

Landscape Plant Palette

Resource Guide



African Iris 2' Tall Low Water
Full Sun to Part Shade



Blue Flax Lily 3' Tall
Part Shade Moist Soil



Aztec Grass (Var. Liriope) 12"-24" Tall
Dense Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Dwarf Crown of Thorns 18"-24" Tall
Full Sun Low Water



Blue Daze 12" Tall Med. Water
Light Shade to Full Sun



Foxtail Fern 12"-18" Tall
Part Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Gold Mount Duranta 2' Tall
Light Shade to Full Sun Med. Water



Lantana Yellow 8"-12" Tall
Full Sun Medium Water



Jasmine 'Minima' 8" Tall
Full Sun Likes Moisture



Lily of the Nile 18"-24" Tall
Light Shade to Full Sun Med. Water



Lantana Purple 8"-12"
Full Sun Medium Water



Lily of the Nile Flower



Liriope 'Evergreen Giant' 12"-24" Tall
Dense Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Society Garlic 18"-24"
Full Sun Low Water



Purple Queen 6"-12" Low Water
Light Shade to Full Sun

Overwatering is the gravest error gardeners commit in Florida. This common practice shortens a plant's life, causes disease, and increases the maintenance requirements of each plant.

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These recommended water requirements are based on established landscape plants. Follow the watering recommendations for establishment, then follow the water recommendation for the plant.



Watering Guideline During Establishment

Recently planted shrubs and groundcovers need frequent, deep watering to establish their roots in the ground. The watering schedule depends upon the plants' environment. Shade gardens require half the water of sun gardens. Windy gardens require more water than calm gardens. Plants require twice as much water in summer heat than in winter cool. This can be very confusing, but getting your plants properly established in the landscape can be very important in the success of their growth. It takes about one inch of water to soak the soil to a depth of one foot. The schedule for watering varies depending on the conditions and the time of year. Here is a general guideline for watering during establishment:

First month — every day

Second month — every other day

Third month through sixth month — twice a week

These are general guidelines as plants may need more watering during a hot day and no rain versus a cool day or recent rain. It takes approximately 3 to 6 months for a one gallon plant to get established and 6 to 12 months for a three gallon plant to get established.

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Trees are a different story. Recently transplanted trees and shrubs survive best and establish most quickly with light, frequent irrigation. The recommended guidelines for tree establishment are as follows:

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| 2" caliper and less: | Daily for 2 weeks; every other day for 2 months; weekly until established. |
| 2-4" caliper: | Daily for 1 month; every other day for 3 months; weekly until established. |
| 4" caliper and more: | Daily for 6 weeks; every other day for 5 months; weekly until established. |

Trees provided with regular irrigation through the first growing season after transplanting require approximately three months per inch of trunk diameter to fully establish roots in the landscape soil. During the establishment period, shoots and trunk grow slower than they did before transplanting. When their growth rates become more or less consistent from one year to the next, the tree is considered established. *Resource: University of Florida Environmental Horticulture Department*

Plants properly weaned off water are much more able to withstand drought conditions than plants that are habitually overwatered.



Allamanda 4'-5' Tall Medium Water
Part Shade to Full Sun-Flowers More



Bougainvillea 'New River' 5' and up
Full Sun Low Water Good Drainage



Bird of Paradise 4' Tall Medium Water
Full Sun to Part Shade Acid Soil



Coontie 2'-4' Tall Native
Full Sun to Part Shade Low Water



Bougainvillea 'Helen Johnson' 2' Tall
Full Sun Low Water Good Drainage



Croton 'Mammey' 2'-3' Tall
Part Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Croton 'Petra' 3'-4' Tall Low Water
Part Shade to Full Sun (Fade in Full Sun)



Fakahatchee Grass 2'-3' Moist Soil
Part Shade to Full Sun (Pond Banks)



Dracaena 'Red Edged' 5'-6' Tall
Part Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Firebush Dwarf 4'-5' Drought Tolerant
Full Sun to Shade Attracts Butterflies



Eugenia Maintain as a Hedge 4'-6'
Part Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Fountain Grass Red 3'-4' Tall
Full Sun Low Water



