

DROUGHT TOLERANT LANDSCAPING GUIDELINES

THINKING ABOUT REMOVING YOUR LAWN? USE THIS GUIDE TO CREATE A DROUGHT-TOLERANT LANDSCAPE THAT ENHANCES THE BEAUTY OF YOUR HOME.

LOOK BEYOND GRASS

- Maximum 20% front/rear yard live turf
- Maximum 43% front yard artificial turf
- Keep narrow side yards turf-free
- Consider turf alternatives: Festuca californica, Festuca rubra, Carex pansa



GO NATIVE

- Ideal for San Gabriel Valley's Mediterranean climate
- Use cactus and succulents sparingly; keep away from sidewalks



COVER BARE GROUND

- Use mulch and stone-type materials to cover bare ground
- Use between plants; not as alternative to plants
- 3-inch layer of mulch retains water; keep weeds out
- Space plants based on mature size



SAFETY FIRST

- No pebbles/rocks near sidewalks or public areas
- Could be picked up and thrown
- Potential slipping hazard

STRATEGIC HARDSCAPING

- Maximum 20% front yard stone
- Maximum 45% front yard hardscaping

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RESOURCES

Below are additional resources for creating a landscape palette and plan that meets the guidelines on the previous page:

Los Angeles County Library
colapublib.org

The Theodore Payne Foundation
theodorepayne.org

The California Native Plant Society
cnps.org

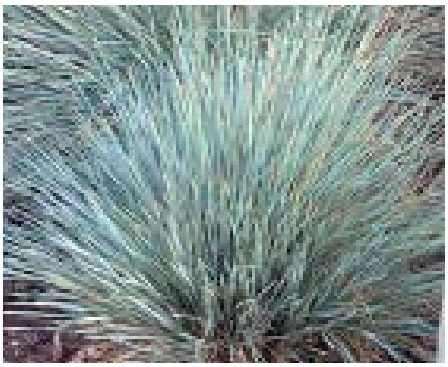
Guide to Selecting a Landscape Architect
latc.ca.gov

LA County Drought Tolerant Handbook
planning.lacounty.gov











Permits are not required for landscaping, but are required for hardscaping.
Plan to landscape your parkway? See the Parkway Landscaping Guide
For info on Artificial turf see the Artificial Turf Guide

Applicable Municipal Code Sections:
4-2C-2 Prohibited Public Nuisance Conditions
9-1G-12: H Landscape and Hardscape Requirements

Have additional questions?
Call the Community Development Department at (626) 656-7316