

San Diego Horticultural Society

2012 San Diego County Fair Display Garden

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PLANT LIST

BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME

Aeonium arborescens 'Cabernet'

Aeonium arboreum 'Zwartkop'

Aeonium urbicum 'Salad Bowl'

Aeonium urbicum 'Side Salad'

Agave americana

Cabernet Aeonium

Zwartkop Aeonium

Salad Bowl Aeonium

Side Salad Aeonium

Century Plant

Agave bovicornuta 'Reggae Time'™ Reggae Time™ Agave

Agave parryiParry's AgaveAgave potatorumButterfly Agave

Bougainvillea 'Imperial Delight' Imperial Delight Bougainvillea

Calandrinia grandifloraRock PurslaneConvolvulus cneorumBush Morning GloryCordyline australis 'Red Star'Red Star Cabbage Palm

Cosmos bipinnatus 'White' White Cosmos Dudleya greenei Greene's Dudleva Echeveria 'Afterglow' Afterglow Echeveria Echeveria 'Blue Curls' Blue Curls Echeveria Hen and Chicks Echeveria sp. Echeveria lilacina Ghost Echeveria Gaura lindheimeri White Gaura Helictotrichon sempervirens Blue Oat Grass

Ipomoea batatas ' Bronze'Bronze Sweet Potato VineIpomoea batatas ' Margarita'Margarita Sweet Potato Vine

Lavandula heterophyllaSweet LavenderLeptospermum laevigatumAustralian Tea TreeLeucophyllum frutescens 'White Cloud'White Cloud Texas Sage

Mariana sedifoliaPearl BluebushMelaleuca linariifoliaSnow in SummerPodocarpus elongatus 'Monmal'Icee Blue® Yellow-WoodPilosocereus pachycladusBlue Columnar Cactus

Sempervivum 'Kalinda'Kalinda Hen and ChicksSedum spathulifolium 'Cape Blanco'Cape Blanco StonecropSenecio radicansString of Bananas

Tilandsia sp. Air Plant

Verbena lilacina 'De La Mina' Cedros Island Verbena

Westringia 'Wynyabbie Gem' Wynyabbie Gem Coast Rosemary

Iceberg Rose

Lime Thyme

Zinnia 'Profusion White' Profusion White Zinnia

EDIBLES

Thymus X citridorus 'Lime'

Rosa 'Iceberg'

Fragaria X ananassa Common Strawberry Lycopersicon esculentum 'Boxcar Willie' Boxcar Willie Tomato Lycopersicon esculentum 'Black Krim' **Black Krim Tomato** Lycopersicon esculentum 'Brandywine Red' Brandywine Red Tomato Lycopersicon esculentum 'La Roma' La Roma Tomato Lycopersicon esculentum 'Napa Grape' Napa Grape Tomato Lycopersicon esculentum 'San Diego Red' San Diego Red Tomato Ocimum basilicum 'Italian Purple' Italian Purple Basil Ocimum basilicum Sweet Basil Physalis philadelphica Tomatillo



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GARDEN DESIGNED BY:



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GARDEN INSTALLED BY:

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GARDEN ACCENTS SUPPLIED BY:

Painting - Rachel Harper - beautyfromashesartwork.com
Pottery -

Madd Potter - madpotter.com

Green Thumb Nursery - supergarden.com

Repurposed Door - Katie Gaines - LovePaperPaint.com Succulent Pots Planted by - Chicweed - chicweed.com

Wine bottles - Sunshine Mountain Vineyard - sunshinemountainvineyard.com

GARDEN PLANTS SUPPLIED BY:

Waterwise Botanicals - waterwisebotanicals.com

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In keeping with this year's Fair Garden theme - Cosmic Spaces - garden designer Susanna Pagan has created a celestial garden inspired by Van Gogh's painting Starry Night. Our sustainable garden has a variety of garden features that the average homeowner can recreate in a small yard on a modest budget. The space is ethereal, light and airy and plays on the sky, the moon and the stars. Dappled with white flowering plants, the moon garden uses silvery succulents and grey foliage that reflects the moonlight and contrasts with nearby greens, blues and purples. The color palette - an evening mist white, a star spangled cobalt blue, a twilight sky blue, and glowing green of moon light - beckons the homeowner to relax on the patio, sit back and gaze at the heavens above.



ARTFUL RECYCLING

Art using recycled and repurposed materials plays a big theme in the garden design. A formerly unused door was repurposed as artwork by local artist Katie Gaines of Love Paper Paint (lovepaperpaint.com). A pebble mosaic completing the vignette could easily be recreated from found rocks and marbles. In the front of the exhibit, a repurposed globe structure by Michael Weiss of Wine Country Craftsman (winecountrycraftsman.com), made of recycled wine barrel bands from Napa, serves as a sculptural element and cosmic theme reference. The front winding pathway, lined with empty wine bottles and interspersed islands of repurposed brick, adds a whimsical and practical touch inviting you to enter and explore the garden. For a stunning backdrop for the bistro area, local artist Rachel Harper, of Beauty from the Ashes (beautyfromashesartwork.com), painted a custom piece on recycled materials that features elements of the Cosmic Spaces theme.



GARDEN-FRIENDLY PAVINGS

All of the paving materials were chosen for beauty and permeability. The pathways and patio of gravel allow rainwater to pass through and seep directly into the soil instead of running off into storm sewers. This lessens pollutants entering nearby streams and the ocean and also acts a water reservoir that helps plants produce deep root systems and go longer without supplemental irrigation.



MULCH, MULCH, MULCH

The planted areas of the garden are well mulched using Perennial Mulch, an organic mulch from Agri Service (agriserviceinc.com), to prevent both excessive evaporation of water and heating of the soil. The organic mulch is composed of wood chips, plant cuttings, and similar organic materials. As it breaks down it releases nutrients into the soil and increases the ability of the soil to absorb water. A 2" to 4" layer of mulch helps reduce your water bill while keeping weeds to a minimum - especially if you use a few sheets of newspaper or a layer of cardboard under the mulch.



Plants were chosen not only for beauty and to match the color theme but also for their low water requirements. The garden uses mostly low water trees, shrubs and succulents. High water plants are grouped together, primarily in a small vegetable garden.

All **succulent plants** are water thrifty because they store water in their leaves, stems and/or roots. A huge variety of succulents are available, with foliage in every color of the rainbow from white to coral, gold, lime green, teal blue, and near-black – and everything in between! Succulent leaves can be narrow or broad, flat or bumpy, fuzzy or shiny, and with scalloped or smooth edges. Grown mostly for their leaves, which are usually evergreen, many succulents also have beautiful flowers that can decorate the plant for many months. The succulents have been arranged to show off the different textures, colors, contrasts and repetition that can be created with these versatile plants

California friendly plants – including California natives and plants from other Mediterranean-climate areas similar to ours – usually need little water to thrive because they're well adapted to dry summers. Some do well with watering only once or twice a month during the summer and not at all during our winter rainy season. For most, a once-weekly watering in summer is sufficient. Many also need little, if any, supplemental fertilizer and some do best with none at all.



The San Diego Horticultural Society meets the second Monday of every month from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Surfside Race Place at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Everyone is welcome to attend our friendly meetings, which are free for members and \$10 for non-members. About 350 people come each month, and it's a terrific way to learn from our exciting speakers and talk to fellow gardeners about what's going on in their own gardens. - sdhortsoc.org

