

Water Wise Landscaping



Xeriscape is an attractive, sustainable landscape using sound horticultural practices suitable for Colorado's semi-arid climate. *It is not "Zero-scape".*

Plants are selected that fit a 'Xeric' profile – adapted to Colorado's low annual rainfall fluctuating around 15 inches, summer temperatures over 100 degrees F. and freezing winters below 0 degrees F.

Xeriscaping your yard can lower the amount of water needed for landscaping by up to 60%.

Seven Fundamental Principles of Xeriscape

- Plan and design for water conservation and beauty.
- Create practical turf areas of manageable sizes, shapes and appropriate grasses.
- Select low water plants and group plants of similar water needs together.
- Use soil amendments like compost or manure as needed.
- Use mulches, such as woodchips, to reduce evaporation and to keep the soil cool.
- Irrigate efficiently with properly designed systems.
- Maintain the landscape by mowing, weeding, pruning and fertilizing properly.

Xeriscape Colorado



DidYouKnow?

Kentucky Bluegrass uses 18 gallons of water per square foot each year. Tall fescue and wheatgrasses use 10 and 7 gallons of water per square foot each year, respectively.

