A GUIDE TO NATIVE PLANTS

Everything you need to know about starting a native garden in Colorado's Front Range! From saving water to attracting pollinators, or even increasing curb appeal all year around, this is your guide.

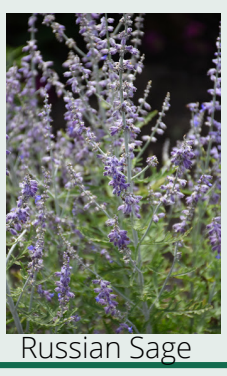
DROUGHT TOLERANT

NATIVE SPECIES USE LESS WATER!

One of the main motivators to add native plants is their resistance to drought. Good species to look for include:

- Potentilla
- Russian Sage
- Sand Cherry

Potentilla



Russian Sage

POLLINATORS

Native species attract and support much needed pollinators and wildlife! Almost all varieties of native plants do this, but these ones are great options:

- Bearberry
- Colorado Blue Columbine
- Woods Rose
- Giant Goldenrod

Bearberry Shrub

Woods Rose

76%

OF FORT COLLINS RESIDENTS INTEND TO PLANT NATIVE PLANTS NEXT YEAR*

DURABILITY

Native plants are low maintenance and require little work to get started, making them a great option for people just starting to test our their green thumbs!

- Serviceberry
- Mountain Snowberry
- Leadplant
- Waxflower

Leadplant

DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START?

Head to your local nursery to find the plants listed above

- Bath Garden Center and Nursery (Fort Collins, CO)
- Beauty Beyond Belief (Fort Collins, CO)
- Fort Collins Nursery (Fort Collins, CO)
- Gardens on Spring Creek (Fort Collins, CO)
- Jax Farm and Ranch (Fort Collins, CO)
- High Plains Environmental Center (Loveland, CO)
- Earth Love Gardens (Boulder, CO)
- Harlequin Gardens (Boulder, CO)
- Arkansas Valley Seed Company (Denver, CO)
- Pawnee Buttes Seed Inc. (Greeley, CO)
- Sharp Brothers Seed Company (Greeley, CO)
- Chelsea Nursery (Grand Junction, CO)
- ALPLAINS (Kiowa, CO)
- Eagle Crest Nursery (El Jebel, CO)
- Western Native Seed (Coaldale, CO)

SHARE WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

By planting beautiful, native plants like these neighbors will soon be asking you how they can beautify their gardens too! Visit websites like CSU's native shrub fact sheet to learn more

https://rockies.audubon.org/habitat-hero/resources/native-plant-retailers
https://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/native-shrubs-for-colorado-landscapes-7-422/
*Data obtained from a random sampling of Fort Collins residents