Fountain Grass White 3'-4' Tall
Full Sun Low Water



Hibiscus 4'-5' Tall Medium Water
Light Shade to Full Sun



Green Island Ficus 2 1/2' - 3' Tall
Part Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Hibiscus Standard 6'-8' Tall
Light Shade to Full Sun Medium Water



Hawaiian Ti 'Red Sisters' 4' Tall
Medium Shade Medium Water



Indian Hawthorne 2 1/2'-3' Tall
Part Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Ixora 'Nora Grant'
Maintain at 3'-4' for best blooming
Light Shade to Full Sun Medium Water



Ixora 'Petite Red' Dwarf 2 –2 1/2' tall
Light Shade to Full Sun
Medium Water



Ixora 'Nora Grant' Flower



Jasmine 'Lakeview' Use as a shrub or
Small tree. Shrub maintain 3-4' good as a
hedge, Light Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Ixora Maui Red
Maintain 3'-4' for best blooming
Light Shade to Full Sun Medium Water



Plumbago Maintain 3-4' Tall
Light Shade to Full Sun Low Water



As a hedge maintain at 3-4', accent 5-6'
Full Sun Low Water Native



Podocarpus Easy to maintain at
different heights as a hedge
Light shade to Full sun Medium Water



'Stokes' Dwarf Holly 2-3' Tall
Full Sun or Light Shade Low Water



Schefflera 'Trinette' Maintain at 2-3'
Dense shade to Full Sun Low Water



Sweet Viburnum Maintain as a hedge 3-4'
Full Sun to Light Shade Low Water



Jatropha Large Shrub or Small Tree
Maintain 5-6' Light Shade to Full Sun
Blooms best in full sun, attracts
butterflies, Low water



Muhly Grass 3-5' Tall Native Full Sun
Tolerates Drought and Poor Drainage
Showy in Fall High Salt



Jatropha makes a very nice small tree
about 8-10' tall, blooms year round



Philodendron 'Xanadu' 3 to 4' Tall
Medium Shade to Full Sun Low Water



Mexican Petunia Maintain at 3-feet
Light Shade to Full Sun Medium Water



Philodendron selloum 6-8' Tall
Full Sun to Full Shade Low Water



Thryallis Maintain at 4-6' Tall
Full Sun to Light Shade Medium Water



Walters Viburnum 'Mrs. Schillers Delight'
Full Sun to Partial Shade 3' Tall Moist Soil



Variegated Pittosporum Full Sun to
Light Shade Maintain as a hedge 3-4'
Should be hand pruned Low Water



White Bird of Paradise 10-15' Tall
Full Sun to Medium Shade Low Water



Viburnum suspensum Maintain as a
hedge 3-4' tall Medium Shade to
Full Sun Low Water



