

KEY				
Water Needs	VL = very low	L = low	M = medium	H = high
Sun/Shade	S = sun	PS = part sun	Sh = shade	Prt Sh = part shade

Native, low-water plants

Native, low-water flowers and ground covers

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<i>Achillea lanulosa</i> , <i>now A. millefolium</i>	common yarrow	L-H	S/PS	1.5-2'	white	5-10 K	Jul	9.5
<i>Allium cernuum</i>	nodding onion	L-H	S/PS	1'	pink/purple	5-10 K	Jun	10
<i>Allium geyeri</i>	Geyer's onion	L-H	S/PS	1'	pink	5-10 K	Jun	10
<i>Antennaria parvifolia</i>	small-leaf pussytoes	M	S/PS	<.5'	creamy white	5-10 K	Jun	8
<i>Antennaria rosea</i>	rosy pussytoes	M	S/PS	<.5'	rose	5-10 K	Jun	8
<i>Aquilegia chrysantha</i>	golden columbine	M-H	S/PS	1-2'	yellow	5-10 K	Jun-Aug	8
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	common butterfly weed	L	S	1-2'	orange	5-6 K	Summer	8
<i>Symphotrichum</i> (f. <i>Aster</i> ) <i>laeve</i>	smooth aster	L-H	S/PS	1-3'	blue/ lavender	5-10 K	Aug-Sep	8
<i>Symphotrichum</i> (f. <i>Aster</i> ) <i>porteri</i>	porter aster	L-M	S	1'	white	5-10 K	Aug-Sep	8
<i>Astragalus utahensis</i>	Utah milkvetch	L	S	.5'	pink/purple	5-6 K	Spring	8
<i>Callirhoe involucrata</i>	poppy mallow	L	S	5"	pink/white	5-8 K	Summer	8
<i>Calochortus gunnisonii</i>	Gunnison's mariposa lily	M-H	S	.5-2'	white	5-10 K	Jul-Aug	8
<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	harebell; bluebells of Scotland	M-H	S	.5-1'	blue	5-10 K	May-Oct	9.5
<i>Claytonia lanceolata</i>	western spring beauty	M	Sh	.5-1.5'	white	5-10 K	Mar-Apr	9.5
<i>Coreopsis tinctoria</i>	plains coreopsis	L-M	S	2.5-3'	yellow	5-9 K	Summer	8
<i>Erysimum capitatum</i>	western wallflower	M	S/PS	1'+	yellow	5-10 K	Jun-Jul	9
<i>Gaillardia aristata</i>	blanketflower	L-M	S	1-1.5'	yellow-reddish	5-10 K	Jul-Sep	8
<i>Galium boreale</i>	northern bedstraw	M-H	Sh	<1'	white	5-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Geranium caespitosum</i>	Rocky Mountain geranium	M	Sh/PS	2'	pink/purple/ white	5-10 K	May-Oct	8
<i>Geum triflorum</i>	prairie smoke	M-H	S/PS	1.5'	reddish pink	5-10 K	Jun	8
<i>Leucocrinum montanum</i>	sand lily	L-M	S	<1'	white	5-8 K	May	10
<i>Linum lewisii</i>	Lewis or blue flax	L	S	2.5'	blue	5-8 K	Late Spring- Early Summer	8
<i>Lupinus argenteus</i>	silvery lupine	M	Sh/PS	1-3'	blue	5-10 K	Jun-Jul	8
<i>Mertensia lanceolata</i>	prairie bluebell	M	Sh/PS	1-2'	blue	5-10 K	May-Jun	10

