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#### Make Your

## Landscape Look Good in Winter

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## Plants That Look Great in Winter



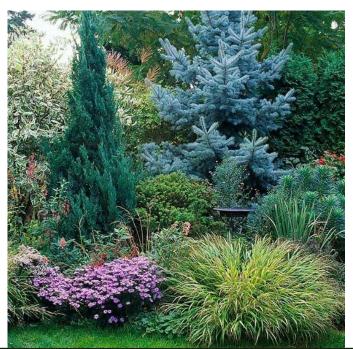
### Enliven Your Winter Pots

- Pots are much colder than the ground in winter
- Subtract two hardiness zones
- Dwarf Alberta spruce is a handsome evergreen that thrives in pots



# Layer Your Landscape

- Trees
- Shrubs
- Groundcovers



# Tree Layer

- Large Trees in a large landscape
- Medium trees in a smaller landscape
- Small trees to fill in



#### Ponderosa Pines

- Ponderosa pines are the signature large canopy tree in the Village.
- Grow to 80' tall and 40' wide.
- Naturally lose lower limbs exposing colorful trunk.



# Planting Beneath

- Ponderosa pines are the best choice if you want to plant beneath
- Lawns
- Flower beds





## Ponderosa Pine Applications

Best canopy tree for planting underneath
Lawns
Shrubs and flowers
Too many are planted to block views.



### **Austrian Pine**

- Similar shape to ponderosa
- Moderate growth to 50'
- Well behaved
- More symmetric than ponderosa when mature



## **Austrian Pine Topiary**

- Austrian pines can be trained into interesting shapes
- Requires annual June pruning to maintain shape.



# Concolor Fir (White Fir)

- Beautiful conical shape
- Retains branches to the ground
- to the ground
  Moderate growth to 60'
- Needs moderate water



### Christmas Tree

- Concolor fir makes a great Christmas tree.
- Light pruning in June to maintain shape.
- Make sure you have room for its eventual size.



# Pinyon Pine

- Beautiful bushy form
- Slow growth to 20'
- Less likely to block views
- Very drought tolerant once established
- Good for screening



## Shrub Layer

Mid-layer is a big opportunity to add winter interest

- Conifers
- Broadleaf evergreens Ornamental grasses Deciduous shrubs

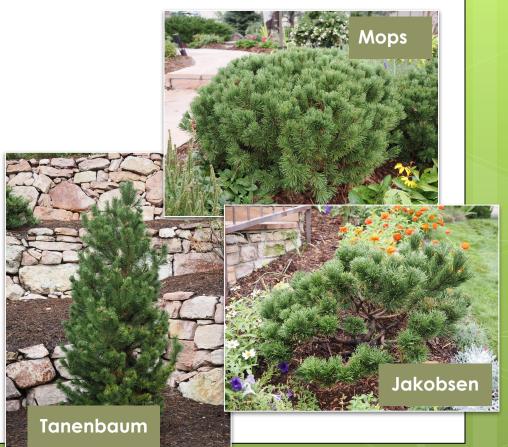


## Conifer Shrubs

# