



MakeWaterWork Plant Collection

PLANT TYPE CODES

- G** Grass
 S Shrub
 ES Evergreen Shrub
 T Tree
P Perennial
 FS Flowering Shrub
 ES-H Evergreen Shrub Hedging

WATER NEEDS

- 0-3" (7.5cm) per year**
 4-7" (10-18cm) per year
 8-11" (20-28cm) per year

LIGHT REQUIREMENTS

- S** Full Sun
PS Part Sun - Part Shade
SH Shade



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PERENNIALS

Barrenwort	Epimedium (spp.)	P		PS/SH		
Bigroot Cranesbill	Geranium (spp.)	P		S/PS		
Blanket Flower	Gaillardia (spp.)	P		S		
Blue Flax	Linum perenne	P	*	S/PS		
Butterfly Gaura	Gaura lindheimeri	P		S		
Chives	Allium schoenoprasum	P		S	Edible	
Cushion Spurge	Euphorbia polychroma	P	*	S/PS		
Dusseldorf Pride Thrift	Armeria maritima (var.)	P		S		
Firewitch Pinks	Dianthus (spp.)	P		S	Edible	
Garlic Chives	Allium tuberosum	P		S	Edible	
German Iris	Iris germanica	P		S		
Gloriosa Daisy	Rudbeckia hirta	P		S		
Hardy Ice Plant	Delosperma (spp.)	P		S		
Heartleaf Bergenia	Bergenia cordifolia	P		PS/SH		
Hen and Chicks	Sempervivum (spp.)	P		S/PS		
Jupiter's Beard	Centranthus ruber	P		S/PS		
Lamb's Ears	Stachys byzantina	P		S/PS/SH		
Lavender	Lavandula (spp.)	P		S	Edible	

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Watering Instructions

On average, the Okanagan gets about 11 inches (28 cm) of natural precipitation annually. The amount of additional water a plant will need in the growing season will be affected by the type of soil it is growing in and whether or not the soil has been covered by mulch (which helps retain moisture!).

The water needs indicated (1 or 2 drops) are for mulched, average, well-drained soil with good organic content and after the plants are established. Plants in sandy soils will need a bit more water, and plants in clay soils will do well with less than the suggested supplementation.

It is important to water deeply and less often so that water soaks into the soil and encourages deep root growth. A deep watering would be an application of one inch. (Measure how long that takes by putting out tuna cans within the area next time you water.) Any supplemental watering that is required is needed most in our dry summer months.

To attract pollinators, choose plants with different bloom times.

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Missouri Evening Primrose	Oenothera missouriensis	🌸 P	💧	S		
Moonshine Yarrow	Achillea (spp.)	🌸 P	💧💧	S		
Nodding Onion	Allium cernuum	🌸 P	💧	S	Edible	Native
Ostrich Fern	Matteucia struthiopteris	🌸 P	💧	PS		
Perennial Candytuft	Iberis sempervirens	🌸 P	💧💧	S/PS		
PricklyPear Cactus	Opuntia polyacantha	🌵 P	💧	S	Edible	
Red Rocks Penstemon	Penstemon mexicali 'Red Rocks'	🌸 P	💧	S		
Rhubarb	Rheum rhabarbarum	🌸 P	💧💧	S	Edible	
Russian Sage	Salvia yangii	🌸 P	💧	S		
Sage (herb)	Salvia officinalis	🌸 P	💧	S	Edible	
Salvia 'Caradonna'	Salvia nemorosa (var.)	🌸 P	💧💧	S		
Santolina	Santolina chamaecyparissus	🌸 P	💧	S		
Sea Lavender	Limonium latifolium	🌸 P	💧💧	S		
Silver Mound	Artemisia schmidtiana 'Silver Mound'	🌸 P	💧	S		
Stella D'Oro Daylily	Hemerocallis 'Stella D'Oro'	🌸 P	💧💧	S/PS	Edible	
Stonecrop	Sedum (spp.)	🌸 P	💧	S/PS		
Thread-leaf Coreopsis	Coreopsis verticillata 'Zagreb'	🌸 P	💧	S		
Thyme	Thymus (spp.)	🌸 P	💧	S	Edible	
Walker's Low Catmint	Nepeta (spp.)	🌸 P	💧	S/PS		
Wooly Thyme	Thymus pseudolanuginosus (spp.)	🌸 P	💧	S		
Yucca	Yucca (spp.)	🌵 P	💧	S	Edible	
GRASSES						
Big Bluestem	Andropogon gerardii	🌾 G	💧💧	S/PS		
Blue Fescue	Festuca glauca (var.)	🌾 G	💧	S/PS		
Blue Gramma Grass	Bouteloua gracilis	🌾 G	💧	S		
Blue Hair Grass	Koeleria glauca	🌾 G	💧	S		
Blue Moor Grass	Sesleria caerulea	🌾 G	💧💧	S/PS		
Blue Oat Grass	Helictotrichon sempervirens	🌾 G	💧	S		
Blue Sedge	Carex flacca	🌾 G	💧💧	S/PS/SH		
Bluebunch Wheatgrass	Pseudoregneria spicata	🌾 G	💧	S		Native
Hardy Pampas Grass	Saccharum ravennae	🌾 G	💧💧	S		