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<i>Oenothera speciosa</i>	evening primrose	L-M	S	1-1.5'	white-pink	4-7 K	May-Jul	8
<i>Penstemon caespitosus</i>	mat penstemon	L-M	S	<.5'	purple	5-10 K	Jun	8
<i>Penstemon secundiflorus</i>	sidebells penstemon	L-M	S	1-2'	blue/violet/pink	5-9 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Penstemon teucrioides</i>	germander beardtongue	L-M	S	.5'	purple/violet	5-10 K	Jun-Jul	8
<i>Penstemon spp.</i>	penstemon species, cultivars	L-M	S	1-2.5'	blue/purple/violet	5-9 K	Summer	8
<i>Penstemon strictus</i>	Rocky Mountain penstemon	L-M	S	2-2.5'	purple/violet	5-10 K	May-Jul	8
<i>Penstemon virens</i>	Front Range beardtongue	M	S/PS	.5'	blue	5-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Sedum lanceolatum</i>	yellow stonecrop	M	S/PS	.5'	yellow	5-10 K	Jul-Aug	10
<i>Thermopsis rhombifolia</i> var. <i>divaricarpa</i>	spreadfruit golden banner	M-H	S/PS	2'	yellow	5-10 K	May	8

<b>Native, low-water shrubs, trees and cacti</b>								
<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i> v. <i>utahensis</i>	Utah serviceberry	VL-M	S	4-6'	white	5-7 K	May	7.5
<i>Cylindropuntia spp.</i>	Cholla	VL-M	S	3-5'	pink	5-6 K	Jun	8
<i>Opuntia spp.</i>	prickly pear	VL	S	.5-1'	yellow/pink	5-7.5 K	May	10
<i>Philadelphus lewisii</i>	Cheyenne mock orange	M	S	2-3'	white	5-9 K	Jun	8
<i>Populus tremuloides</i>	aspen	M	S	8-25'	catkins	5-10 K	n/a	9
<i>Rhus glabra</i>	smooth sumac	L	S	3-5'	yellow	5-8 K	Apr	8
<i>Rhus trilobata</i> 'Autumn Amber'	Autumn Amber sumac	L	S/PS	1'	yellow	5-7.5 K	Apr	8
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	snowberry	M	S/PS	2-3'	white/pink	5-9 K	n/a	8
<i>Yucca baccata</i>	banana yucca	VL-L	S/PS	2-3'	white	5-6 K	Jun	8
<i>Yucca glauca</i>	soapweed, Great Plains yucca	VL-L	S/PS	2-3'	white	5-7 K	Jun	8

<b>Non-native, low-water plants</b>								
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<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i> "Variegatum"	variegated bishop's weed, goutweed	M	S/PS	8"	white	5-8 K	not showy	8
<i>Ajuga reptans</i>	bugleweed	H	Sh	<.5'	blue	5-10 K	Jun-Jul	8
<i>Alchemilla mollis</i>	Lady's mantle	M-H	PS/Sh	1'	yellow	5-9 K	Jun-Jul	8
<i>Arabis spp.</i>	rockcress	L-H	S	<1'	white	5-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Armeria maritima</i>	sea thrift	L-H	S/PS	.5'	white	5-10 K	Apr-Jun	8
<i>Aubrieta spp.</i>	false rockcress	M	S	1'	pink/white/purple	5-9 K	Apr-May	8
<i>Aurinia saxatilis</i>	basket of gold	M	S/PS	1'	yellow	5-9 K	Apr-May	8

