

DROUGHT TOLERANT SHRUBS

<i>Plant</i>	Common Name	Ht/Width	Bloom	Sun/ Shade	Hardiness Zone	Comments
<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>	Serviceberry	10-12' x 20'	White/ spring	Sun/ pt. sh	4+	Blue edible berries in summer, Native
<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Leadplant	1-3' x 2-3	Blue/ summer	Sun	3+	Spikes of blue-purple blossoms; silvery-gray foliage; good pollinator plant; prairie native
<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i>	Kinnikinnick	3-6" x 2-3'	White/pink	Sun/ pt. sh	2+	Glossy evergreen foliage. Good groundcover on sandy and rocky soils
<i>Artemisia tridentata</i>	Big Sage	4' x 3'		Sun	4+	Aromatic; gnarled branches at maturity; good wildlife plant
<i>Atriplex canescens</i>	Four-wing Saltbush	1-6' x 4-8'	4-winged bract	Sun	2+	Extremely tolerant of all conditions; good browse plant
<i>Berberis haematocarpa</i>	Red Barberry	3-6'	Yellow/ Spring	Sun/ pt sh	4+	Holly like leaves. Sometimes called Mahonia haematocarpa
<i>Caragana arborescens</i>	Siberian Pea Shrub	8-20' x 12-15'	Yellow	Sun	2+	Bright yellow pea-like bloom, 2" seedpods; Good screen/windbreak
<i>Caragana frutex</i>	Russian Pea Shrub	6' x 5'	Yellow	Sun	2+	Compact rounded shrub for low hedges
<i>Caryopteris x clandonensis</i>	Blue Mist Spirea	3-4' x 3-4'	Blue/ late sum	Sun	5+	Prune in Spring, blooms on new growth. Attracts bees

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<i>Krascheninnikovia lanata</i>	Winterfat	1-3' x 1-3'	White, wooly	Sun	3+	Leaves & stems covered with white hairs; good wildlife forage
<i>Cercocarpus ledifolius</i>	Curl Leaf Mountain Mahogany	6-15' x 6'	Feathery/ plumed	Sun	4+	Can be pruned into multi stemmed small tree; evergreen
<i>Chamaebatiaria millefolium</i>	Fernbush	6-8' x 6-8'	White/ summer	Sun	4+	Fragrant; fern-like leaves; showy flowers attract bees
<i>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</i>	Rabbitbrush	4-6' x 6'	Deep yellow, fall	Sun	4+	Large yellow flower heads; food source for bees
<i>Cotinus coggyria</i>	Smoke tree	10-15'x 10-15'	Pink/beige	Sun	4+	Multi-stemmed shrub/tree w/ pink feathery plumes
<i>Cotoneaster acutifolius</i>	Peking cotoneaster	8'x 6'	White	Sun/pt sh	4+	Upright form-good for hedge; attractive fall color
<i>Cotoneaster adpressus</i>	Creeping Cotoneaster	1-1.5' x 4'	Pinkish	Sun/ pt sh	5+	Red berries in fall; groundcover shrub
<i>Cotoneaster divaricatus</i>	Spreading cotoneaster	3-5' x 6-8'	Wht to pink/sp	Sun/ pt sh	5+	Red berries in fall; low maintenance
<i>Cotoneaster horizontalis</i>	Rockspray Cotoneaster	1-3'x 6'	Pinkish	Sun/ pt sh	5+	Red berries and colorful fall foliage. Rock garden plant
<i>Ephedra viridis</i>	Mormon Tea	4'	Yellow/ spring	Sun	5+	Evergreen stems and insignificant scaly leaves; grows on sandy, rocky soils
<i>Fallugia paradoxa</i>	Apache Plume	4' x 4'	White/late spring	Sun	4+	Pink, silky plumed seed heads cover plant for many months
<i>Forestiera neomexicana</i>	New Mexico Privet Desert Olive	6-12' x 12'	Yellow/ white; Black berries	Sun/ pt sh	4+	Only females produce. Beautiful white bark, yellow fall color; low maintenance; native to the Southwest
<i>Hippophae rhamnoides</i>	Sea Buckthorn	8-18' x 8-12'	Yellow	Sun	3+	Berries, dry to moist soils; historically a medicinal plant

