



## El Paso County Native Plant List for Deer Resistant Plants

### Why Native Plants?

- They are adapted to our soils and climates
- Easier to maintain and require little or no soil amendments, fertilizer, or pesticides
- Require little or no supplemental irrigation – once established
- Support our native birds, bees, butterflies, and insects

<i>Scientific Name</i>	Common Name	Mature Plant Size	Sun or Shade	Soil Preference
<b>NATIVE SHRUBS</b>				
<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Leadplant	4' x 4'	fs	adaptable
<i>Artemisia tridentata</i>	Western sage	4-6' x 3-6'	fs	well-drained
<i>Cornus sericea</i>	Dogwood	6' x 8'	fs-ps	adaptable
<i>Fallugia paradoxa</i>	Apache Plume	4-6' x 4-6'	fs-ps	well-drained,sandy
<i>Prunus virginia</i>	Chokecherry	10-20' x 10-20'	ps-fs	adaptable
<i>Rhamnus smithii</i>	Smith's buckthorn	8' x 8'	fs	adaptable
<i>Ribes aureum</i>	Golden currant	6' x 5'	fs-ps	adaptable
<i>Ribes cereum</i>	Wax currant	4' x 3'	fs	adaptable
<i>Cercocarpus ledifolius</i>	Curl Leaf Mountain mahogany	15' x 15'	fs	well-drained
<i>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</i>	Rabbitbrush	2-6' x 3-4'	fs	adaptable
<i>Forestiera neomexicana</i>	New Mexico privet	12' x 12'	fs-ps	adaptable
<i>Rhamnus smithii</i>	Smith's buckthorn	8' x 8'	fs	adaptable
<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	Shrubby cinquefoil	4' x 4'	fs	adaptable
<i>Prunus americana</i>	American plum	12' x 10'	fs-ps	adaptable
<i>Purshia tridentata</i>	Antelope bitterbrush	5' x 4'	fs	well-drained
<i>Rubus deliciosus</i>	Boulder raspberry	8' x 6'	fs-ps	adaptable
<i>Shepherdia argentea</i>	Silver buffaloberry	6-15' x 8'	fs	adaptable
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	Snowberry	4' x 6'	fs-ps-s	adaptable

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<b>NON-NATIVE (but xeric) SHRUBS</b>				
<i>Caryopteris × clandonensis</i>	Blue Mist spirea	2' x 3'	fs	well-drained
<i>Chamaebatiara millefolium</i>	Fernbush	3-4' x 3-4'	fs	adaptable
<i>Cotinus coggygria</i> 'Royal Purple'	Royal Purple' smoketree	6' x 6'	fs-ps	adaptable
<i>Cytisus purgans</i>	Brooms	3-4' x 5-6'	fs	adaptable
<i>Euonymus alatus</i>	Burning bush	6-10' x 5-8'	fs-ps	adaptable
<i>Ligustrum vulgare</i>	Privet	10' x 12'	fs-ps	well-drained
<i>Lonicera korolkowii</i> 'Floribunda '	Blue Velvet honeysuckle	12' x 8'	fs-ps	adaptable
<i>Mahonia aquifolium</i>	Oregon Grape holly	3-6' x 3-4'	ps-s	loam
<i>Prunus tomentosa</i>	Nanking cherry	8' x 8'	fs	adaptable
<i>Rhus aromatica</i> 'Gro-Low'	Gro-Low sumac	3' x 6'	fs-ps	adaptable

<i>Scientific Name</i>	Common Name	D/E	Mature Plant Size	Sun or Shade	Soil Preference
<b>NATIVE TREES</b>					
<i>Quercus gambelii</i>	Gambel oak	D	5-15' x 10-15'	fs	well-drained
<i>Juniperus monosperma</i>	Oneseed juniper	E	15-25' x 10-15'	fs	well-drained
<i>Juniperus scopulorum</i>	Rocky Mountain juniper	E	15-25' x 5-15'	fs	well-drained
<i>Pinus ponderosa</i>	Ponderosa pine	E	45-50' x 25-30'	fs	adaptable
<b>NON-NATIVE (but xeric) TREES</b>					
<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	Common hackberry	D	25-45' x 30-40'	fs	adaptable
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos inermis</i>	Thornless honeylocust	D	30-60' x 25-50'	fs	adaptable

D=Deciduous, E=Evergreen

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<b>NATIVE CACTI &amp; YUCCA</b>				
<i>Yucca baccata</i>	Banana yucca	1-2' x 4-6'	fs	adaptable
<i>Yucca filamentosa</i>	Adam's needle	4-8' x 2-3'	fs	adaptable
<i>Yucca glauca</i>	Soapweed	16-20" x 24-36"	fs	adaptable

