# **NOTES**

All plant material should have a minimum of seasonal maintenance to remove dead or diseased plant material.

Characteristics of highly flammable plants include: Dry, dead leaves, twigs or litter, high oil or resin including gums or terpenes & foliage with low moisture content.

Supplemental irrigation (even for drought tolerant plants) is necessary to keep adequate moisture levels in our Rogue Valley climate. In times of drought give preference to irrigating trees and shrubs over lawn and perennials.

# **OTHER RESOURCES**



Waterwise Ashland www.ashlandsaveswater.org



OSU Extension Service
www.ashland.or.us/privacyscreening



Ashland - Bee City USA www.ashland.or.us/beecity



Looking for more information? www.ashlandfirewise.org

# FIREWISE PLANT LIST

for Ashland, Oregon

This information was produced in 2018 in collaboration with City of Ashland's Wildfire Safety Commission and Water Conservation Specialist.

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## **Did You Know?**

Fire science indicates that the first 5 feet around structures should be free from all combustible material, including flammable vegetation and bark mulch.

## **FIREWISE PLANTS**

Plants typically have high moisture content, are low growing and deciduous or broadleaf evergreen.

#### **EVERGREEN SHRUBS:**

- \*\* Mexican Orange, Choisya spp.
- Boxwood, Buxus sempervirens
- Rhododendron, Rhododendron spp.
- Camellia, Camellia sinensis
  Distylium, Distylium spp.
- Portuguese Laurel, Prunus luisitanica
- Silverberry, *Eleagnus* spp.
- \* Coffeeberry, Rhamnus spp.
- % Abelia, *Abelia* spp.
- ♦ Holly, *Ilex* spp.
- Silk tassel, Garrya eliptica
- **♦♦** Strawberry Tree, *Arbutus unedo*

#### **DECIDUOUS TREES:**

- Chaste tree, Vitex agnus-castus
- Persian ironwood, Parrotia persica
- % △ Oak, *Quercus* spp.
- Maple, Acerspp.

#### **DECIDUOUS SMALL TREES & SHRUBS:**

- 🗞 🦟 Azalea, *Rhododendron* spp.
  - Hydrangea, Hydrangea spp.
- Japanese Maple, Acer palmatum
- **%** ★ Ninebark, *Physocarpus* spp.
- \*♦♦# Currant, Ribes spp.
- Serviceberry, *Amelanchier* spp.
- ★ ★ Elderberry, Sambucas spp.
- Pieris, Japonica spp.
- Spirea, Spiraea thunbergii
- \* Crepe Myrtle, *Lagerstroemia* spp.
- Sp. Daphne, Daphne spp.
- Mock Orange, *Philidelphus* spp.
- Snowberry, Symphoricarpos spp.
- State Cornelian Cherry, Cornus mas
- \* Tree Peony, Paeonia suffruticosa
- **%** Redbud, *Cercis* spp.
- **\*\*** ★ Fruit Trees
- **⇔ a** Dogwood, *Cornus* spp. Hornbeam, *Carpinus* spp.

## PROHIBITED FLAMMABLE PLANTS

Not to be used within 30' of any structure, including outbuildings and decks (AMC 9.04). Avoid mass planting.

#### **Prohibited Trees**

Arborvitae/Redcedar, Thuja spp.

- \*Cedar, *Cedrus* spp.
- \*Cedar/Cypress, *Chamaecyparis* spp.
- \*Cypress, *Cupressus* spp.

Douglas-fir, Pseudotsuga menziesii

Fir, Abies spp.

\*Hemlock, *Tsuga* spp.

Incense Cedar, Calocedrus decurrens or Libocedrus decurrens

- \*Juniper, Juniperus spp.
- \*Pine, *Pinus* spp.

Giant Sequoia, Sequoiadendron spp.

Coast Redwood, Sequoia spp.

- \*Spruce, *Picea* spp.
- \*Yew, Taxus spp.

#### **Prohibited Shrubs**

Bitterbrush, *Purshia tridentata* 

Broom, *Cytisus* spp.

\*Ceanothus, *Ceanothus* spp.

Himalayan Blackberry, Rubus armeniacus

Juniper, Juniperus spp.

- \*Lavender, Lavandula spp.
- \*Manzanita, Arctostaphylos spp.
- \*Oregon grape, *Mahonia aquifolium*
- \*Rosemary, Rosmarinus spp.

Sagebrush, Artemisia tridentata or californica spp.

#### **Prohibited Grasses**

Pampas grass, Cortaderia selloana

# \*Exceptions may be granted for dwarf or prostrate varieties of these species planted beyond 5 feet from any structure, and that follow tree or shrub spacing guidelines as defined in the General Fuel Modification Area Standards in AMC 18.3.10.100.

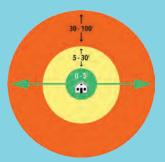
# **Plant Icon Key**

- Drought Tolerant
- **%** Pollinator Plants
- र्स These Plants May Require Deer Protection

## **Planting Distances**

Use this chart to plan your firewise landscaping.

Firewise plants may be planted within 5 feet of a building. Prohibited flammable plants must be planted a minimum of 30' from any structure.



### PLANTS TO USE WITH CAUTION

These plants require more annual maintenance to remove dead leaves and branches. Use caution and plant outside of 5' of buildings.

#### **EVERGREEN SHRUBS:**

- **%** ★ Japanese Plum Yew, *Cephalotaxus* spp.
- **%** Bottlebrush, *Callistemon* spp.
- **%**△ Rockrose, *Cistus* spp.

#### **GROUNDCOVERS:**

- \* Creeping Oregon Grape, Mahonia repens
- \* Creeping Strawberry, Fragaria spp.
- **%** Kinnickkinnick, *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*
- Phlox, Phlox subulata
- Sweet Woodruff, Galium odoratum
- Rosemary ground cover, Rosmarinus prostratus

#### **GRASS**:

Bamboo, Bambusoideae phyllostachys or fargesia

THIS LIST IS NOT EXHAUSTIVE! Ornamental grasses and herbaceous perennials offer color, and texture, attract beneficials and are typically suitable for Firewise plantings. Additional Firewise plant resources can be found on the back of this pamphlet or your local nursery.