



APPROVED PLANTING LIST

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PLANT CRITERIA:

- A. Non-Evasive Root Systems
- B. Qualify for Yuma's Plant Zone
- C. Low to Moderate Litter Problem
- D. Not Fruit Bearing (Edible Fruit)
- E. Low to Moderate Watering Needs

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TREES

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	COMMENTS
Acacia	Abyssinica Aneura or Mulga Baileyana Caspedocarpa Pearl Acacia Saligna Stenophylla or Shoestring	20-25' Evergreen-Feathery 20' Clean-small patio tree 20-30' Blooms Jan.-Feb.-one of the hardiest To 18' Dense Foliage To 20' For Patio Use Blooms Nov.- April 20-30' Blooms March - April 30' Very upright tree
Arecastrum Romanzoffianum	Queen Palm	NOT recommended- needs lots of water and care
Ash Fraxinus	Arizona Ash Fan-Tex (Rio Grande) Fan West Shamel	Deciduous-dormant in winter Deciduous-small Seedless-tolerates wind Evergreen to semi evergreen
Bauhinia Forficata	Orchid Tree	White Butterfly orchid tree Evergreen-20' H-Good canopy patio tree
Buahinia Punctata Best for our zone	Red Bauhunua	Red flowers-small tree or shrub Massive bloom (spectacular)
Bougainvilleas		May be used as trees or shrubs
Braohychiton	Bottletree	Not messy-per nurseries Evergreen
Brahea Palmae (slow growing palms)	Mexican blue Guadalupe Palm Franceschi Palm	To 40' H-slender trunk To 30' stout trunk To 15' slowest grower
Buxus	Boxwood (Japanese)	Very small tree or shrub
Cactus		Some like Prickley Pear grow as tall as trees but vicious to keep up
Caesalpinia Cacalaco	Cascalote	Evergreen to 20'H- thorns blooms in winter
Callistemon Species	Bottlebrush	Some litter Evergreen
Carcidium	Palo Verde Blue Foothills Sonoran RECOMMEND DO NOT USE: Mexican Palo Verde or Jerusalem Thorn	All are deciduous, thorny-moderately messy To 30"-yellow flowers SP To 20'- yellow flowers SP To 30'-horizontal branching, yellow flowers Very thorny-reseeds profusely-very dirty
Cercis	Redbud-Chinese,Eastern,Western	Shrub or tree-deciduous
Chamaerops Humilis Palmae	Mediterranean Fan Palm	Hardest Palm-slow growth to 20'H-grows clusters
Cupressus	Cypress-Arizonica Italian Tecate	To 40' Rough only bark-evergreen Evergreen 40' columnar To 20' -evergreen
Eucalyptus* Be careful when buying- there are many bad eucalyptus trees	Microtheca Polyanthumus Spathulala Coral Gum-Torquata Woodwardi	35-40' No breakage from wind-no litter Arizona's best 20-60' slender-erect-silver dollar 6-20' Evergreen 15-20' Evergreen-good small area Lemon Flowered-to 40' Evergreen-blooms fall-spring

