

PERENNIALS & BULBS	Height	Spread	Flowers	Soil	Remarks
* Agapanthus <i>Agapanthus varieties</i>	8"-5'	to 3'	White or blue clusters Mid summer	Most, drained	3 hours or more sun/day, plant from gallon cans anytime. Divide infrequently, good container plant, near pools, or in flower beds. Mostly evergreen, aka 'Lily-of-the-Nile'
Allium, Giant <i>Allium giganteum</i>	to 5'		Bright lilac ball-like clusters, June	Deep, rich, drained	Sun, plant bulbs in fall, regular water until flowering is over - then none. Good dried flowers.
Allium, Star of Persia <i>Allium christophii</i>	12-15'		Lilac starlike, metallic sheen clusters, June	Deep, rich, drained	Sun, plant bulbs in fall, regular water until flowering is over - then none. Dried flower looks like elegant ornament.
* Basket of Gold <i>Aurinia saxatilis</i>	8-12"	18"	Golden yellow clusters May	Most, drained	Sun or light shade, plant bedding plants or gallon cans in spring, sheer up to ½ of plant after bloom, water weekly through bloom, then every 10-14 days. Not showy after bloom.
* Coreopsis <i>Coreopsis grandiflora</i>	1-2'	3'	Bright yellow, 2 ½-3" across, long stems all summer	Rich, drained	Full sun to avoid mildew, plant from bedding plants or gallon cans late spring, re-seed easily, water every 2-3 weeks. Variety "Sunburst" - large semi-double flowers is available in seeds.
* Daffodil <i>Narcissus varieties</i>	to 2'	8"	Yellow or white with many variations Dec-April	Most	Sun or light shade, plant from bulbs in fall, water as needed until bloom is over, then no water is necessary, good cut flower, let foliage die back, many varieties available, gopher proof.
* Day Lily <i>Hemerocallis varieties</i>	1-5'	to 4'	various	Most	Sun or part shade, from bulbs or gallon cans at nurseries or mail order. Water thoroughly while blooming. Bloom time varies. Use as background
* Dusty Miller <i>Artemisia stellerana</i>	2-2 ½'	3'	Bright yellow on spikes	Deep, rich, drained	Sun or partial shade, plant 4" pots year round, gray foliage, finely cut, is nice background for other plants in bloom, it's own bloom not attractive, deeps foliage all winter, prune to avoid leggy look but still needs replacing every 3-5 years, water every 2-3 weeks.
* Dusty Miller <i>Senecio cineraria</i>	to 2'	to 1'	Bright yellow on spikes	Deep, rich, drained	Sun or partial shade, plant from bedding plants in spring, gray foliage is nice contrast with other plants in bloom, cut back end of summer to avoid leggy look, water every 2-3 weeks.
* Gaillardia <i>Gaillardia grandiflora</i>	to 3'	to 3'	Red or yellow w/orange or maroon, daisy-like June to frost	Deep, rich, drained	Sun or partial shade, plant from seed, bedding plants or gallon cans in spring, good cut flower, keep old blooms picked to prolong blooming, good cut flower, water every 2-3 weeks, very reliable.
* Garden Sage <i>Salvia officinalis</i>	1 ½" - 2'	to 3'	Violet-blue early summer, fragrant, good cut	Most, drained	Sun or light shade, plant from seeds, cuttings, small pots, gallon cans anytime except winter. Narrow gray-green 1-2" leaves, cut back after bloom, divide every 3-4 years. Use fresh or dried for seasoning.
Geum <i>Geum quellyon</i>	15"	to 15"	Double yellow or red on 2' stems, late spring	Most, drained	Sun or part shade, plant from gallon cans in spring. Good for borders.
Grape Hyacinth <i>Muscari armeniacum</i>	to 8"	to 6"	Bright blue spikes spring	Most	Sun or part shade, plant bulbs in fall, grassy fleshy leaves from autumn through bloom, can be used as cut or dried flowers, re-seeds quite easily and can be transplanted, no summer water necessary.

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* Iris, Bearded <i>Iris</i>	to 3'	to 18"	All colors, but pure red and green, purples most common, mostly two-toned, late spring	Most, drained	Sun or part shade, plant rhizomes in fall. Good cut flower, divide every 3-4 years, water 2-3 times during summer.
* Lamb's Ears <i>Stachys byzantina</i>	to 1'		Purplish, small June-July	Good soil, drained	Sun or light shade, from cuttings or small pots in spring. Soft, thick white-woolly leaves. Gets mushy in winter, cut back in spring. Grown mostly for foliage contrast. Good in borders, ground cover under high oaks.
Mexican Evening Primrose <i>Oenothera berlandieri</i>	to 1'	to 2'	Rose pink, 1 1/2" across, profuse, early summer	Most, drained	Sun or light shade, available from gallon cans late spring, daytime bloom, water every 2-3 weeks.
* Naked Lady <i>Amaryllis belladonna</i>	2-3'	2-3'	Rosy pink, fragrant late summer	Most, drained	Sun or light shade, plant bulbs in fall, foliage during early spring - dies in summer and bloom looks naked, water monthly
* Poppy, California <i>Eschscholzia californica</i>	to 1'	to 1'	Deep orange to pale yellow, 2" April-June	Most	Sun, start from seed fall through early spring, do not compete well with weeds, cut back after bloom, don't transplant well, no summer water necessary.
* Poppy, Matilija <i>Romneya coulteri</i>	to 6'	to 4'	White crepe paper-like with gold center June	Most	Sun, start from root cuttings in fall or gallon cans in spring, difficult to start, not attractive except in bloom, good cut flowers, flowers fragrant, water every 2-4 weeks.
* Poppy, Oriental <i>Papaver orientale</i>	to 4'	to 18"	Brilliant or pastel shades early summer	Most, drained	Sun or light shade, start from bedding plants or gallon cans in spring, foliage dies in summer after bloom, reappears late winter, water regularly until bloom is done - then every 3-4 weeks.
* Red Hot Poker <i>Kniphofia uvaria</i>	3-6'	2-3'	Orange red or yellow, 1' poker-like flowers late summer	Most	Sun or light shade, start from root divisions or gallon cans anytime, cut back in fall, coarse looking plant, water monthly
Red Valerian <i>Centranthus ruber</i>	to 3'	to 3'	Crimson to pale pink in clusters, late spring	Most	Sun or part shade, start from mail order roots, good cut flowers, self-sows prolifically, many consider it a weed, use in fringe areas, water every 3-4 weeks.
Yarrow, Common <i>Achillea millefolium</i>	to 3'	to 2'	White clusters summer	Most, drained	Sun or light shade, start from 4" pots or gallon cans in spring, cut spent flowers to prolong bloom, good cut flower, green or gray green leaves, 'Rosea' has rosy pink flowers, water every 3 weeks.
Yarrow, Fernleaf <i>Achillea filipendulina</i>	4-5'	2-3'	Bright yellow in flat topped clusters, summer	Most, drained	Sun or light shade, start from 4" pots or gallon cans in spring, cut spent flowers to prolong bloom, good cut flower, shorter varieties available, water every 3 weeks.
Yarrow, Silvery <i>Achillea clavennae</i>	to 10"	to 12"	Ivory white flat-topped clusters summer	Most, drained	Sun or light shade, start from 4" pots or gallon cans in spring, cut spent flowers to prolong bloom, good cut flower, water every 3 weeks.