



Fire-resistant Landscape Plants for the Puget Sound Basin

The path to the future is through the forest

Selecting native plants suited to the characteristics of your site will help ensure you have the most vibrant healthy landscape possible. Native plants require little or no watering and can be less susceptible to stress.



Rhododendron macrophyllum

Characteristics of Fire-resistant Plants

- Little seasonal accumulation of dead vegetation
- Open, loose branching habit
- Non-resinous if woody

Retention of resinous trees such as cedar, spruce, fir and pine can increase the intensity and rate of spread of wildfire. Special care in placement, spacing and pruning are needed if they are planted within 30 feet of the home.

TREES

- Acer* spp.
- Alnus* spp.
- Betula* spp.
- Cornus* spp.
- Fraxinus latifolia*
- Malus* spp.
- Populus* spp.
- Prunus* spp.
- Quercus* spp.
- Salix* spp.

common name

- Maple
- Alder
- Birch
- Flowering dogwood
- Oregon ash
- Crab-apple
- Cottonwood, aspen
- Cherry
- Oak
- Willow



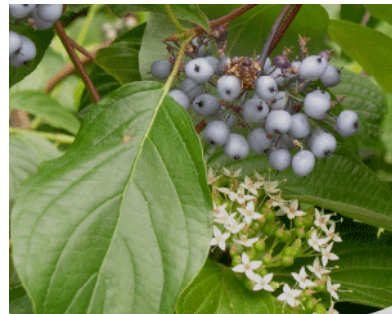
Prunus emarginata/bitter cherry

SHRUBS

- Acer circinatum*
- Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*
- Amelanchier* spp.
- Berberis* spp.
- Cladanthus pyroliflorus*
- Ceanothus* spp.
- Cornus stolonifera*

common name

- Vine maple
- Kinnikinnick
- Serviceberry
- Oregon Grape
- Copperbrush
- Snowbrush or redstem
- Red osier dogwood



Red osier dogwood

- Crataegus douglasii*
- Gaultheria shallon*
- Gaultheria ovatifolia*
- Holodiscus discolor*
- Linnaea borealis*
- Lonicera ciliosa*
- Lonicera involucrata*
- Mahonia* spp.
- Menziesia ferruginea*
- Oemleria cerasiformis*
- Oplopanax horridus*
- Pachistima myrsintea*
- Philadelphus* spp.
- Physocarpus capitatus*
- Rhamnus purshiana*
- Rhododendron* spp.
- Ribes* spp.
- Rosa* spp.
- Rubus* spp.

- Black hawthorn
- Salal
- Oregon wintergreen
- Oceanspray
- Twinflower
- Orange honeysuckle
- Black twinberry
- Oregon Grape
- False azalea
- Indian-plum
- Devil's club
- Mountain boxwood
- Mock orange
- Pacific ninebark
- Cascara
- Azaleas, rhododendrons
- Currant
- Nootka or baldhip rose
- Raspberry, blackberry, salmonberry
- Red elderberry
- Soapberry, buffaloberry
- Sitka mountain-ash
- Snowberry
- Huckleberry, blueberry
- Highbush-cranberry
- American bush cranberry

- Sambucus racemosa*
- Shepherdia canadensis*
- Sorbus sitchensis*
- Symphoricarpos albus*
- Vaccinium* spp.
- Viburnum edule*
- Viburnum trilobum*



King County

PERENNIALS

	common name
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Yarrow
<i>Allium</i> spp.	Chives, onion
<i>Brodiaea</i> spp.	Lilies
<i>Camassia quamash</i>	Common camas
<i>Clintonia uniflora</i>	Queen's cup
<i>Coreopsis</i> spp.	Coreopsis
<i>Erysimum</i> spp.	Wall flower
<i>Erythronium</i> spp.	Lilies
<i>Eschscholzia</i> spp.	California poppy
<i>Fragaria</i> spp.	Wild strawberries
<i>Fritillaria</i> spp.	Lilies
<i>Geranium</i> spp.	Geranium
<i>Heuchera</i> spp.	Alumroot, coral bells
<i>Hosta</i> spp.	Hosta
<i>Iris</i> spp.	Iris
<i>Kniphofia uvaria</i>	Red hot poker
<i>Lupinus</i> spp.	Lupine
<i>Maianthemum dilatatum</i>	False lily-of-the-valley
<i>Oenothera</i> spp.	Evening primrose
Orchidaceae	Native genera
<i>Penstemon</i> spp.	Beard tongue
<i>Saxifraga</i> spp.	Various native saxifraga
<i>Sisyrinchium</i> spp.	Various eyed-grasses
<i>Smilacina</i> spp.	Solomon's-seal
<i>Solidago</i> spp.	Goldenrod
<i>Streptopus</i> spp.	Twistedstalk
<i>Strachys byzantina</i>	Lamb's ear
<i>Trillium ovatum</i>	Trillium
<i>Veratrum viride</i>	Indian hellebore

*Trillium ovatum**Adiantum pedatum*/maidenhair fern**GROUNDCOVERS****Succulents:***Echeveria* spp.*Sedum* spp.**Non-succulents:***Achillea tomentosa**Ajuga reptans**Arctostaphylos uva-ursi**Armeria maritima**Cerastium tomentosa**Cotoneaster dammeri**Euonymus fortunei**Potentilla* spp.*Senecio cineraria**Thymus praecox arcticus**Verbenia bipinnatifida***common name**

Hens & chicks

Stone crops

Wolly yarrow

Carpet bugle

Kinnikinnick

Sea pink; thrift

Snow in summer

Bearberry cotoneaster

Winter creeper

Cinquefoil

Dusty miller

Mother of thyme

Verbenia

Resources:

Washington Native Plant Society, 6310 NE 74th Street, Suite 215E, Seattle, WA 98115,

<http://www.wnps.org/>

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