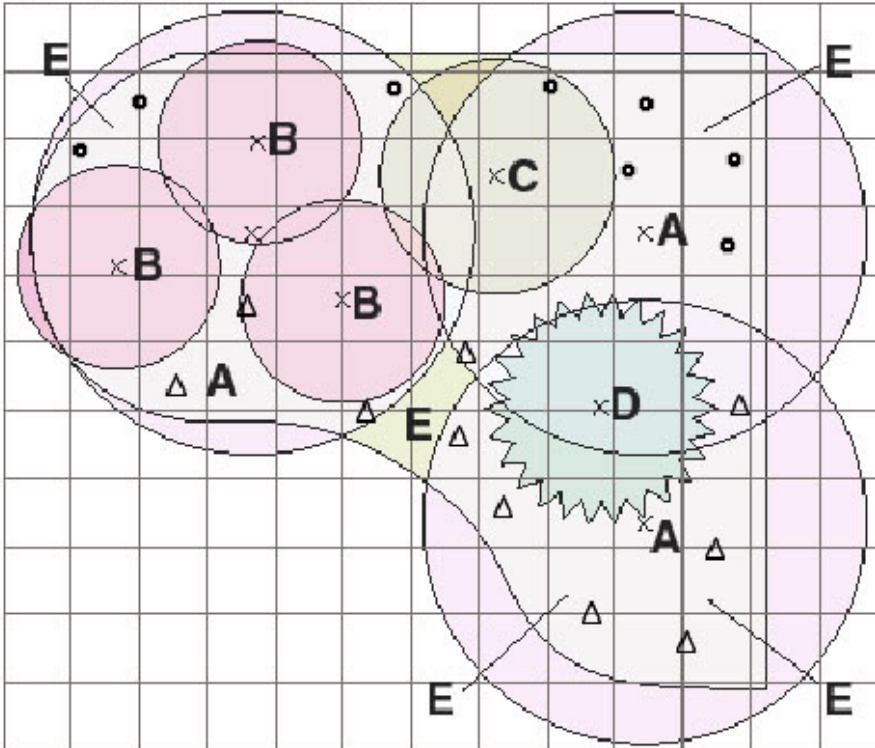


Corner of Shrubs (Better Homes & Gardens)

Trees and shrubs ("woody" plants) are the four-seasons backbone of the landscape. Take any drought tolerant plan from Better Homes & Gardens or Sunset and substitute native plants.

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(BH&G suggested plants)

A Pink Spires Flowering Crabapple Pink blooms are followed by small purple-red fruits; leaves are bronzy green. 15'-20' tall.

B Kelsey Dwarf Dogwood Compact, mounded shape, red stems. 2'-3' tall.

C Blue Mist Fothergilla Honey-scented white blooms, bluish foliage. 4' tall.

D Bird's Nest Spruce Gray-green, globe-shaped evergreen. 3' tall.

E Periwinkle (Vinca minor) evergreen leaves, blue flowers, creeping stems. 6"-12" tall.

Local Native Alternatives (little to no water needed once established plus they provide habitat for wildlife)

A. Western Redbud (*Cercis occidentalis*) Magenta flowers in spring, fall color varies, informal look. 20' tall.

B. Redtwig Dogwood (*Cornus stolonifera*) White flower in spring, red stems in winter.

C. Buck brush (*Ceanothus cuneatus*) fragrant evergreen shrub, flowers vary from blue to white, Mar-May 6'-8'

D. Coyote Brush (*Baccharis pilularis*) White flowering in winter, evergreen 3'-6'

E. **Yerba Buena (*Satureja douglasii*) an evergreen groundcover 12"; with **California fuschia** (*Epilobium canum*) fall flowering 12" and **Wooly sunflower** (*Eriophyllum lanatum*) summer flowering 8" ** if this is a sunny area plant California Poppies or other Wildflowers.

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