Botanical name	Common Name	Mature Size	Sun or Shade	Soil Preference	Bloom Time	Bloom Color
NATIVE PERENNIALS (Regional natives have a *)						
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Native yarrow	12 "x 36"	fs	well-drained	summer	white (native)
<i>Agastache cana</i> *	Double Bubble mint	24-36" x 18"	fs	well-drained	summer-fall	pink
<i>Agastache rupestris</i> *	Sunset hyssop	24-26" x 18"	fs	well-drained	summer-fall	pink
<i>Antennaria spp.</i>	Pussytoes	2-6" x 12"	fs-ps	well-drained	spring-summer	cream, pink
<i>Artemisia frigida</i>	Fringed sage	12" x 18"	fs	well-drained	summer	n/a
<i>Artemisia ludoviciana</i>	Prairie sage	18" x 18"	fs	well-drained	summer	n/a
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly weed	18" x 18"	fs	well-drained, sandy	summer	orange
<i>Aster/Symphotrichon novae-angliae</i>	New England aster	12-72' x 12-36'	fs	well-drained	late summer-fall	rose-purple, lavender, white
<i>Berlandiera lyrata</i>	Chocolate flower	18" x 18"	fs	well-drained	summer	yellow
<i>Echinacea pallida</i>	Drooping coneflower	24-36" x 12-18"	fs	well-drained	summer	pink to purple
<i>Eriogonum umbellatum</i>	Sulphur flower	6-12" x 12-24"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring-summer	yellow
<i>Eriogonum wrightii var. wrightii</i> *	Wright's buckwheat	18-20" x 18-24"	fs-ps	adaptable	fall	white
<i>Gaillardia aristata</i>	Blanket flower	12" x 12"	fs	well-drained	summer-fall	yellow-orange
<i>Geranium viscosissimum</i>	Sticky geranium	12-24" x 12-24"	fs-ps	well-drained	spring-summer	pink-purple
<i>Geum triflorum</i>	Prairie smoke	6-24" x 6-12"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring-summer	cream-pink
<i>Helianthus maximiliana</i>	Maximilian sunflower	48" x 48"	fs	well-drained	fall	yellow
<i>Heliomeris multiflora</i>	Showy goldeneye	18-30" x 18-30"	fs	well-drained	summer-fall	yellow
<i>Liatris punctata</i>	Dotted gayfeather	24" x 12"	fs-ps	well-drained, sandy	late summer	blue-purple
<i>Liatris spicata</i> *	Gayfeather	24-36" x 9-24"	fs	well-drained	mid-summer to fall	purple, rose-red or white

<i>Linum lewisii</i>	Wild blue flax	18" x 12"	fs	well-drained	late spring-early summer	blue
<i>Melampodium leucanthum</i>	Blackfoot daisy	10-12" x 10-20"	fs-ps	well-drained, rocky	spring-summer	white
<i>Mirabilis multiflora</i>	Desert four-o'clock	18" x 48"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring - summer	pink/lavendar
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Bee balm	24" x 24"	fs	well-drained, fertile	summer	white/lavendar
<i>Penstemon barbatus</i>	Scarlet Bugler penstemon	24-36" x 12-24"	fs	well-drained	late spring summer	red-orange
<i>Penstemon caespitosus</i>	Mat penstemon	12-24" x 12-14"	fs	well-drained	spring-early summer	blue-violet
<i>Penstemon eatonii</i>	Firecracker penstemon	18-24" x 12-15"	fs	well-drained	spring-summer	scarlet-red
<i>Penstemon grandiflorus</i> 'Prairie Jewel'	Prairie Jewel penstemon	30" x 12"	fs	well-drained	summer	lavender
<i>Penstemon mensarum</i>	Grand mesa penstemon	24-30" x 12-15"	fs-ps	adaptable	early summer	cobalt blue
<i>Penstemon palmeri</i>	Palmer's penstemon	24-48" x 18-24"	fs	well-drained	early summer	pale pink
<i>Penstemon secundiflorus</i>	Sidebells penstemon	20" x 12"	fs-ps	rocky soils	summer	pink/purple
<i>Penstemon strictus</i>	Rocky Mountain penstemon	30" x 24"	fs-ps	well-drained	early summer	blue/purple
<i>Penstemon virens</i>	Blue mist penstemon	8" x 8-10"	fs	well-drained	late spring	blue
<i>Ratibida columnifera</i>	Mexican Hat/Prairie coneflower	18" x 12"	fs-ps	well-drained	summer	yellow/orange
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black-eyed Susan	24" x 7-12"	fs-ps	Well-drained	summer	yellow/orange
<i>Salvia dorrii</i> *	Desert purple sage	18" x 30"	fs	well-drained	late spring to late summer	Purple
<i>Salvia greggii</i> *	Texas sage	24-36" x 18"	fs	well-drained	early summer	red, pink
<i>Salvia pachyphylla</i> *	Mojave sage	18-24" x 24-30"	fs	well-drained	mid-late summer	purple
<i>Stanleya pinnata</i>	Prince's plume	24-48" x 12-18"	fs	well-drained	spring	yellow
<i>Zinnia grandiflora</i>	Prairie zinnia	4-8" x 4-8"	fs-ps	well-drained	summer-fall	yellow
<i>Zauschneria garrettii/Epilobium</i>	Orange Carpet hummingbird trumpet	4-6" x 18-24"	fs-ps	sandy, loam	mid-late summer	red

