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Sun Perennials for Dry Areas

Our Piedmont soils usually consist of very high clay content. The most important thing you can do for any plant is to amend the soil properly. Please refer to New Garden's guide on [How to Create New Planting Beds and Amend Your Soil](#).

This selection of drought tolerant perennials will do well in our normal climate conditions and during our dryer periods, once established. These plants will thrive given plenty of sun, well-drained soil and water. Don't forget that these plants need to adjust to their surroundings before you totally abandon them to the elements. Remember to water your new plants every three days or so during the hot summer months until they are established.

While many drought tolerant plants thrive in dry conditions, some may look better with occasional watering, though they usually survive without the attention.

Plant	Common Name	Color	Height	Variety
Achillea	yarrow	yellow-red-orange-white	12"-48"	
Armeria	sea pink	pink-white-rose	4"-12"	
Artemesia	wormwood	silvery foliage	6"-48"	
Asclepias	butterfly weed	orange-yellow	2'-3'	A. Tuberosa
Aster	Michaelmas daisy	pink-lavender-blue-white	12"-36"	
Baptisia	false indigo	yellow-purple-blue-bicolor	2'-4'	
Ceratostigma	plumbago	blue	8"-12"	
Chamaemelum	garden or Roman chamomile	white daisies	8"-12"	C. Nobile
Coreopsis	tickseed	yellow-cream-red-bicolor	18"-36"	C. verticillata
Dianthus	pinks	pink-red-white-bicolor	9"-12"	D. gratianopolitanus
Echinacea	purple coneflower	pink-white-yellow-orange-coral	2'-3'	
Echinops	globe thistle	blue	12"-4'	
Gaillardia	blanket flower	yellow-orange-red-bicolor	6"-3'	
Hemerocallis	daylily	every color but blue	18"-40"	
Kniphofia	red hot poker	yellow-orange-red	2'-4'	

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Plant	Common Name	Color	Height	Variety
Lavandula	lavender	blue-lavender	10"-3'	
Liatris	spike gayfeather	white-mauve	2'-4'	
Linum	flax	blue-white	12"-18"	
Liriope	monkeygrass	blue-white	6"-12"	
Malva	mallow	pink	3'-4'	M. alcea fastigiata
Matricaria	German chamomile	white daisies	18"-24"	
Monarda	bee balm	pink-red-coral	24"-48"	
Nepeta	catmint	white-blue	12"-3'	
Panicum	panic grass	ornamental grass	4'-6'	
Penstemon	bearded tongue	red-pink-white-purple-blue	12"-24"	
Perovskia	Russian Sage	blue	24-48"	
Phlox	moss phlox	blue-white-pink	6"-9"	P. subulata
Rudbeckia	black-eyed Susan	yellow-gold	2'-3'	
Salvia	sage	all colors	1'-4'	
Santolina	lavender cotton	yellow	1'-2'	
Saponaria	rock soapwort	pink	6"-9"	S. ocymoides
Sedum	stonecrop	yellow-pink-white	2"-24"	
Solidago	goldenrod	yellow	24-48"	
Stachys	lamb's ear	silvery foliage	12"-15"	
Thermopsis	false lupine	yellow	36"-48"	T. caroliniana
Verbena	verbena	purple-pink-red	6"-12"	

