosa</i>	island snapdragon	Ca native perennial- sun

<i>Heuchera maxima</i>	coral bell	Ca native, perennial, sun/shade
<i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i>	toyon	Ca native shrub
<i>Lupinus spp</i>	lupine	Ca native perennial
<i>Mahonia repens</i>	creeping mahonia	Ca native shrub- shade tolerant
<i>Mimulus longiflorus</i>	monkey flower	Ca native perennial-sun/shade
<i>Myrica californica</i>	Pacific wax myrtle	Ca native shrub
<i>Prunus ilicifolia</i>	holly-leaved cherry	Ca native shrub/ sm. tree
<i>Polystichum munitum</i>	sword fern	Ca natives- shade tolerant
<i>Ribes sanguineum</i>	pink winter currant, red flowering currant	Ca native shrub, shade tolerant
<i>Rhus integrifolia</i>	Lemonade berry	Ca native shrub/tree sun
<i>Salvia clevelandii</i>	sage	Ca native shrub-- full sun
<i>Salvia sonomensis</i>	sage	Ca native ground cover- full sun
<i>Sisyrinchium bellum</i>	blue-eyed grass	Ca native perennial -- sun
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	snowberry	Ca native- shade>sun
<i>Zauschneria californica</i>	hummingbird flower, California fuchsia	Ca native perennial-sun
<i>Ajuga reptans</i>	carpet bugle	perennial ground cover
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	strawberry tree	Small evergreen tree
<i>Aurinia saxatilis</i>	basket of gold	perennial
<i>Coreopsis</i>	tickseed	perennial
<i>Cornus florida</i>	Eastern dogwood	Small deciduous tree
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	purple coneflower	perennials
<i>Prunus florabunda</i> 'Robinson'	flowering cherry	small tree
<i>Rhododendron</i>	azalea	low to tall shrubs, ample moisture
<i>Rosa florabunda</i>	rose	perennials/ shrubs
<i>Rubus pentalobus</i>	creeping raspberry	groundcover

<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i>	black-eyed susan	perennials
<i>Teucrium cossoni</i>	germander	perennials
<i>Ugni molinae</i>	Chilean guava	Shrub
<i>Duchesnea indica</i>	mock strawberry	low maintenance groundcovers
<i>Erigeron karvinskianus</i>	fleabane, Santa Barbara daisy	low maintenance groundcovers
<i>Festuca glauca</i>	fescue	low maintenance groundcovers
<i>Iris douglasiana</i>	Douglas iris	low maintenance groundcovers
<i>Kniphofia uvaria 'DWF'</i>	red-hot poker, torch-lily	low maintenance groundcovers
<i>Lantana camara</i>	lantana	low maintenance groundcovers
<i>Lavandula angustifolia</i>	English lavender	low maintenance low shrubs
<i>Lavandula dentata</i>	French lavender	Low maintenance shrub
<i>Lavendula spicata</i>	Spanish lavender	Low maintenance shrub
<i>Lonicera nitida</i>	boxwood honeysuckle	low, arching shrub
<i>Rhamnus californica</i>	coffeeberry	low maintenance shrubs
<i>Santolina virens</i>	santolina	low maintenance low shrubs
<i>Stachys byzantina</i>	lamb's ears	Low maintenance groundcover

Consider this list a starting point only.

Resources: Contra Costa Master Gardener Advice Line 925-646-6586

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Fire resistant landscaping plants for cool areas <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/files/filelibrary/616/9127.pdf>

California plants and Wildfire http://www.laspilitas.com/classes/fire_burn_times.html