<i>canum subsp. garrettii</i> 'Orange Carpet'*						
NON-NATIVE (but xeric) PERENNIALS						
<i>Achillea filipendulina</i>	Fernleaf yarrow	36" x 24"	fs	well-drained	summer	yellow
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Yarrow hybrids	18" x 18"	fs-ps	well-drained	summer	hybrids can be yellow, pink, orange, red
<i>Achillea tomentosa</i>	Woolly yarrow	6-12" x 18"	fs	well-drained	summer	white
<i>Alyssum saxatile</i>	Alyssum	6-12" x 12-18"	fs	well-drained	spring	yellow
<i>Alyssum wulfenianum</i>	Mountain alyssum	6-9" x 12-18"	fs	well-drained	spring	yellow
<i>Anacyclus depressus</i>	Atlas daisy	3" x 12"	fs	well-drained	summer	white
<i>Artemisia 'Powis Castle'</i>	Powis Castle' sage	30" x 60"	fs	well-drained	late summer-fall	n/a
<i>Artemisia schmidtiana</i>	Silver mound sage	6-12" x 12-18"	fs	well-drained	summer	n/a
<i>Artemisia stelleriana</i>	Silver Brocade' perennial dusty miller sage	4-8" x 12-14"	fs	well-drained	summer	n/a
<i>Centaurea dealbata 'Rosea'</i>	Persian cornflower	24-36" x 18-24"	fs	well-drained	late spring-summer	rose-pink
<i>Cerastium tomentosum</i>	Snow-in-summer	6-12" x 6-18"	fs	well-drained	summer	white
<i>Dianthus deltoides</i>	Maiden pink	4-6" x 24"	fs	well-drained	late spring-summer	pink
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple coneflower	36" x 24"	fs-ps	well-drained	summer to fall	pink-purple
<i>Echinops ritro</i>	Small globe thistle	24-36" x 12-24"	fs	well-drained	summer	blue
<i>Echinops sphaerocephalus</i>	Great globe thistle	24-36" x 24-36"	fs	well-drained	mid-late summer	white
<i>Gaura lindheimeri</i>	Whirling butterflies	36-60" x 12-24"	fs	well-drained	late summer-fall	white/pink
<i>Geranium cantabrigiense 'Biokovo'</i>	Biokovo cranesbill	10" x 36"	fs-ps	well-drained	early spring-summer	white
<i>Geranium macrorrhizum</i>	Bigroot cranesbill	12-18" x 12-24"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring-summer	purple-pink
<i>Geranium sanguineum</i>	Cranesbill	12-24" x 12-24"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring-late summer	magenta-pink
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	Sunrose or rock rose	6-12" x 18-36"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring-early summer	pink or yellow
<i>Iberis sempervirens</i>	Candytuft	6-9" x 6-18"	fs	well-drained, gravelly	mid-spring to summer	white

<i>Iris germanica</i>	Bearded iris	12-30" x 12-24"	fs	well-drained	late spring-summer	various
<i>Leucanthemum x superbum</i> 'Alaska'	Shasta daisy	18-36" x 18-24"	fs	well-drained	mid-late summer	white
<i>Lychnis coronaria</i>	Rose campion	12-24" x 12-24"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring-late summer	deep pink, white
<i>Marrubium rotundifolium</i>	Silver edged horehound	4" x 18"	s	adaptable	early summer	white
<i>Nepeta sp</i>	Catmint	10-24" x 12-24"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring-summer	blue, white, pink
<i>Origanum laevigatum</i>	Rosenkuppel' ornamental oregano	12-18" x 12-18"	fs	well-drained	mid-summer to mid-fall	violet red
<i>Perovskia atriplicifolia</i>	Russian sage	36-60" x 24-36"	fs	well-drained	mid-summer-fall	lavender
<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i> 'Goldsturm'	Goldsturm black-eyed Susan	24-36" x 12-24"	fs	well-drained	summer-fall	gold/orange
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	Three-lobed coneflower	24-36" x 12-24"	fs	well-drained, moist	summer-fall	yellow
<i>Ruschia hamata</i>	Trailing iceplant	4-6" x 6-12"	fs	well-drained	summer	purple
<i>Salvia officinalis</i>	Garden sage	15-24" x 8-14"	fs	well-drained	summer	blue
<i>Salvia sylvestris</i>	Meadow sage	18-14" x 18"	fs	adaptable	spring	purple
<i>Santolina chamaecyparissus</i>	Lavender cotton	24" x 36-48"	fs	well-drained	summer	yellow
<i>Saponaria lempergii</i> 'Max Frei'	Max Frei' giant soapwort	6" x 18"	fs-ps	adaptable	early-late summer	pink
<i>Saponaria ocymoides</i>	Soapwort	6-8" x 12-24"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring	pink
<i>Stachys byzantina</i>	Lamb's ears	6-24" x 12-36"	fs-ps	well-drained	late spring-summer	pink-purple
<i>Veronica pectinata</i>	Woolly veronica	2" x 18"	fs	well-drained	early-mid spring	lavender blue
<i>Veronica spicata</i>	Spiked speedwell	6-36" x 6-24"	fs	well-drained	spring-fall	pink, blue or white