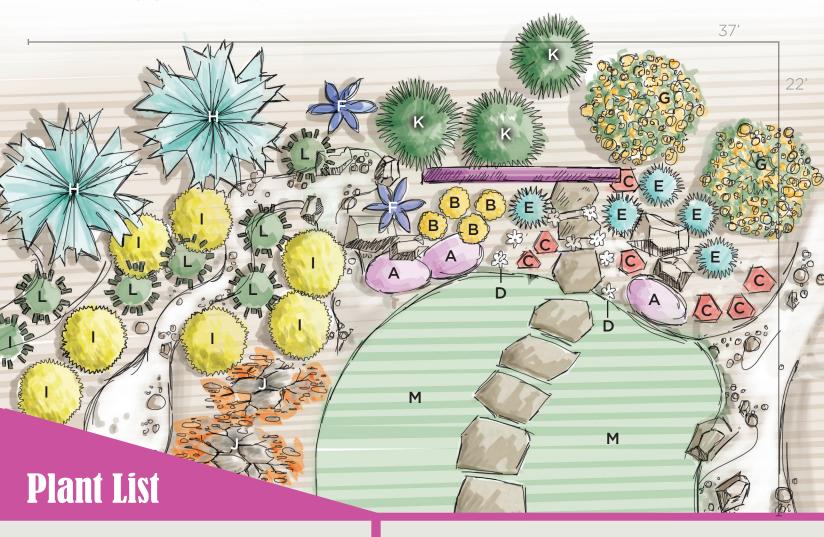
Prairie A landscape design for sandy, windy and dry front yards



- A COLORADO FOUR O'CLOCK (3)
- **B** MOONSHINE YARROW (4)
- C ROCKY MOUNTAIN PENSTEMON (7)
- PUSSEYTOES (8)
- BLUE OAT GRASS (5)
- F BLUE MIST SPIREA (2)
- G HARRISON'S YELLOW ROSE (2)
- H WICHITA BLUE JUNIPER (2)
- BABY BLUE RABBITBRUSH (7)
- J PAWNEE BUTTES SANDCHERRY (2)
- K GIANT SACATON GRASS (3)
- BLONDE AMBITION BLUE GRAMA (7)
- M BLUE GRAMA

It can be challenging to sustain a landscape on a sunny, wind-swept site with sandy soil. That's where prairie plants come to the rescue. This landscape incorporates tough shrubs, flowers and groundcovers that thrive in well-drained soil. Plus, the blue grama lawn uses only half as much water as a traditional lawn. You can mow it twice per month or leave it to grow naturally for a less manicured look.

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



Prairie landscape tips:

- Use blue grama grass for a low-water, low-maintenance lawn. Check out our in-depth guide at csu.org to learn how to install and maintain this amazing native grass.
- Direct the water from your down spouts to your higher wateruse plants.
- Flagstone steppers create a beautiful and informal path that helps protect the lawn from foot traffic.
- Choosing low-water plants like these will save up to 60 percent on your landscape water.
- Shredded wood mulch is best for windy conditions. Apply four inches to retain soil moisture and prevent weeds.



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Blue Grama Grass



Blue Mist Spirea



Colorado Four O'Clock



Moonshine Yarrow



Pusseytoes