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<i>Holodiscus discolor</i>	Ocean Spray	8-12' x 5'	Creamy plumes	Sun/pt sh	3+	A good native for screening, borders
<i>Juniperus horizontalis</i>	Creeping Juniper	6-18" x 5-8'		Sun/pt sh	3+	Evergreen. Moist to dry soil; good groundcover; many cultivars available
<i>Mahonia repens</i>	Creeping Oregon Grape	1'x3'	Yellow	Sun/pt sh	2+	Dark, glossy evergreen groundcover
<i>Microbiota decussata</i>	Siberian Cypress	1 ½' x 15'		Sun or shade	3+	Bronze color in fall/winter; groundcover similar to Juniper
<i>Myrica pennsylvanica</i>	Northern Bayberry	3-10'	Catkins	Sun/pt sh	3+	Aromatic, gray, waxy berries
<i>Philadelphus lewisii</i>	Littleleaf Mockorange	6-8' x 6-8'	White/summer	Sun/pt sh	4+	Idaho state flower; fragrant, white blooms
<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i>	Common Ninebark	5-10'	White/spring	Sun/pt sh	3+	Attractive peeling bark, fragrant white blooms, many cultivars with different sizes and leaf colors
<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	Shrubby Cinquefoil	1-4' x 2-4'	Yellow/summer	Sun/pt sh	2+	Newer varieties in other colors, flowers best in full sun
<i>Prunus besseyi</i>	Sand Cherry	4-6' x 4-6'	White/spring	Sun	4+	Red fall color; black berries; attractive to birds
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i> <i>'Fine Line'</i>	Fine Line Buckthorn	7' x 3'	Green	Sun	3+	Columnar; fine foliage adds texture; non-invasive cultivar
<i>Rhus aromatica</i> <i>"Gro-Low"</i>	Fragrant Sumac	3' x 8'	Yellow/spring	Sun/pt sh	4+	Beautiful fall color; very tough ground cover
<i>Rhus glabra</i>	Smooth Sumac	9-15'x 9-15'	Green	Sun/pt sh	2+	Nice fall color; fast growing native; spreads to form thickets
<i>Rhus trilobata</i>	Three-leaf Sumac	5-6' x 6'	Yellow	Sun/pt sh	4+	Tart edible red berries; rich fall colors. Adaptable

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<i>Rhus typhina</i>	Staghorn Sumac	15-20'x 15-20'	Green/ yellow	Sun/ pt sh	4+	Forms thickets; adaptable; showy fall color and fruit
<i>Ribes aureum</i>	Golden Currant	4-6' x 4-6'	Yellow/ spring	Sun/ pt sh	2+	Moderately drought tolerant; may sucker; edible berries
<i>Rosa rugosa</i>	Rugosa Rose	4-6'x 10-20'	Red/pink or white summer	Sun/ pt sh	3+	Stems densely thorny; suckers; needs lots of room; repeat bloomer
<i>Rosa woodsia</i>	Wood's Rose	2-5'x 2-5'	Rose-pink/ summer	Sun/ pt sh	3+	Forms dense thickets; good for wildlife; tough native rose
<i>Rubus parviflorus</i>	Thimbleberry	4-6' x 5-8'	White/ spring	Sun/ pt sh	4+	Showy flowers; forms thickets; good for wildlife; native
<i>Shepherdia argentea</i>	Silver Buffaloberry	6-20' x 6-20'	Yellow-brown	Sun/ pt sh	2+	Silvery foliage; red, edible berries in fall; male & female flowers on separate plants; thorny; suckers; privacy screen
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	Common Snowberry	3-4' x 3-6'	Wh-pk/spring	Sun/ pt sh	3+	White or pink bell-shaped flowers, followed by white berries. Very adaptable. Native
<i>Syringa vulgaris</i>	Common Lilac	8-20' x 6-15'	Lavender/ spring	Sun	3+	Prone to powdery mildew, some insects and disease
<i>Viburnum lentana</i>	Wayfaring Tree	10-15'x 10-15'	White /spring	Sun/ pt sh	4+	Good for wildlife; low maintenance
<i>Viburnum lentago</i>	Nannyberry Viburnum	15'x10'	White/spring	Sun/shade	2+	Good background, screening plant
<i>Yucca species</i>	Yucca	1-7' x 1-4'	White/ cream	Sun	4-5+	Good for hot, dry sunny areas where it's hard to establish vegetation