Cabbage Palm 30-40' Tall Full Sun
Low Water Native Slow Growth



Chinese Fan Palm 25-30' Medium
Shade to Full Sun Low Water Slow



Canary Island Date Palm 40' Tall
Full Sun Slow Growth Low Water



Christmas Palm 15' Tall Medium
Shade to Full Sun Medium Water
Moderate Growth



Cardboard Palm 4-5' Medium Shade
to Full Sun Low Water Slow Growth



Coconut Palm 30' and up Full Sun
Low Water Moderate Growth



Foxtail Palm 30' Tall Light Shade to Full Sun Medium Water Fast Growth



Queen Palm 30-40' Tall Light Shade to Full Sun Low Water Fast Growth



Phoenix 'Medjol' 70' Tall Full Sun Low Water Slow Growth



Phoenix reclinata 25-30' Tall Full Sun Low Water Moderate Growth



Pygmy Date Palm 10-12' Tall Medium Shade to Full Sun Low Water Slow



Royal Palm 50-60' Tall Full Sun Medium Water Moderate Growth

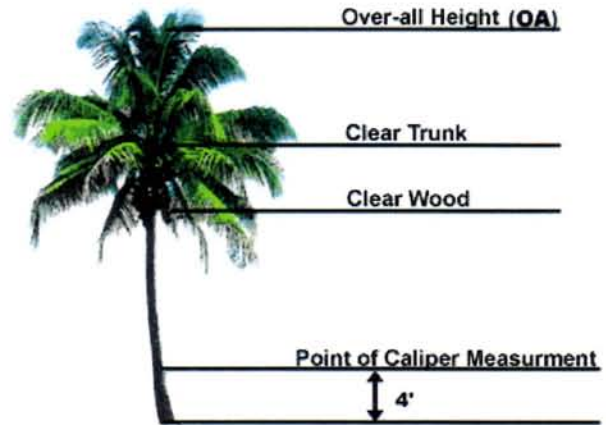


Wild Date Palm (*Phoenix sylvestris*)
30' Tall Full Sun Low Water Slow



Windmill Palm 20' Tall Full Sun to
Light Shade Low Water Slow Growth

Cocos Nucifera





Black Olive 'Shady Lady' 25' Tall Full Sun Low Water



Desert Cassia 8-10' Tall Full Sun to Light Shade Low Water Winter Flower



Cattley Guava 10-15' Tall Nice Gray-Brown Bark Full Sun to Partial Shade Messy Fruit Edible Low Water



Glaucous Cassia 10-15' Full Sun to Light Shade Low Water Winter Flower



Crepe Myrtle 15-25' Tall Deciduous Full Sun Low Water Summer Flowers



'East Palatka' Holly 30-35' Tall Full Sun to Light Shade Low Water Red Berries



'Nellie Stevens' Holly 20-30' Tall
Full Sun to Light Shade Low Water



Mahogany 30' and higher Full Sun
Low Water Native



Ligustrum 15-20' Tall Full Sun to
Light Shade Medium Water



Red Maple 70' Tall Deciduous
Full Sun Adaptable to wetlands and
dry environments. May have fall
color during a cold winter. Native



Live Oak 40-50' Tall Full Sun to Light
Shade Low Water Partially Deciduous



Silver Buttonwood 15-20' Tall Full Sun
Low Water Native



Southern Magnolia 50' and higher Full-
Sun or Light Shade Moderate Water
Native, there are smaller varieties

Late Spring, Early Summer——Warm Season Annuals



Coleus Plant March—September
Partial Shade Medium Salt Tolerance
Plant spacing: 1 to 2 feet



Crossandra Plant March—September
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 1 to 1 1/2'



Portulaca (Moss Ross)
Plant March—May
Full Sun High Salt Tolerance
Plant Spacing: 1 to 1 1/2'

Summer—Warm Season Annuals



Caladium Plant March—August
Medium Shade to Full Sun
Plant spacing: 1 to 1 1/2'



Purslane Plant May—November
Full Sun High Salt Tolerance
Plant spacing: 10-12"



Penta Plant March—September
Light Shade to Full Sun
Plant spacing: 1 to 1 1/2'
Medium Salt Tolerance



Salvia Plant February—November
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 8 to 12"
Medium Salt Tolerance

Summer—Warm Season Annuals



Torenia Plant April—September
Medium Shade to Full Sun
Plant spacing: 1 to 1 1/2'
Medium Salt Tolerance

Fall, Winter, Early Spring—Cool Season Annuals



Alyssum Plant October—February
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 6-12"



Dusty Miller Plant October—March
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 6 to 12" Salt Tolerant



Begonia Plant October—March
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 6 to 12"
Medium Salt Tolerance



Geranium Plant October—March
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 1 to 1 1/2'
High Salt Tolerance

Fall, Winter, Early Spring—Cool Season Annuals



Impatiens Plant October—February
Medium Shade to Full Sun
Plant spacing: 1 to 1 1/2'
Medium Salt Tolerance



Marigold Plant October—March
Full Sun
Plant spacing: 1 to 1 1/2'
Medium Salt Tolerance



Lobelia Plant October—February
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 6 to 12"



Pansy Plant November—December
Light Shade to Full Sun
Plant spacing: 6 to 12"
Medium Salt Tolerance

Fall, Winter, Early Spring—Cool Season Annuals



Petunia Plant November—February
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 6 to 12"
High Salt Tolerance



Snapdragon Plant November—February
Full Sun to Partial Shade
Plant spacing: 6 to 12"
Medium Salt Tolerance