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Heavy Metal Switchgrass	Panicum virgatum 'Heavy Metal'	G	2	S		
Karl Foerster Feather Reed Grass	Calamagrostis 'Karl Foerster'	G	2**	S/PS		
Little Bluestem	Schizachrium scoparium	G	1	S		
Mexican Feather Grass	Nassella tenuissima	G	1	S		
Northern Sea Oats	Chasmanthium latifolium	G	2**	S/PS/SH		
Prairie Dropseed	Sporobolus heterolepis	G	2	S/PS		
SHRUBS						
Dwarf Arctic Willow	Salix purpurea 'Nana'	S	2	S/PS		
Japanese Barberry	Berberis thunbergii (var.)	S	2	S/PS		
Tiger Eyes Sumac (Note: may spread)	Rhus typhina 'Bailtiger'	S	1	S		
Winter Creeper	Euonymous fortunei	S	2	S/PS		
European Privet	Ligustrum vulgare	S-H	2	S		
EVERGREEN SHRUBS						
Gold Coast Juniper	Juniperus chinensis (var.)	ES	1	S		
Oregon Grape	Mahonia aquifolium	ES	1	S/PS	Edible	Native
Slowmound Mugo Pine	Pinus mugo 'Slowmound' (var.)	ES	1	S		
Spruce - Baby Blue	Picea pungens 'Baby Blue'	ES - T	2	S		
Spruce - Little Gem	Picea abies 'Little Gem'	ES	2	S		
Hicks Yew	Taxus x media 'Hicksii'	ES - H	2	S		
Juniper Moonglow	Juniperus scopolorum	ES - H	1	S		
Juniper Skyrocket	Juniperus virginiana (var.)	ES - H	1	S		
FLOWERING SHRUBS						
Potentilla	Potentilla (spp.)	FS	2	S		
Beauty Bush	Kolkwitzia amabilis	FS	2	S		
Black Currant	Ribes nigrum	FS	2	S	Edible	
Blanc de Coubert Rose	Rosa x rugosa 'Blanc de Coubert'	FS	2	S	Edible	
Blue Elderberry	Sambucus caerulea	FS - T	2	S/PS	Edible	Native
Blue Mist Spirea	Caryopteris x clandonensis 'Dark Knight'	FS	2	S		
Burning Bush	Euonymous alatus	FS	2	S		
Common Lilac	Syringa vulgaris	FS	1	S		

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Fernbush (Note: may spread)	Chamaebataria millefolium	FS	1 drop	S/PS		
Gro-Low Fragrant Sumac	Rhus aromatica 'Gro-Low'	FS	1 drop	S/PS		
Miss Kim Lilac	Syringa patula 'Miss Kim'	FS	2 drops	S		
Mock Orange Waterton	Philadelphus lewisii "Waterton" (spp.)	FS	2 drops	S		
Common Ninebark	Physocarpus opulifolius	FS	2 drops	S		
Northern Gold Forsythia	Forsythia 'Northern Gold'	FS	2 drops	S/PS		
Rabbitbrush	Ericameria nauseosa	FS	1 drop	S		Native
Red Currant	Ribes rubrum	FS	2 drops	S	Edible	
Hedge Cotoneaster	Cotoneaster lucidus	FS - H	1 drop	S/PS		
Rose - Hansa	Rosa x rugosa 'Hansa'	FS	1 drop	S	Edible	
Rose - Pavement	Rosa rugosa Pavement series	FS	2 drops	S		
Rose - Red Leaf (Note: may spread)	Rosa glauca	FS	1 drop	S	Edible	
Saskatoon Serviceberry	Amelanchier alnifolia	FS - H	1 drop	S/PS	Edible	Native
Soopolallie	Shepherdia canadensis	FS	2 drops	S	Edible	Native
Wax Currant	Ribes cereum	FS	1 drop	S/PS	Edible	Native
TREES						
Amur Maple	Acer ginnala	T	2 drops	S/PS		
Apricot	Prunus armeniaca	T	2 drops	S	Edible	
Common Hackberry	Celtis Occidentalis	T	2 drops	S/PS		
Golden Rain Tree	Koelruteria paniculata	T	2 drops	S		
Green Ash	Fraxinus pennsylvanica	T	2 drops	S		
Japanese Pagoda Tree	Styphnolobium japonicum	T	2 drops	S		
Italian Plum	Prunus domestica 'Italian'	T	2 drops	S	Edible	
Ivory Silk Lilac	Syringa reticulata 'Ivory Silk'	T	2 drops	S		
Kentucky Coffee Tree	Gymnocladus dioica	T	2 drops	S/PS		
Maidenhair Tree	Ginko biloba	T	2 drops	S		
Thornless Honeylocust	Gleditsia triacanthos (var.)	T	1 drop	S		
Paul's Scarlet Hawthorne	Crataegus oxyacantha 'Paul's Scarlet'	T	2 drops	S		
Purple Robe Locust (Note: may spread)	Robinia pseudoacacia (var.)	T	1 drop	S		
Walker's Weeping Caragana	Caragana arborescens 'Walker'	T	1 drop	S		
Wayfaring Tree	Viburnum lantana	T	1 drop	S		

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