

# RESOURCES FOR XERISCAPING:

## Low-water lawn options:

- Dog Tuff turf: <https://plantselect.org/plant/cynodon-pwin04s/>
- Tahoma 31 Bermudagrass: [www.gvt.net](http://www.gvt.net)

**Resource Central** has several resources including **Garden in a Box**, these sell out early, you need to be proactive by signing up well in advance, you can get a \$25 discount for Windsor Water customers: <https://resourcecentral.org/> also <https://resourcecentral.org/gardens/>

**Plant Select** -- The plants in this list are low water and or xeric, they do very well in our climate, and have been rated as top plants for landscapes

- <https://plantselect.org/> (plant list and other resources)
- <https://plantselect.org/design/downloadable-designs/> (see several low water/xeric designs)

**CSU Extension** service fact sheets for low water/xeric plants

- <https://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/xeriscaping-retrofit-your-yard-7-234/>
- <https://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/xeriscaping-creative-landscaping-7-228/>
- <https://cmg.extension.colostate.edu/Gardennotes/657.pdf> (water mature trees)
- <https://static.colostate.edu/client-files/csfs/pdfs/droughttrees.pdf> (drought tolerant trees)
- <https://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/xeriscaping-trees-and-shrubs-7-229/>
- <https://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/xeriscaping-perennials-and-annual-flowers-7-231/>

**Northern Water** has several demonstration gardens that are low water and xeric for ideas and information.

- <https://www.northernwater.org/Home/Page/4ed01322-d43f-4b18-8e56-5eee73a4455b>

**City of Fort Collins** there are many resources on the following website:

- <https://www.fcgov.com/utilities/residential/conserves/water-efficiency/xeriscape/incentive-program/resources/>

**High Plains Environmental Center Native Plant Nursery:**

- <https://suburbitat.org/native-plant-nursery-sustainable-stormwater-demo-area/>

**Colorado State Statutes:**

[Colorado Legal Resources | Statutes Document Page \(lexis.com\)](#) Section (11)(a)

**(I)** Any section of a restrictive covenant or of the declaration, bylaws, or rules and regulations of a common interest community, all as defined in section 38-33.3-103, and any rule or policy of a special district, as defined in section 32-1-103 (20), that prohibits or limits xeriscape, prohibits or limits the installation or use of drought-tolerant vegetative landscapes, requires cultivated vegetation to consist wholly or partially of turf grass, or prohibits the use of nonvegetative turf grass in the backyard of a residential property is hereby declared contrary to public policy and, on that basis, is unenforceable. This subsection (11)(a) does not prohibit common interest communities or special districts from adopting and enforcing design or aesthetic guidelines or rules that apply to drought-tolerant vegetative or nonvegetative landscapes or regulate the type, number, and placement of drought-tolerant plantings and hardscapes that may be installed on property that is subject to the guidelines or rules; except that the guidelines or rules must not prohibit the use of nonvegetative turf grass in the backyard of a residential property.

**(II)** This subsection (11)(a), as amended by House Bill 21-1229, enacted in 2021, does not apply to an association that includes time share units, as defined in section 38-33-110 (7).

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**(A)** The use of xeriscape, nonvegetative turf grass, or drought-tolerant vegetative landscapes to provide ground covering to property for which a unit owner is responsible, including a limited common element or property owned by the unit owner. Associations may adopt and enforce design or aesthetic guidelines or rules that apply to nonvegetative turf grass and drought-tolerant vegetative landscapes or regulate the type, number, and placement of drought-tolerant plantings and hardscapes that may be installed on a unit owner's property or on a limited common element or other property for which the unit owner is responsible. An association may restrict the installation of nonvegetative turf grass to rear yard locations only.

**(B)** This subsection (1)(i), as amended by House Bill 21-1229, enacted in 2021, does not apply to an association that includes time share units, as defined in section 38-33-110 (7).