

City of Desert Hot Springs LANDSCAPE PLANT PALETTE							
THEME: Arid Design							
<i>Botanical</i>	<i>Common</i>	<i>Water Use (WUCOLS)</i>	<i>Mature Height (Feet)</i>	<i>Mature Width (Feet)</i>	<i>Sun</i>	<i>Flower Color</i>	<i>Flower Season</i>
TREES							
Olneya tesota	Ironwood	L	15'-30'	15'-30'	F	Purple	Spring
Parkinsonia praecox	Sonoran palo verde	L	20	20	F	Yellow	Spring
Prosopis glandulosa glandulosa	Honey mesquite	L	30'-50'	30'-50'	F	Inconspicuous	
PALMS							
Brahea armata	Mexican blue palm	L	20'-40'	12'-25'	F	Inconspicuous	
SHRUBS, SPECIMEN							
Euphorbia tirucalli	Red pencil tree	L	4'-8'	3'-5'	F	Red stems	All year
Fouquieria splendens	Ocotillo	L	5'-10'	8'-25'	F	Orange	Variable
Justicia spicigera	Desert honeysuckle	L	3'	4'	F,PS	Orange	All year
SHRUBS, LARGE							
Leucophyllum frutescens	Texas sage	L	8'	8'	F,PS	Rose-Purple	Spring-Fall
Salvia clevelandii & hybrids	Cleveland sage	L	5'	8'	F	Purple	Spring
Senna nemophila	Desert cassia	L	6'	6'	F	Yellow	Spring
Sphaeralcea ambigua	Desert mallow	L	4'	3'	F	Orange	Spring
GROUNDCOVERS & SMALL SHRUBS							
Chrysactinia mexicana	Damianita	L	2'	2'	F	Yellow	Spring, Fall
Encelia farinosa	Brittlebush	L	3'	4'	F	Yellow	Spring
Ruellia brittoniana 'Katie'	Dwarf ruellia	L	1'	1'	F,PS	Blue	Spring, Fall
VINES							
Macfadyena unguis-cati	Cat's claw vine	L	25'-40'		F	Yellow	Spring
ACCENT PLANTS							
Agave weberi	Weber agave	L	6'	6'	F	Inconspicuous	
Echinocactus grusonii	Golden barrel cactus	L	3'	2'	F	Inconspicuous	
Euphorbia antisyphilitica	Candelilla	L	1'-2'	2'-3'	F	White	Spring-Sum
Hesperaloe parviflora	Red/Yellow yucca	L	3'-4'	3'-4'	F,PS	Red/Yellow	Spring-Sum
PERENNIALS							
Baileya multiradiata	Desert marigold	L	1 ½ '	1 ½ '	F	Yellow	Spring-Fall
Euphorbia rigida	Gopher plant	L	2'	3'-5'	F	Yellow	Spring
Penstemon eatonii	Firecracker penstemon	L	1'-3'	1'-3'	F,PS	Red	Spring-Sum