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<i>Bergenia cordifolia</i>	heartleaf bergenia, pigsqueak	M	PS/Sh	1'	pink/purple	5-9 K	Spring	8
<i>Centranthus ruber</i>	Jupiter's beard	L-H	S/Sh	2-2.5'	red	5-9 K	May-Oct	10
<i>Cerastium alpinum v. lanthanum</i>	alpine mouse-ear	M	S/PS	1'	white	5-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Cerastium tomentosum</i>	snow-in-summer	L-M	S/PS	1'	white	5-9 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Ceratostigma plumbaginoides</i>	plumbago	L	S/Sh	.5'	blue	5-6 K	Fall	8
<i>Convallaria majalis</i>	Lily-of-the-valley	H	Sh	<1'	white	5-9 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Coreopsis spp.</i>	tickseed, coreopsis	M	S	1.5-2'	yellow	5-8 K	Summer	8
<i>Delosperma nubigenum</i>	hardy yellow ice plant	M-H	S	.5'	chartreuse-yellow	5-8 K	Jun	10
<i>Delosperma spp.</i>	ice plant	L	S	1.5-2'	yellow	varies	Spring	10
<i>Dianthus spp.</i>	pink	L-H	S	<.5'-2'	pink	5-10 K	May-Aug	9
<i>Diascia integerrima 'Coral Canyon'</i>	Coral Canyon twinspur	M	S/Prt Sh	1-1.5'	rose-pink	4-7 K	Summer	9
<i>Doronicum spp.</i>	Leopard's bane	H	S/PS	2-3'	yellow	5-9 K	Jul-Aug	10
<i>Echeveria spp.</i>	hens-n-chicks	L	S/Prt Sh	1-2'	varies	5-9 K	Summer	8
<i>Ephedra regeliana</i>	Regel's jointfir	L	S	6-12"	yellow	5-12 K	Spring	8
<i>Erysimum linifolium</i>	wallflower	L	S	1-3'	varies	4.5-12 K	Spring-Summer	9
<i>Euonymus fortunei</i>	winter creeper	M	S/Prt Sh	3'	green-white	4.5-8 K	Spring	8
<i>Euphorbia polychroma</i>	cushion spurge	L	S	12-18'	yellow	5-8 K	Spring	10
<i>Euphorbia x martini 'Mini Martini'</i>	Martini's spurge	L-H	S	1.5-2'	chartreuse	4-6 K	Late Spring	10
<i>Fragaria spp.</i>	wild strawberries	M	S/Prt Sh	.25-.75"	white	5-11 K	Summer	9
<i>Geranium spp.</i>	hardy geraniums	M	Sh/PS	2'	blue/pink/purple/white	5-10 K	May-Oct	8
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	rockrose, sunrose	M-H	S	<1'	pink	5-8 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Hemerocallis sp.</i>	daylilies	L-M	S/PS	1-3'	yellow/red/orange	5-7.5 K	Summer	10
<i>Iberis sempervirens 'Little Gem'</i>	Little Gem evergreen	M	S	.5-1'	white	4.5-9 K	Spring	8
<i>Iris germanica</i>	bearded iris	L-M	S	1-3'	numerous colors	5-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Kniphofia uvaria</i>	red hot poker	L	S	3'	red/yellow	5-6 K	Summer	8
<i>Lamium spp.</i>	spotted deadnettle	M-H	Sh	<1'	white/purple/pink	5-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Lilium spp.</i>	lilies	M	S/Prt Sh	1-8'	varies	4-6.5 K	Summer	10
<i>Lupinus spp.</i>	lupine	L-M	S/PS	2-3'	lavender blue	5-10 K	Summer	8
<i>Marrubium rotundifolium</i>	silver-edged horehound	VL-L	S	1.5-2.5'	white	5-6 K	Early Summer	8