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Euonymus	Japonica	Train for: Small tree or shrub 8-10' H with 6' spread-evergreen
Ficus		Dead leaf build-up – calls termites. NOT Recommended - MESSY
Giejera Pariflora	Australian Widow	To 30'H-20'W Evergreen Main branches sweep up
Hakea Laurena	Pincushion Tree	Small dense tree or shrub, patio tree, red flowers
Ilex Altaclarensis	Wilsonii Holly	For our zone
Juniperus	Juniper	
Lagerstroemia Indica	Crape Myrtle	Dediduous 10-30'H profuse summer blooms
Ligustrum Lucidum	Glossy Privet	To 35'- Evergreen-good shade tree small areas
Livistona Palmae L. Chinensis L. Australis L. Decipiens L. Mariae	Chinese Fountain Palm	Slow growing – to 15' To 40-50' slow growth To 30-40" in 20 years Grows slow- to 15'
Lysiloma Thornberi	Feather Bush Fern of Desert	Small tree or Large bush- Evergreen
Malaleuca	Numerous kinds	Large shrub, sm. tree + lg. trees to 40' Evergreen
Nerium Oleander	Oleander	Can be trained as small trees
Phoenix Loureiri or Humilis Palmae	Palm	10-18' no fruit-dark green leaves- good in containers or garden
Phoenix Roebeleni	Pigmy Date Palm (req. more water)	No fruit 6-8' dwarf-best in partial shade
Pittosporum	Tobira	6-15'H tall, dense shrub or small tree-evergreen
Poinciana (see Caesalpina) Cascalote		
Propropsis Chilensis	Chilean Mesquite-allergenic	Most evergreen-fernlike foliage
Podocarpus Macrophyllus	Japense Yew (Yew Pine)	Small tree to 20' H excellent for narrow spaces
Prunus Blireiana Prunus carolioniana Prunus Persica	Flowering plum Mockorange Flowering Peach	No fruit blooms, Feb-April OK – patios Small trees to 15'H- No fruit
Pyrus Kawakamii	Evergreen Pear	Ornamental Pear- No fruit
Sabal Palmae, Palmetto S. Mexicana (S. Texana) S. Uressana	Oaxaca Palmetto Sonoran Palmetto	To 30 – 40' H slender To 30' faster growing Drought tolerant
Tecoma Stans	Yellow Bells	Small tree Evergreen-seeds
Washington Filifera	California Fan Palm	Slow growing to 60' H-crown to 20'W CAN'T BE CLOSE TO WALLS OR FENCE
Washington Robusta	Mexican Fan Palm	Grows fast to 100'H
Xylosma Congestum, Senticosum, Myroxylon		A choice all purpose landscaping plant, 8' as a shrub, small garden tree to 20'. 15 years, makes good garden or patio canopy. For limited space

*****To get some of the palms listed (and all are for our zone), you may have to go to nursery's, which handle only a variety of palms.

SHRUBS

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	COMMENTS
Abelia	Mexican Abelia Glossy Abelia	Evergreen, 3-6'tall Evergreen, to 8' tall
Anisacanthus Thurberi	Desrt Honeysuckle	Evergreen
Atriplex	Saltbrush	Evergreen
Bauhinia Punctata	Red Bauhinia	Spectacular as bougainvillea-evergreen
Bougainvillea	Crimson Jewel Hawaii (raspberry ice) La Jolla Varigated	Heavy bloom – long season One of hardiest- red Red variegated leaves
Buddleia-Davidii	Butterfly Bush	
Buxus Microphylla Japonica	Japanese Boxwood Compacta	
Cactus (All)		Some are shrub size
Caesalpinia	Bird of Paradise	Mexicana- best blooms year round
Calleandra	Fairy-Duster	
Callistemon Citinus	Lemon Bottlebrush	
Carissa Grandiflora	Natal Plum	
Cassia Artemisiodes	Feathery Cassia	Evergreen-blooms Jan-April-Prune seed pod
Cassia Candelleana		Evergreen-blooms fall-Prune seed pods
Cistus	Rockrose	
Cocculus Laurifolius	Laurel-Leaf Cocculus	
Cotoneaster-Lacteus	Cotton-Lacteus Recommend DO NOT USE- Franchetti, Buxifolius & Pannosus	Evergreen USE ONLY Lacteus INVASIVE
Cowania Mexicana	Cliffrose	Evergreen
Cuphea Hyssopifolia	False Heather	Evergreen- dwarf shrub, lots of moisture
Cycas Revoluta	Sago Palm	Shrub size 3' – 10' Maximum
Dalea Pulchra	Pea Bush Black Dalea	Evergreen Purple bloom Winter – Spring Evergreen purple bloom
Dodonaea Viscosa	Hopbush	Evergreen- 12-15H moderate water. Stays compact 6'-8' with minimum water
Elaeagnus-Pungens & Ebbingei	Ebbing Silverberry	Evergreen
Ericameria Larcifolia	Turpentine Bush	Evergreen-yellow blooms in Fall
Eriogonum	California Buckwheat	3'H-4'W Flowers in clusters May-Oct
Euonymus Fortunei	Euonymus	Evergreen
Euonymus Japonica	Evergreen Euonymus	Evergreen-Best shrub where heat & soil conditions are unfavorable
Heteromeles Arbutifolia	Toyon or Christmas Berry	
Hibiscus		Modest light areas only
Juniperus	Juniper	
Justicia	Chuparosa Mexican Honeysuckle	Evergreen-red blooms-Spring Orange blooms-Spring & Fall
Lagerstroemia Indica	Crape Myrtle	Shrub or small tree
Lantana Camara		Deciduous Blooms Spring-Fall
Lavandula	French Lavender	Evergreen-blooms almost continuously
Leucophyllum Candidum	Cenizo	Evergreen-purple blooms Fall & Summer

