

Waterwise Shrubs
Lubbock Master Gardeners

Common Name	Picture	Height	Width / Spread	Light	Evergreen / Deciduous	Seasonal Interest	Color/ Feature	EarthKind™ II	Maintenance	Botanical Name & Comments
Abelia, Glossy		4-6'	3-5'	Sun/part shade	E	Spring to frost	Pale pink fading to white	9	Selectively prune for a natural look. Shaping is not necessary	<i>Abelia grandiflora</i> Dwarf varieties are also available. Unpruned, it forms an upright crown.
Barberry, Japanese		4-6' Dwarf 2'	4-6'	Sun/shade	D	Spring to fall	Maroon foliage. Sparse red berries. Sparse yellow flower in spring.	6	Minimal pruning to maintain shape. Thorns can be a maintenance liability.	<i>Berberis thunbergii</i> Develops a rounded twiggy crown.
Bluebeard / Blue Mist Spirea		3-4'	3'	Sun	D	Mid summer to fall	Deep purple-blue blooms		Plants are rather open in habit unless periodically pruned;	<i>Caryopteris x clandonensis</i> Other common names are Bluebeard or Blue Spirea. Compact foliage
Boxwood, Littleleaf		4'	4'	Sun / partial sun	E	Spring	Not ornamental	5	Can be shaped as desired.	<i>Buxus microphylla</i> Boxwoods were the preferred plant for use in formal sheared hedges in years past. Larger varieties are also available.
Cotoneaster		3-5'	4-7'	Sun / partial sun	D, E, SE	Spring Summer	White to pink blooms. Red berries.	9	Occasional pruning to control size. Low maintenance.	<i>Cotoneaster spp.</i> Popular deciduous to evergreen shrubs used for a wide range of landscape purposes. Examples of varieties, Gray Cotoneaster and Cranberry Cotoneaster. Susceptible to fire blight and spider mites.

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Elaeagnus	 <small>Copyright © Michael Arnold</small>	8-15'	8-15'	Sun	E	Late fall	Silver white flowers	8	Long suckers require frequent pruning in a small space.	<i>Elaeagnus pungens</i> Valued for its two-tone dark green above and silver-white beneath foliage, extremely fragrant fall flowers,
Flame Acanthus	 <small>Copyright © Michael Arnold</small>	3-4'	3-4'	Sun / Partial Sun	D	Spring Summer Fall	Fiery red and orange flowers	10	For best appearance prune back to within 3" to 6" of the ground in late winter.	<i>Anisacanthus quadrifidus var. wrightii</i> Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies. Suitable for use in informal gardens, perennial borders, xeriscapes, and for naturalizing or in transition areas. Reseeds aggressively.
Hawthorne, Indian		4-6'	4-6'	Sun / part shade	E	Spring Fall	White or pink blooms. Blue berries in fall.		Pruning is not usually required.	<i>Raphiolepis indica</i> Dwarf species. Large dark green leaves and massive clusters of fragrant blooms in spring. Do not over-water.
Holly, Dwarf Burford		4-6'	3-4'	Sun / part shade	E	Spring; winter	White blooms; red berries		Shaping is not necessary. Prune for natural look.	<i>Ilex cornuta 'Burfordii'</i> Dark green glossy leaves. Often used as hedge. Non-dwarf varieties are also available.
Mock Orange	 <small>Copyright © Michael Arnold</small>	6-12'	6-8'	Sun Partial Sun	D	Spring	Four-petal white flowers with yellow stamens.	6	Prune non-flowering woody stems immediately after flowering	<i>Philadelphus coronarius</i> Fragrant white blooms in late spring

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Nandina		3-5' (dwarf)	Indefinite	Sun / partial sun	E	Spring Fall	White panicles in spring. Panicles of red berries in fall.	10	Low maintenance shrub. Prune once a year in winter to control it's height and keep it from looking leggy. Remove one-third of old canes all the way to the ground.	<i>Nandina domestica</i> Dwarf varieties are available. Spreading with dark green color in summer turning red-purple in winter. Its dark green leaves, resembling bamboo.
Quince, Japanese		2-3'	3-4'	Sun / partial sun	D	Spring	Red, pink, white blooms. Knobby apple-like or pear-like pome, edible	7	The dense twiggy mass of thorny branches can make pruning and removal of debris difficult.	<i>Chaenomeles japonica</i> Makes a small to medium size irregularly rounded spreading deciduous shrub. Valued most for its spectacular spring flowering effect.
Rosemary, Upright		2-5'	2-5'	Sun	E	Winter	Pale Blue	9	Cut back by one-half in winter to prevent leggy look. Prune for natural look or shape as desired.	<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i> ' <i>Tuscan Blue</i> ' Upright herb with small flowers. Use as a landscape shrub or in containers. Needs well drained soil. Heat and drought tolerant.
Sage, Texas		4-10'	4-6'	Sun	E	SE Spring Summer Fall	purple-pink, pink, or occasionally white, most profusely borne after summer rains	10	Benefits from occasional pruning to enhance canopy density.	<i>Leucophyllum frutescens</i> Texas Sage is perhaps the most widely planted of the native Trans Pecos plants in landscapes outside that region. Valued for its outstanding gray-green to silver-gray foliage and purple-pink flowers,
Senna, Canyon		9'	4'	Sun	D	Summer Fall	Yellow flowers		Numerous spreading thorny branches which will require some pruning to shape its somewhat rangy habit.	<i>Senna wislizenii</i> (<i>Cassia wislizenii</i>) Our only true native shrub. Late to bloom in spring.

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Turk's Cap		2-6'	3-5'	Sun / partial sun / shade	D	Late spring to fall	Red, twisted mallow-like flower, resembles a turk's turbin	10	Cut to the ground each year in the early spring before new growth commences; mid February is good.	<i>Malvastrum arboreum</i> K15 Attracts hummingbirds and large butterflies. Fruit for wildlife. Heat tolerant, drought resistant. <i>Mexicanus</i> variety is known as Giant Turk's Cap. <i>Drummondii</i> is other variety, smaller.
Yucca, Red		1-2'	2-3'	Sun / part shade	E	Spring to summer	Red pink spike flowers. Flowers spike can be up 3-5' tall.	10	Remove old bloom stalk at the base	<i>Hesperaloe parviflora</i> Red Yucca works well in xeriscapes. Attracts hummingbirds.