

- A SENSATION ROSE SALVIA (9)
- B LAMB'S EAR (6)
- C IRIS (10)
- D RUSSIAN SAGE (3)
- **E** PRAIRIE SKY SWITCHGRASS (3)
- F WHITE BUD MUGO (1)
- G PRAIRIE SNOW POTENTILLA (3)
- H DWARF KOREAN LILAC (3)
- NANKING CHERRY (1)
- J DIABLO NINEBARK (2)
- **K** BLUE CHIP JUNIPER (3)
- L PRINCESS KAY PLUM (1)

Are you considering installing unplanted decorative rock? Consider a budget-friendly living landscape instead. For a modest investment, you can use water-wise plants that grow quickly to create a beautiful yard. You don't even need a sprinkler system. Simply use a drip irrigation system attached to a water spigot. This type of landscape will only cost you \$30 per 1,000 square feet to water for the entire summer. Talk about curb appeal on a tight budget.

Visit our garden at 2855 Mesa Rd. to see this landscape in person or check out csu.org for more information.



Low-Cost landscape tips:

- Free wood chip mulch is available in several locations throughout Colorado Springs.
- Buy smaller plants that will rapidly fill in a space to keep the initial cost low.
- Breeze, which comes in a variety
 of colors, can be used as a low-cost
 material for pathways and seating areas.
- Drip irrigation can be connected to your spigot, thereby saving you from installing an entire sprinkler system.
 You can even use a battery-operated timer to water automatically. Just make sure to disconnect the drip from the spigot for the winter.



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Russian Sage



Blue Chip Juniper



Prairie Sky Switchgrass



Blue Bearded Iris



Prairie Snow Potentilla