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Leucophyllum Frutescens	Sage-compactum, Silver Cloud, Green Cloud, Texas	
Leucophyllum Laevigatum	Chihuahuan sage	Evergreen-purple bloom Fall & Summer
Ligustrum Ovalifolium	California Privet	Bee problem when blooming
Lysiloma Thornberi	Fern of the Desert	Evergreen-shrub or small tree has pods
Melaleuca	Pink, Heath, Lilac Mel	
Myrtus	Myrtle Bush	Evergreen shrub
Nandina Domestica	Heavenly bamboo	NOT a bamboo
Nerium oleander	Oleander	Allergenic-Can get dwarf or petite size now
Photinia Fraseri (only)	All the rest have berries	Evergreen-NO BERRIES
Pittosporum Tobira	Wheeler's Dwarf	Good near pools
Platycladus Orientalis	Nana Berkman's Dwarf (only)	Check carefully-most get too huge for our lots
Plumbago Auriculata		Evergreen
Punica Granatum	Chico Dwarf, Pomegranate, Nana Dwarf	NO fruit varieties, only
Pyracantha		
Raphiolepis Indica	Indian Hawthorn	Good near pools
Rosmarinus	Rosemary	Evergreen- Blooms winter and spring, Allergenic
Roses		
Ruellia Peninsularis	Ruellia	Evergreen- spring-fall-purple blooms
Salvia	Purple Sage, Mexican Bush, Sage, Silver Sage	And many more
Santolina Compositae	Lavender Cotton	Evergreen Shrub, yellow flowers, grow in any soil in full sun
Sphaeralcea Ambigua	Globe Mallow	Evergreen-blooms in spring and fall
Tagetes Lemmonii	Mt. Lemmon Marigold	Blooms in fall-gorgeous yellow Evergreen but allergenic
Tecoma Capensis	Cape Honeysuckle	
Tecoma Stans	Yellow Trumpet or Bells	
Ternstroemia Gymnanthera	Theaceae	Evergreen-tiny berries Plant only in full shade in our zone.
Thevetia (like oleander)	Giant Thevetia T. Peruviana	Yellow 4" flower clusters winter & summer Shrubs/trees Blooms June - November
Vauquelinia Californica	Arizona Rosewood	Evergreen
Viburnum Tinus	Laurustinus (only one for zone)	Evergreen shrub-small narrow tree- November – Spring blooms
Xylosma	All	One of the most handsome, easiest and versatile of all foliage landscaping plants

VINES

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	COMMENTS
Anemopaegma Chamberlaynii-Bignonia	Yellow Trumpet Vine(Cats Claw Vine)	Evergreen-yellow blooms Summer
Antigon Leptopus	Queens Wreath	Evergreen
Bougainvillea Brasiliensis	Bougainvillea	Evergreen-spring-fall color varies
Campsis Radicans	Common Trumpet Creeper	Evergreen Orange bloom spring-summer
Clytostoma Callistegiodes	Lavender Trumpet Vine	Evergreen
Gelsemium Sempervirens	Carolina Jasmine	Evergreen-blooms late winter early spring
Jasminium Mesnyi	Primrose Jasmine	Evergreen yellow bloom Spring
Lonicera Japonica	Halls or Japanese Honeysuckle	Evergreen
Macfadyena Unguis-Cati	Cat's Claw Vine also Yellow Trumpet	Partly deciduous blooms early spring
Merremia Aurea	Yellow Morning Glory Vine	Evergreen yellow bloom spring
Passiflora Alatacaerulea	Passion Vine	White shaded lavender 4" flowers
Polygonum Aubertii	Silver Lace Vine	Evergreen
Pryostegia Venustra-Bignonia	Flame Vine	Evergreen- impressive flowers- fall – early winter
Rosa Banksiae	Lady Bank's Rose	Evergreen-white flowers Spring
Solanum Jasminoides	Potato Vine	Blooms most of the year Evergreen
Tecomaria Capensis	Cape Honeysuckle	Evergreen blooms fall thru winter

