



COLD HARDY: SHRUBS



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Small Shrubs (Averaging no larger than about 4' T & W)	Special Interest	Light Requirement	Evergreen
Abelia (multiple sizes)	Small but profuse blooms in spring. Many varieties have foliage color.	Sun/Part Sun	Semi
Azaela (Formosa var. in 6'-8' range)	Many varieties offer repeat blooms through the year	Part Sun	✓
Barberry	Colorful spring foliage	Sun/Part Sun	Semi
Boxwood: Japanese	Fun to make into topiaries	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Crape Myrtle: Dwf. varieties	Covered in crepe-like flowers summer/fall.	Sun	No
Euonymus: Golden	Gold and green variegation	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Holly: Carissa *Dwf. Buford Dwf. Chinese Dwf. Yaupon	*Non-edible, winter berries on Dwf. Buford, and female Dwf. Yaupon. Sometimes on Dwf. Chinese as well	Sun/Part Sun/Shade	✓
Indian Hawthorne	Spring pink to white flowers	Sun	✓
Junipers: Dwarf	Groundcover varieties may stretch out to 6'-8' wide	Sun	✓
Mahonia	Fall/Winter yellow flowers Spring brings purple/blue drupes	Part Sun/Shade	✓
Nandina: *Compact Gulf Stream Nana	*Winter berries on Compact Colorful winter foliage on all	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Pittosporum: Wheeler's Dwf.	*Could sustain some damage if temps drop into mid teens	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Pomegranate (Dwarf) (Ornamental)	Dbf orange/red flowers in spring Non-edible fruit in summer	Sun	✓
Spirea: Anthony Waterer	Spring brings magenta flowers	Sun	No



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Abelia: Glossy	Spring and summer small white bell shaped flowers	Sun/Part Sun	✓
American Beautyberry	Late summer to fall purple berries in an ombre pattern	Shade	No
Aucuba: Gold Dust	Dark green glossy leaves variegated with yellow specks	Shade	✓
Azaela (Formosa variety)	Traditional southern azaela 3" purple-red blooms in spring	Part Sun	✓
Camellia (Sasanqua varieties)	Gorgeous pink flowers bloom in winter.	AM Part Sun/Shade	✓
Cleyera	New foliage growth is copper-red	Shade	✓
Elaeagnus	Gray foliage	Sun	✓
Fringeflower	Spring and winter pink/magenta flowers Many have purple foliage	Part Sun	No
Gardenia: (standard forms are most cold hardy)	Fragrant, white, rose-like flowers	Part Sun/Shade	✓
Holly: Burford Needlepoint	Red winter berries	Sun/Part Sun/Shade	✓
Italian Jasmine	Deep green arching branches	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Japanese Fatsia	Large star-shaped leaves	Shade	✓
Mahonia: Leatherleaf	Interesting gray/blue, spiny foliage, Winter clusters of blue drupes	Shade	✓
Nandina: Standard	Winter color on foliage and showy berries	Sun/Part Sun	✓
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Oakleaf Hydrangea	Large white flower heads, gorgeous dark red fall foliage	Part Sun/Shade	No
Primrose Jasmine	Weeping, arching branches produce bright yellow flowers in spring	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Quince: Flowering	Late winter/early spring brings vibrant, showy flowers: red, pink, apricot, white and more	Sun/Part Sun	No
Spirea: Bridal Wreath Van Houttei	Arching branches with with flowers in spring	Sun/Part Sun	No
Texas Sage (Cenizo)	Gray-blue to green foliage, magenta/purple flowers summer through fall especially after it rains	Sun	✓
Variegated Privet	Bright white and green variegated foliage, small spring flowers	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Viburnum: *Spring Bouquet **Sandankwa	*Spring pink flowers **Spring white flowers	Part Sun/Shade	✓