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<i>Muscari armeniacum</i>	grape hyacinth	M	S/PS	6-9"	blue	4.5-10 K	Spring	10
<i>Nierembergia gracilis</i> 'Starry Eyes'	Starry Eyes' cupflower	M	S	10"	purple (lt. lav.)	4.5-5.5 K	Summer/ Late Summer	8
<i>Nierembergia repens</i>	creeping white cup	M-H	S/PS	2-4"	white	4.5-5.5 K	July-Sep	8
<i>Oenothera berlandieri</i>	Berlander's sundrop	L-M	S	1'	yellow	4.5-6.5 K	Early Summer-Fall	8
<i>Pachysandra terminalis</i> 'Green Sheen'	Green Sheen pachysandra	M-H	Sh	6-8"	white	4-8 K	April-May	8
<i>Papaver orientale</i>	Oriental poppy	H	S/Sh	2-3'	orange/ pink/red	5-10 K	May-Jun	9
<i>Polemonium spp.</i>	Jacobs ladder	H	S/PS	1-2'	blue/white	5-10 K	May-Aug	8
<i>Polygonatum commutatum</i>	great Solomon's seal	M-H	PS/Sh	2'	white	4-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Salvia officinalis</i>	common or garden sage	L-M	S/PS	2'	blue- lavender/ pink/ lavender	5-8 K	Jun	7.5
<i>Saxifraga hirsuta</i>	saxifrage	H	S/PS	.5'+	white	5-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Scutellaria alpina</i> 'Moonbeam'	alpine skullcap	M	S/PS	.5-1'	white/ purple	4-8 K	May	8
<i>Sedum spp.</i>	stonecrop	M	S/PS	1-1.5'	yellow	5-10 K	Jul-Aug	10
<i>Sempervivum spp.</i>	hens and chicks, houseleeks	L-M	S/PS	.5'	pink	5-10 K	n/a	10
<i>Solidago sphacelata</i> 'Golden Fleece'	Golden Fleece goldenrod	VL-M	S	1-1.5'	yellow	4-8 K	Aug-Sep	8
<i>Thymus serpyllum</i> 'Minus'	Elfin thyme	L	S	1-3"	pink	4-10 K	Early-Late Summer	8
<i>Trifolium spp.</i>	clover	M	S/PS	1-2'	white/ purple/pink	varies/spp.	varies: May-Oct	8
<i>Veronica pectinata</i>	woolly creeping speedwall	L-M	S	<.5'	blue	5-9 K	Apr-Jul	8
<i>Vinca minor</i>	common periwinkle	H	Sh	<1'	white	5-10 K	Apr-Jun	8
<i>Waldsteinia spp.</i>	Barren strawberry	M-H	Sh/PS	<1'	yellow	5-9 K	May-Jun	8

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<i>Berberis thunbergii</i> 'Atropurpurea Nana'	crimson pygmy Japanese barberry	M	S	2-3'	yellow	5-7.5 K	Spring	8
<i>Ceanothus americanus</i>	New Jersey tea' ceanothus	M	S/PS	2-3'	white	5-7.5 K	Summer	8
<i>Lonicera tatarica</i>	Tatarian honeysuckle	M	S/PS	4-6'	white/pink	5-10 K	May-Jun	8
<i>Malus spp.</i>	crabapple	M	S	10-15'	pink/white	5-9 K	Apr-May	8
<i>Yucca filamentosa</i>	Adam's needle	M	S/PS	2-3'	white	5-8 K	Jun	8

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<b>Turf grasses</b>								
<i>Bouteloua dactyloides</i>	buffalograss	L	S	mow to 2"	n/a	5-6.5 K	n/a	9
<i>Bouteloua gracilis</i>	blue grama	L	S	mow to 2"	n/a	4.5-7.5 K	n/a	9
<i>Festuca ovina</i>	sheep fescue	M	S	mow to 2"	n/a	5-9 K	n/a	9
<i>Lolium perenne</i>	perennial ryegrass	M	S	mow to 2"	n/a	5-8 K	n/a	10
<i>Poa compressa</i>	Canada bluegrass	M	S	mow to 2"	n/a	5-8 K	n/a	9
<i>Poa pratensis</i>	Kentucky bluegrass	M	S	mow to 2"	n/a	5-9 K	n/a	10

<b>Low-flammability plants with higher water needs</b>								
<i>Aconitum columbianum</i>	Columbian monkshood	M-H	S	2'	blue/purple	5-10 K	Jun-Jul	7.5
<i>Aconitum spp.</i>	monkshood	M-H	S	2'	blue/purple	5-10 K	Jun-Jul	7.5
<i>Aquilegia caerulea</i>	Colorado blue columbine	M-H	S/PS	1-2'	blue-lav./white	5-10 K	Jun-Jul	8
<i>Aquilegia spp.</i>	columbine	M-H	S/PS	1-2'	varies	5-10 K	Jun-Jul	8
<i>Corylus cornuta</i>	beaked hazelnut	H	S/Sh	5-6'	yellow-brown	5-7.5 K	inconspicuous	8
<i>Hosta spp.</i>	hosta	M-H	PS	2-3'	varies	varies	Summer-Fall	8
<i>Iris missouriensis</i>	Missouri or native iris	M-H	S	1-2'	violet blue	5-10 K	May	9.5