

Ornamental Edibles

In the Valley of the Sun

Sometimes you want plants to serve two purposes: something to eat, and something to look at! The following edibles are listed according to the way they are often used as landscape plants:

Trees:

Citrus

Peaches, especially 'Flordaprince'

Almonds, especially 'All-in-One' or 'Garden Prince'

Apricots

Plums, especially 'Satsuma' or 'Hollywood'

Purple-Leaf Plum 'Atropupurea'

Japanese Loquat

Pecans

Pygmy Date Palm

Figs

Shrubs:

Pomegranates

'Navajo' Blackberry

Kumquats

Natal Plum, especially 'Tuttlei'

Dwarf Citrus

Dwarf Peaches

Pineapple Guava

Rosemary

Mexican Oregano

African Blue Basil

Sage, Chaparral

Vines:

Grapes

'Olallie' Blackberry

Boysenberry

Cucumbers, especially Armenian, Oriental, or Lemon

Winter Squash, small types

Edible Gourds (including Luffa)

Tomatoes, especially 'Yellow Pear'

Pole Beans, especially "Yard Long"

Peas, tall kinds

Nasturtium, 'Tall Trailing'

Cantaloupe (with slings on a strong trellis!)

Ground Covers:

Thyme, Caraway-Scented

Rosemary, Trailing

Perennials:

Sage, Pineapple

Mints

Oreganos

Thymes

Scented Geraniums

Garlic Chives

Mexican Tarragon

Strawberries

Artichoke

Asparagus

Chiletepin

Annuals:

Flowering Cabbage or Kale

Kale (regular or red-leaf)

Swiss Chard, especially 'Rhubarb' or 'Bright Lights'

Radicchio

Root Chicory

Red Cabbage

Hot Peppers

Japanese Eggplant

Parsley

Cilantro

Basil (may become a perennial)

Sage, Garden, especially 'Purpurea' or 'Golden'

Mustard, especially curled, feathery, or red-leaf types

Lettuce, especially leaf types

Borage (let some bloom)