

Sunset Inlet Approved Plant List

Plants on the approved plant listed can be planted by Homeowners in established flower beds. If a Homeowner wishes to have a new flower bed or plant something that is not on this list an ARC request is required. HOA is only required to maintain original landscaping by the developer. (Approved 7/21/25)

Turf / Ornamental Grasses

Plant Name	Sunlight Needs	Drought Tolerance	Notes
St. Augustine	Full sun to partial shade	Moderate	Thick-bladed turf; salt-tolerant; popular in Florida

Trees

Plant Name	Sunlight Needs	Drought Tolerance	Notes
Podocarpus	Full sun to partial shade	Moderate	Can be shaped as a tree or hedge; evergreen
Sea Grapes	Full sun to partial shade	High	Coastal hardy; produces fruit and grows well near saltwater
Pineapple Guava	Full sun	Moderate	Edible fruit; gray-green foliage; ornamental and functional

Palms

Plant Name	Sunlight Needs	Drought Tolerance	Notes
Pigmy Date Palm	Full sun to partial shade	Moderate	Slow-growing, low-maintenance palm for smaller spaces
Queen Palm	Full sun	Low to moderate	Tall with graceful fronds; often used for tropical effect

Shrubs

Plant Name	Sunlight Needs	Drought Tolerance	Notes
Arboricola	Partial shade to full sun	Moderate	Glossy foliage; dense and compact
Croton	Full sun for vibrant color	Low to moderate	Bright, colorful foliage; needs protection from cold
Hibiscus	Full sun	Low	Large tropical flowers; attracts pollinators
Indian Hawthorne	Full sun to partial shade	High	Compact; spring blooms; low maintenance
Jatrophas	Full sun	High	Drought-resistant with red blooms; attracts butterflies
Ligustrum	Full sun to partial shade	Moderate	Traditional hedge; can be trimmed into tree form
Sunshine Ligustrum	Full sun	Moderate	Non-flowering; bright yellow foliage; sterile variety

Ground Cover

Plant Name	Sunlight Needs	Drought Tolerance	Notes
Dune Daisy	Full sun	High	Excellent for erosion control; yellow blooms
Emerald Blanket	Full sun to partial shade	High	Hardy flowering ground cover
Liriope	Shade to full sun	Moderate	Grass-like foliage with purple flower spikes
Oyster Plant	Partial shade to shade	Moderate	Purple underside; great color contrast
Juniper	Full sun	High	Evergreen, low-growing; good for slopes

Ground Cover Continued...

Plant Name	Sunlight Needs	Drought Tolerance	Notes
Ice Plant	Full sun	High	Succulent ground cover, excellent for hot/dry areas, fast spreading
Aztec Grass	Partial shade to full sun	Moderate	Variegated ornamental grass, often used as a border plant, low growing

Flowers / Flowering Perennials

Plant Name	Sunlight Needs	Drought Tolerance	Notes
Birds of Paradise	Full sun	Moderate	Exotic orange-blue flowers; upright, tropical look
Bulbine	Full sun	High	Succulent; orange/yellow blooms; pollinator-friendly
Cordyline	Filtered sun to shade	Low	Tropical foliage in reds/pinks/purples
Crown of Thorns	Full sun	High	Thorny succulent; blooms year-round
Crinum Lily	Full sun to partial shade	Moderate	Large, fragrant lily-like flowers
Flax Lily	Full sun to partial shade	High	Red-yellow daisy-like blooms; attracts butterflies
Gaillardia	Full sun	High	
Mexican Petunias	Full sun to partial shade	High	Blooms heavily, spreads easily, attracts butterflies, some types invasive

Bushes

Plant Name	Sunlight Needs	Drought Tolerance	Notes
Pineapple Guava			Bushy form of small tree
Podocarpus			Can be maintained as dense bush
Ligustrum			Classic bush/hedge plant
Indian Hawthorne			Rounded, compact bush form