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TREES							
Chilopsis linearis	Desert willow	M	15'-30'	10'-20'	F,PS	Pale Pink-Red	Spring-Sum
Melaleuca quinquenervia	Cajeput tree	M	20'-40'	15'-25'	F,PS	Inconspicuous	
Parkinsonia praecox	Sonoran palo verde	L	20	20	F	Yellow	Spring
PALMS							
Chamaerops humilis	Mediterranean fan palm	M	20'	20'	F,PS	Inconspicuous	
SHRUBS, SPECIMEN							
Bougainvillea spp	Bougainvillea	M	3'-6'	3'-6'	F	Various	All year
Caesalpinia pulcherrima	Red bird of paradise	M	10'	10'	F,PS	Orange-red	Summer-Fall
Fouquieria splendens	Ocotillo	L	5'-10'	8'-25'	F	Orange	Variable
SHRUBS, LARGE							
Chamelaucium 'Sweet Sixteen'	Sweet Sixteen wax flower	M	6'-8'	6'-8'	F	Pink	Spring
Leucophyllum frutescens	Texas sage	L	8'	8'	F,PS	Rose-Purple	Spring-Fall
Salvia clevelandii & hybrids	Cleveland sage	L	5'	8'	F	Purple	Spring
Senna nemophila	Desert cassia	L	6'	6'	F	Yellow	Spring
SHRUBS, SMALL/GROUNDCOVER							
Chrysactinia Mexicana	Damianita	L	2'	2'	F	Yellow	Spring, Fall
Lantana montevidensis	Trailing lantana	M	2'	6'	F,PS	Lavender,gold	Spring-Fall
Ruellia brittoniana 'Katie'	Dwarf ruellia	L	1'	1'	F,PS	Blue	Spring, Fall
ACCENT PLANTS							
Dasyliirion wheeleri	Desert spoon	L	3'-5'	4'-5'	F	Inconspicuous	
Echinocactus grusonii	Golden barrel cactus	L	3'	2'	F	Inconspicuous	
Hesperaloe parviflora	Red/Yellow yucca	L	3'-4'	3'-4'	F,PS	Red/Yellow	Spring-Sum
Muhlenbergia rigens	Deergrass	M	4'	4'	F	Cream	Summer
VINES							
Trachelospermum jasminoides	Star jasmine	M	20'-30'	-	F,PS	White	Spring
PERENNIALS							
Baileya multiradiata	Desert marigold	L	1 ½ '	1 ½ '	F	Yellow	Spring-Fall
Euphorbia rigida	Gopher plant	L	2'	3'-5'	F	Yellow	Spring

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TREES							
Olneya tesota	Ironwood	L	15'-30'	15'-30'	F	Rosy lavender	Spring
Parkinsonia praecox	Sonoran palo verde	L	20	20	F	Yellow	Spring
Pithecellobium pallens	Tenaza	L	10'-30'	8'-12'	F,PS	White	Late spring
PALMS							
Brahea edulis	Guadalupe palm	L	30'	15'	F,PS	Inconspicuous	
SHRUBS, SPECIMEN							
Caesalpinia pulcherrima	Red bird of paradise	M	10'	10'	F,PS	Orange-red	Summer-Fall
Cordia boissieri	Texas olive	L	12'	8'-10'	F,PS	White	Spring-Fall
Fouquieria splendens	Ocotillo	L	5'-10'	8'-25'	F	Orange	Variable
SHRUBS, LARGE							
Larrea tridentata	Creosote bush	L	8'	8'	F,PS	Yellow	Spring, varies
Leucophyllum laevigatum	Chihuahuan rain sage	L	4'	5'	F	Lavender	Summer
Leucophyllum frutescens	Texas ranger	L	8'	8'	F	Rosy purple	Summer, varies
Senna artemisioides	Feathery cassia	L	6'	6'	F,PS	Yellow	Winter-Spring
GROUNDCOVERS & SMALL SHRUBS							
Dalea greggii	Trailing indigo bush	L	1.5'	6'	F,PS	Lavender	Spring-Summer
Gazania rigens hybrids	Clumping gazania	M	0.5'	3'-4'	F	Various	All year
Ruellia brittonia 'Katie'	Dwarf ruellia	L	1'	1'	F,PS	Blue	Spring, Fall
VINES							
Bougainvillea spp.	Bougainvillea	M	15'-30'	-	F	Various	All year
ACCENT PLANTS							
Aloe x 'Blue Elf'	Blue Elf aloe	L	1.5'	2'	F,PS	Orange-red	Winter-Spring
Asclepias subulata	Desert milkweed	L	3'-6'	2'-3'	F	Pale yellow	Spring-Fall
Euphorbia milii	Crown of thorns	L	1'-4'	1.5'	F	Red	All year
Ferocactus acanthoides	Barrel cactus	L	8'	2'	F,PS	Yellow-orange	Late spring
Yucca rostrata	Chihuahuan desert tree yucca	L	12'	9'	F,PS	White	Late spring
PERENNIALS							
Baileya multiradiata	Desert marigold	L	1 ½ '	1 ½ '	F	Yellow	Spring-Fall
Euphorbia rigida	Gopher plant	L	2'	3'-5'	F	Yellow	Spring