GROUND COVERS

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	COMMENTS
Abeoelia	Prostrata Edward Goucher	18-24"h-4 Spread white flowers Pink flowers-bronze leaf
Acacia Redolens	Prostrate Acacia	Flowers in spring
Asparagus Densiflorus	Sprengeri	Fernlike affect 12-24"h mound
Atriplex Semibacata	Australian Saltbrush	Evergreen
Cotoneaster	Bearberry	
Dalea Greggii	Trailing Indigo Bush	Spring to summer Evergreen
Delosperma Nubigenum	Ice Plant	
Dicondra Micrantha	Dicondra	
Dyssodia Pentachaeta	Golden Fleece Dahlberg Daisy	Evergreen spring-fall yellow blooms
Euonymus	Trailing Euonymus	
Gazania Rigens	Gazania	Many flower colors Evergreen spring & fall
Juniperus	Juniper	
Lantana Montevicensis	Lantana (trailing)	(NOT) Evergreen Long flower season 1'-2' tall, spreads 6'
Mahonia Repens	Creeping Mahonia	Spring blooms
Melampodium Leucanthum	Blackfoot Daisy	Evergreen-spring-fall white blooms
Myoporum Parvifolium	Prostrate Myoporum	Evergreen white blooms spring
Oenothera	Mexican Evening Primrose White Primrose Saltillio Primrose	Evergreen-Pink bloom spring-fall Evergreen-spring-fall Evergreen-Yellow bloom spring-fall

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Osteospermum Fruiticosum	Trailing African Daisy	Late fall –winter 1'tall spreads-2" white or purple flowers
Pittosporum	Wheeler's Dwarf	
Rosmarinus	Prostrate dwarf or Prostrate Rosemary	Allergenic-Evergreen, blooms winter – spring
Santolina	Lavender Cotton	
Sedum		
Verbena Species	Verbena (all) Verbena Rigida	Multi colored flowers More drought tolerant, purple blooms all year
Zauschneria Californica	California Fuchsia or Hummingbird Trumpet	Not evergreen-blooms summer & fall
Zinnia Grandiflora	Prairie Zinnia	Evergreen-blooms spring & fall yellow/orange flowers

GRASS OR GRASSLIKE BUSHES

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	COMMENTS
Dasylium Wheeleri	Desert Spoon/Sotol	Evergreen-bloom-spring
Hesperaloe Parviflora	Red Yucca Hesperaloe	Evergreen spring-fall coral blooms
Miscanthus Sinensis	Maiden Grass	Perennial to 6' tall-varied leaf color
Muhlenbergia Rigens	Deer Grass	4'x4'
Nolina Microcarpa	Beargrass	Not an actual grass but grassy appearance-to 18" high. Flowers summer-seed husks are ornamental
Pennisetum Setaceum-Ruppelii	Fountain Grass	Ruppelii can invade-Green & straw colored-4' seeds itself
Cupreum	Fountain grass-ok	Reddish foliage-no seeds
Atrogruneum		Purple
Rubrum		Rose colored foliage

CACTUS AND SUCCULENTS

ALL Cactus and Succulents are approved

Aloe, Agave, Barrel, Desert Spoon, Hesperaloe, Octillo, Pensemon, Saguaro, Yucca, Cholla are just some that are available.

FLOWERS

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME
Ageratum	
Alyssum	
Aster	
Candytuff	
Celosia Plumosa	
Dahlia	
Dianthus	
Gazania	
Geranium	
Gerbera	
Ice Plant	
Marigold	
Nasturtium	
Nemphila	
Pansy	
Petunia	
Phlox Salvia Protulaca	Moss Rose
Sedum	
Snapdragon	
Verbena	
Vinca	Preiwinkle
Zinna	

RECOMMENDED TREES

TREE NAME	COMMENTS
AUSTRALIAN BOTTLE TREE	Moderate size - Evergreen - Heat Tolerant
SHOESTRING ACACIA	Thornless – Fast growing evergreen – Fairly clean tree – Drought tolerant
TEXAS EBONY	Small to medium – Native to AZ – Bright green leaves
CHASTE TREE/VITEX	Small tree/large bush – Lilac colored flowers – Extremely tolerant of dry soils once established – Grows quickly

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