

UC Landscape Plant Irrigation Trials™

Staff Picks

Plants are listed alphabetically by scientific name

Plant material was evaluated in full sun or under 50% shade cloth

All plants were evaluated in Davis CA (WUOLS Region 2)

Mean O/A Score represents the mean Overall Appearance ratings over the deficit season at the recommended irrigation category (1-5 scale, 5: highest)

Irrigation recommendations are listed by WUCOLS Category- H: High; M: Moderate/Medium; L: Low

Scientific Name	Common Name	Exposure	Mean O/A Score	WUCOLS Category	Trial Year
<i>Bouteloua gracilis</i> 'Blonde Ambition'	Blonde Ambition blue gramma grass	Sun	4.2	L	2016
<i>Bulbine</i> 'Tiny Tangerine'	Tiny Tangerine bulbine	Sun	4.6	L	2011
<i>Calamagrostis × acutiflora</i> 'Karl Foerster'	Karl Foerster feather reed grass	Sun	4.2	L	2013
<i>Ceanothus × pallidus</i> 'Marie Simon'	Marie Simon ceanothus	Sun	4.4	L	2009
<i>Dianthus</i> 'KLEDG10119'	EverLast™ Orchid dianthus	Sun	3.6	M	2014
<i>Dietes bicolor</i> 'African Gold'	Pure Gold® dietes	Sun	4.1	L	2018
<i>Geranium × cantabrigiense</i> 'Biokovo'	Biokovo cranesbill	50% Shade	3.3	L	2017
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Red Lady'	Red Lady Lenten rose	50% Shade	3.3	M	2011
<i>Heuchera maxima</i>	Island alum root	50% Shade	4	L	2011
<i>Iris</i> 'Canyon Snow'	Canyon Snow Pacific hybrid iris	Sun	3.9	M	2009
<i>Kniphofia</i> 'Christmas Cheer'	Christmas Cheer red hot poker	Sun	3.3	M	2013
<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> 'Deleb'	Delta Eclipse™ crepemyrtle	Sun	4.1	L	2018
<i>Ligustrum sinense</i> 'Sunshine'	Sunshine privet	50% Shade	4.8	L	2011
<i>Lomandra longifolia</i> 'Lomlon'	Lime Tuff dwarf mat rush	Sun	4.2	L	2014
<i>Lygeum spartum</i>	False esparto grass	Sun	4.5	L	2017
<i>Mahonia eurybracteata</i> 'Soft Caress'	Soft Caress Chinese mahonia	50% Shade	3.9	M	2016
<i>Neomarica caerulea</i>	Walking iris	50% Shade	3.9	L	2013
<i>Rosa</i> 'Korbin''	Iceberg rose	Sun	4.2	M	2011
<i>Rosa</i> 'KORSixkono'	Kardinal Kolorscape® rose	Sun	4.1	L	2015
<i>Rosa</i> 'Meijocos'	Pink Drift® rose	Sun	3.9	L	2016
<i>Salvia microphylla</i> 'Hot Lips'	Hot Lips sage	Sun	4	M	2013