



PLANTS FOR PRIVACY SCREENS & PROPERTY BOUNDARIES

Desirable characteristics:

- Moderately sized, but tall enough to meet screening/privacy goals
- Evergreen (retain leaves in the winter)
- Strong root systems to anchor soil in place
- Low-maintenance and/or drought-tolerant when mature
- Native species, or a non-invasive ornamental species
- Provide wildlife benefits.

(Key= **Native** | **Non-native**)

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NATIVE EVERGREEN PLANTS



Pacific wax myrtle

(*Myrica californica*)

Broadleaf evergreen / Size: 10-30 ft / Full Sun to part shade / Well-drained to moist soils; drought tolerant when mature.

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Tall Oregon grape

(*Mahonia aquifolium*)

Size: 3-12 ft / Full sun to part shade/ Moist to well-drained soils, drought tolerant once established.

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Evergreen huckleberry

(*Vaccinium ovatum*)

Size: typ. 4-10 ft / Part to full shade / Moist to moderately dry soils, drought tolerant once established.



Hairy manzanita

(*Arctostaphylos columbiana*)

Evergreen / Size: ~10-15 ft / Full Sun / Dry, well-drained soils; prefers minimal water and care; extremely drought tolerant.



Salal

(*Gaultheria shallon*)

Size: ~3-5 ft / Shade to part shade/ Moist to well-drained soils, drought tolerant once established.



Sword fern

(*Polystichum ovatum*)

Size: typ. to ~4.5 ft / Part to full shade / Moist to moderately dry soils, drought tolerant once established.

NON-NATIVE EVERGREEN PLANTS



Rhododendrons

(*Rhododendron* sp.)

Size: 5-20 ft depending on species / Typ. part sun to shade/ Moderately dry to moist soils. Pollinator-friendly blooms. The native Pacific Rhododendron is also lovely.

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Strawberry tree

(*Arbutus unedo*)

Size: 8-30 ft / Full sun / Well-drained soils, very drought tolerant once established / blooms and fruit feed wildlife / in the same family as Pacific Madrone.



Dwarf cultivars of Western red cedar or other conifers

(*Thuja plicata 'Atrovirens'* or var. *Excelsa*) Many cultivars of the native Western Red Cedar remain small in height. Size: typ 30-45 ft / Part-full sun / Moist to moderately dry soils, drought tolerant as establish. Image: OSU Landscape plants website