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Camellia:	Mid winter blooms: 5 petaled pink flowers	Part Sun	✓
Crape Myrtles	Lots of sizes and varieties: Generally pinks, red, whites, lavenders for blooms	Sun	No
Cherry Laurel	White pompom flowers in spring, followed by blue, non-edible berries	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Holly: Mary Nell Nellie R. Stevens Oak Leaf Sky Pencil Weeping Yaupon Will Fleming Yaupon	Winter berries except for Mary Nell	Sun/Part Sun/Shade	✓
Japanese Yew	Upright, graceful form	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Junipers	Many types to choose from with slightly different hues	Sun	✓
Ligustrum: Japanese Waxleaf	Glossy leaves	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Mock Orange	White flowers in spring that look like dogwood blooms	Part Sun (AM only)	No
Oleander	Spring and summer beautiful blooms, red, salmon, pink, white, apricot	Sun	✓
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Pittosporum	Green larger than variegated	Sun/Part Sun	✓
Pomegranate (Standard) (Ornamental)	Double flowering orange/red flowers in spring. Non-edible fruit in summer	Sun	No
Pyracantha (Standard) (Dwf varieties are smaller and might not have berries)	Orange or red berries in winter	Sun	✓
Rusty Blackhaw Viburnum	Changes color for seasons: Bright green in spring Dark green in summer Fire red in fall	Part Sun/Shade	No
Sweet Olive	Flowers are not showy but have a lovely, rich fragrance	Part Sun/Shade	✓
Sweet Viburnum	Big, glossy leaves	Part Sun/Shade	✓
Texas Mountain Laurel (large shrub, small tree)	Early spring bloomer, purple cascades of flowers that smell like grape Kool-Aid	Sun	✓
Vitex	Lavender spikes of flowers in spring. Looks like lilac but no fragrance	Sun	No
Xylosma	Best substitute for disease-prone Red Tip Photinia, has goldenbronze new growth that develops into shiny green	Sun/Part Sun	✓



COLD HARDY: ANNUALS



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Very Freeze Resistant	Hardy to:
Pansies	Single digits and teens
Violas	Single digits and teens
Freeze Resistant	Hardy to:
Redbor Kale	Teens and Low 20s
Dianthus (Pinks)	Teens and Low 20s
Moderately Freeze Resistant	Hardy to:
Calendula	Low to Mid 20s
Dusty Miller	Low to Mid 20s
Iceland Poppies	Low to Mid 20s
Ornamental Cabbage	Low to Mid 20s
Ornamental Kale	Low to Mid 20s
Snapdragons	Low to Mid 20s
Sweet Alyssum	Low to Mid 20s
Frost and Light Freeze Resistant	Hardy to:
Cyclamen	High 20s
English Daisies	High 20s
Foxglove	High 20s
Larkspur	High 20s
Lobelia	High 20s
Petunias	High 20s
Primrose	High 20s
Wallflowers	High 20s



COLD HARDY: YUCCA



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Yucca	Hardy to:	Avg. Mature Size in Feet
Adam's Needle	-20°F	4 x 6
Banana	-20°F	4 x 6
Beaked	-10°F	10 x 4
Buckley	0°F	1 x 3
Mexican Blue	0°F	12 x 6
Navajo	15°F	3 x 3
Pale-Leaf Yucca	-10°F	1-2 x 1-3
Red Yucca	-20°F	3 x 3
Soapweed Yucca	15°F	3 x 6
Spanish Dagger	0°F	7-20 x 4-8
Thompson	10°F	6 x 6
Twisted Leaf	-10°F	2 x 2-3



COLD HARDY: AGAVE



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Agave	Hardy to:	Avg. Mature Size in Feet
Artichoke Agave	10°F	3 x 3
Cabbage Head Agave	15°F	2 x 2
Caribbean Agave	20°F	4 x 4
Center Stripe Agave	15°F	2 x 3
Cow's Horn Agave	20°F	4 x 4-5
Harvard Agave	-10°F	3 x 4
Murphy Agave	10°F	3 x 3
New Mexico Agave	-10°F	1.5 x 2
Palmer Agave	0°F	3 x 4
Parry's Agave	-20°F	3 x 3
Queen Victoria Agave	10°F	1 x 1
Spider Agave	15°F	1-2 x 1-2
Squid Agave	15°F	2 x 2
Twin Flowered Agave	20°F	3 x 3
Variegated Century Plant	15°F	4 x 4 or 10 x 13
Variegated Smooth Agave	25°F	3 x 3
Weber Agave	10°F	5 x 10
Whale's Tongue Agave	5°F	3 x 4



COLD HARDY: CACTUS



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Cactus	Hardy to:	Avg. Mature Size in Feet
Cholla: Tree	10°F	5-8 x 3-4
Fishhook Barrel	0°F	2-5 x 2
Golden Barrel	20°F	2 x 2-3
Indian Fig	20°F	15-10
Ocotillo	10°F	8-20 x 10-12
Prickly Pear: Cow's Tongue	10°F	4-10 x 4-6
Prickly Pear: Englemanns	10°F	5 x 10-15
Prickly Pear: Plains	10°F	1-2 x 1-2
Prickly Pear: Spineless	10°F	3-4 x 6
Prickly Pear: Texas	10°F	3-9 x 5-8