

INLAND GREENS HOA RECOMMENDED PLANT LIST

(Developed in cooperation and consultation with the Arboretum staff, NCSU Cooperative Extension Service, Five Oaks Nursery and The Transplanted Garden)

Goals:

Low maintenance (to reduce future expenses)
Low growing (to not block sight lines and reduce pruning expenses)
Drought tolerant; hardy in this zone
Perennials (for flowers vs annuals – to save future expenses and the plants reproduce)
Colorful and attractive; good for butterflies and birds
Native, hardy plants
Evergreen shrubs /grasses for screening utility boxes

Shrubs (choose dwarf, if available):

Encore azaleas – evergreen, low growing, color – bloom more than once, good screening
 Recommend: Autumn Angel (white; 3'x3'); Autumn Empress (fuchsia; 4'x3')
Knock-out roses – good color, hardy, only prune once (in winter)
Nandinas – “firepower” for driveway dividers
Butterfly bushes – dwarf
Camellias – esp. sasanqua
Cypress gold “mop” or fernleaf – good low-growing (3') screening plant

Small Trees (with small root systems to not harm foundations and fences):

Crepe myrtles, Hollies – yaupon or Nellie Stevens, oleanders, japanese maples

Grasses:

Lomandra “Breeze” – evergreen and low-growing; good screening
Muhly – 3 ft. high
Miscanthus
 Adagio - 4 ft high
 Little Kitten – 1-3 ft.
 Gracillimus and Cosmopolitan – 6-8 ft. (may be too tall for many areas)
 Dwarf – 3-5 ft.
Mondo grass – tough, low, dark green, spreads, holds soil – good for driveway dividers

Perennials:

Gaura
Stella d'oro day lilies (small, yellow)
Snapdragons; black-eyed susans; russian sage; plumbago; salvia (indigo spires);
homestead verbena; some lantanas; mexican sage bush

Annuals:

Diamond frost; pentas; pansies; vincas; some lantanas; angelonia

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