

GARDENING IN DROUGHT

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Drought		
U.S. Drought Monitor	https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/	National Drought Mitigation Center (NDMC) at University of Nebraska-Lincoln, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), & U.S. Dept of Agriculture
To access graphs of historical drought info: Pull down "Data and Maps" --> Historical Information. Below the map, select California, then Nevada County. Above graph, as time period, enter 2000 and 2022. For details and map of data, move blue dot along graph.	https://www.drought.gov	National Integrated Drought Information System (NOAA) U.S. government
California Drought: Conditions and Impacts	https://www.californiadrought.org/	Pacific Institute (non-profit focused on freshwater)
Nevada Irrigation District (NID) Drought Info, including water reduction guidelines and requirements.	https://www.nidwater.com/drought-information-4236650	NID
CA Water Conservation Tips	https://water.ca.gov/Water-Basics/Climate-Change-Basics	CA Dept of Water Resources
Water-Wise Landscape & Landscape Care		
PDF on water-wise landscaping for the Sierra foothills	http://ncmg.ucanr.org/files/140129.pdf	UCMG Nevada/Placer Counties
***Guidance in selection and care of landscape plants relative to their water needs	http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS/	UC Ag & Natural Resources (UCANR)
How to care for your new landscape	http://lawntogarden.org/sites/default/files/maint_guide%20%281%29.pdf	StopWaste
California Watershed Approach to Landscape Design	https://calwep.org/resource/watershed-approach/	CA Water Efficiency Partnership
Save Our Water. Landscape advice, including on watering trees.	https://saveourwater.com/	Partnership of Association of California Water Agencies and the California Department of Water Resources
10 Tips for Vegetable Gardening During a Drought	https://www.ncrcd.org/knowledge-base/10-tips-for-vegetable-gardening-during-a-drought/	Nevada County Resource Conservation District
Finding Drought-Adapted Plants		
***Identification and search for native plants by location and by name. Gives water-use/sun/shade info and more on natives.	http://calscape.org/	California Native Plant Society
Non-profit database to search by location for CA native plants, pics, info; good search tool	http://www.calflora.org/	CalFlora

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Native plant nursery with good search tool for native plants w/pics, other info	www.laspilitas.com	Nursery on Southern Central Coast that provides great deal of information on natives.
***Arboretum All-Stars; search for tested, tough, reliable plants that are easy to grow; good pictures	http://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/plant_search.aspx	UC Davis
PlantFinder - good for ornamentals; find plants that match light & water needs, flowering season, and landscape uses	https://www.monrovia.com	Monrovia Nursery
Low-water plants - for lawn-to-landscape, for pollinators, for color, etc. For Contra Costa county, so do consider what that plant would need here.	https://www.contracosta.watersavingplants.com/	Contra Costa Water District
Lawn Conversion Process/Ideas		
Lawn Removal Methods (step by step, detailed)	http://sacmg.ucanr.edu/Beyond_Lawn/	Sacramento Co Master Gardeners
Design-It-Yourself Native Garden (step-by-step slides on design process)	http://www.cnps-scv.org/index.php/education/presentations/319-design-it-yourself-native-garden	Deva Luna in CA Native Plant Society, Santa Clara Chapter
Good article on native alternatives to grass, design ideas	https://www.cnps.org/gardening/alternatives-to-lawns-5323	California Native Plant Society (CNPS)
Mulch		
Using Arborist Wood Chips as a Landscape Mulch	https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/using-arborist-wood-chips-as-a-landscape-mulch-home-garden-series	Washington State University extension
Dr. Linda Chalker-Scott, one of "The Garden Professors." Her main focus is science-based information on mulch, including sheet mulching. Also check out posts by other authors. For Search on site for "Mulch."	https://gardenprofessors.com	Group of professors in scientific fields at various universities
"Why Mulch Matters"	https://joegardener.com/podcast/110-why-mulch-matters/	
The Combustibility of Landscape Materials	https://firesafemarin.org/wp-content/uploads/Mulch-Study.pdf	Quarles, S. and E. Smith. 2011. SP-11-04, University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, Reno, NV
"Carbon dioxide and oxygen exchange at the soil-atmosphere boundary as affected by various mulch materials"	https://www.researchgate.net/publication/335224039_Carb_on_dioxide_and_oxygen_exchange_at_the_soil-atmosphere_boundary_as_affected_by_various_mulch_materials	Soil and Tillage Research. Aug 2019.
Rainwater Harvesting		

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"Rainwater Harvesting and Rainscaping Strategies for Healthy Watersheds" Recorded presentation by Nancy & Ames Gilbert	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z5XYDGspPMw	Redbud Chapter, CA Native Plant Society