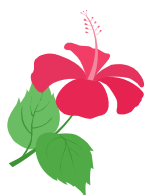


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Abutilon	Flowering Maple	x	x	x											x							x	x			x
Adenium obesum	Desert Rose		x	x		x			x					x			x			x			x			
Agapanthus	Lily of the Nile		x	x		x	x			x	x	x		x						x			x	x	x	
Agave	Century Plant				x	x			x	x				x			x			x		x	x			
Aloe	Aloe				x	x			x	x		x		x			x			x			x			
Alpinia	Shell Ginger			x	x		x					x		x					x		x		x		x	
Alstroemeria	Peruvian Lily		x	x		x	x					x		x						x				x	x	
Anigozanthos	Kangaroo Paws	x	x	x		x			x			x		x							x	x	x	x	x	
Aparagus 'Myers'	Foxtail Fern				x		x	x				x		x						x			x			
Asparagus 'Sprengeri'	Asparagus Fern				x		x	x				x	x	x						x			x			
Bamboo	Bamboo				x	x	x				x			x											x	
Bougainvillea	Bougainvillea	x	x	x		x			x			x	x	x	x	x					x		x		x	
Brugmansia	Angel's Trumpet		x	x		x								x					x			x	x		x	
Cactus	Cactus			x	x	x			x	x		x		x			x			x		x	x			
Caladium 'Thai Beauty'	Thai Beauty Caladium				x			x				x		x						x			x			
Canna	Canna Lily			x	x	x	x				x			x						x				x		
Citrus	Citrus fruits	x				x			x		x	x		x	x			x	x		x	x	x			
Colocasia/Alocasia	Elephant Ears, Taro				x		x				x	x		x							x	x	x	x	x	
Cordyline	Dracena				x	x	x		x	x	x			x			x			x	x	x	x			
Cuphea hyssopifolia	Mexican Heather	x	x	x		x			x	x		x		x						x			x			
Cynara	Artichoke		x		x	x			x	x		x		x				x			x					x
Ensete	Banana Leaf				x		x				x			x						x	x	x	x		x	
Eucalyptus	Silver Dollar Plant				x	x				x		x							x		x	x			x	
Euryops	Bush Daisy	x		x		x			x	x		x		x	x					x					x	
Gardenia	Gardenia		x	x			x	x				x		x	x				x		x	x	x			
Heliconia	Parrot Flower		x	x		x					x			x						x					x	
Hibiscus	Hibiscus	x	x	x		x						x		x	x					x	x	x	x		x	
Jatropha	Peregrina		x	x		x						x			x						x				x	
Justicia	Shrimp Plant		x	x		x	x					x								x	x		x		x	

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Lantana	Lantana		x	x		x						x	x		x					x	x	x			x	
Laurus noblis	Bay Laurel				x	x	x		x	x		x		x	x			x			x	x	x			
Mandevilla	Mandevilla, Dipladenia		x	x		x			x		x		x			x			x	x	x	x			x	
Musa	Banana				x		x				x			x				x		x	x	x	x		x	
Pachystachys lutea	Golden Shrimp Plant		x	x		x						x		x							x	x	x		x	
Palm Cycas	Sago Palm				x		x	x						x						x	x	x	x			
Palm Phoenix	Date Palm				x	x	x				x			x							x	x	x			
Palm Washingtonia	Mexican Fan Palm				x	x	x		x		x			x						x	x	x	x			
Pandora	Pandorea	x	x	x		x							x			x				x			x			
Passiflora	Passion Vine		x	x		x	x									x					x		x		x	
Pennisetum rubrum	Purple Fountain Grass			x	x	x				x	x			x						x	x				x	
Phormium	New Zealand Flax				x	x	x	x	x	x	x			x						x	x	x	x		x	
Plumbago	Plumbago		x	x		x	x					x	x	x	x	x					x	x			x	
Punica	Pomegranate		x	x		x						x		x							x	x	x		x	
Rosmarinus	Rosemary		x		x	x			x	x		x	x	x	x			x	x	x			x			
Rumex	Bloodwort				x	x	x					x						x		x	x					
Thunbergia	Black-eyed Susan Vine		x	x		x							x			x				x	x					x
Trachelospermum	Star Jasmine		x	x		x	x			x		x	x			x			x	x			x		x	