



# DROUGHT TOLERANT & SEACOAST PLANTS



**Drought tolerant plants** are plants that do not require a lot of water once they are established. If you are pounded by the sun all day long or are looking for a way to conserve water, there are many different plants that will work and keep your garden looking beautiful. Keep in mind most drought tolerant plants do not require a rich soil.

**Seacoast gardening** can be more challenging for plants. Winds are often stronger and carry salt spray that can be deposited on plants. Soil is often poor and light making it lacking in nutrients and too free draining in summer.

As much as seaside planting can be difficult there are also benefits. Moderated temperatures of 2-3°C frost protection are common in winter and sunlight reflecting off the water makes it brighter than normal. Please see below for a list of seaside and drought tolerant plants.

## DROUGHT TOLERANT TREES & SHRUBS

Albizia	Cistus	Fremontodendron	Pyracantha
Arbutus unedo	Cotinus	Genista	Ribes
Berberis darwini	Cotoneaster	Mahonia aquifolium	Robinia
Berberis julianae	Cytissus	Oak (red)	Rosa rugosa
Buddleia	Elaeagnus	Pinus mugo	Rosmarinus officinalis
Ceanothus	Escallonia	Pinus strobus	Taxus
Cedrus deodora	Eucalyptus	Pinus sylvestris	Yucca
Choisya ternata	Fig (edible)	Potentilla	

## DROUGHT TOLERANT PERENNIALS

Achillea	Centaurea	Ivy	Sedums
Anemone japonica	Coreopsis	Kniphofia	Sempervirens
Arabis	Euphorbia	Lavendula	Sisyrinchium
Agapanthus	Euryops	Liatris	Stachys
Artemisia	Gaillardia	Oenothera	Thyme
Calluna	Helianthemum	Pennisetum	
Catmint	Hypericum	Santolina	

## DROUGHT TOLERANT GRASSES

Calamagrostis (feather reed)	Elymus magellanicus (blue wheat grass)	Leymus arenarius sp (lyme grass)	Pennisetum (most varieies)
Carex comans Frosty Curls	Festuca spp.	Liriope (lily turf)	Schizachyrium (little blue stem)
Carex oshimensis Evergold	Helictotrichon (blue oat grass)	Miscanthus sp	Stipa sp.
Chasmanthium Latifolium (northern sea oats)	Imperata 'red baron' (japanese blood grass)	Ophiopogon sp (mondo grass)	
Cortaderia sp (pampas grass)		Panicum sp	

## DROUGHT TOLERANT ANNUALS

Allysum	Cosmos	Ice plant	Portulaca
Begonia fibrous	Dahlia	Nasturtium	Tagetes
Calendula	Gazania	Petunia	Verbena
Celosia	Geranium	Phlox	

## HILLSIDE AND EROSION CONTROL

Ceanothus (Pt. Reyes)  
Cotoneaster dammerii  
Erica  
Gaultheria shallon

Genista (vancouver gold)  
Hedera  
Hypericum  
Junipers

Kinnikinnick  
Lathyrus latifolia  
Lonicera japonica  
Rosemary

Sedums  
TAXUS bac repens  
Virgina creeper

## DROUGHT TOLERANT PLANTER SUGGESTIONS

Achillea  
Alyssum  
Bacopa  
Buxus  
Cotoneaster  
Genista

Geranium  
Hebe  
Ice plant  
Ivy  
Lavender  
Nasturtium

Nemesia  
Petunia  
Potentilla  
Sedum spectabile  
Sempervirens  
Taxus

Verbena  
Vinca  
Yucca

## TREES & SHRUBS FOR SEACOAST PLANTING

Albizia  
Arbutus unedo  
Bamboo (many)  
Buddleia  
Ceanothus  
Choisya  
Cordyline indivisa  
Cortaderia  
Cotoneaster  
Cytisus (broom)

Elaeagnus  
Escallonia  
Euonymus alata  
Euonymus fortunei  
Euonymus shallon  
Fushia (hardy)  
Genista  
Heather  
Hebe  
Hibiscus Syriacus

Hydrangea  
Ilex aquifolium  
Junipers (most)  
Laburnum  
Lilac  
Liquidamber  
Mahonia  
Mountain ash  
Photinia  
Pinus (mugo & nigra)

Potentilla  
Pyracantha  
Rosa Rugosa  
Rosmarinus officinalis  
Skimmia (shade)  
Spirea  
Vaccinium ovatum  
Viburnum tinus  
Yucca

## GRASSES FOR SEACOAST PLANTING

Cortaderia sp  
(pampas grass)  
Festuca spp.  
Leymus arenarius sp  
(lyme grass)  
Liriope (lily turf)  
Panicum sp

## VINES FOR SEACOAST PLANTING

Lonicera j Hallianna  
Polygonum aubertii

Schisandra  
Wisteria

## NOTES

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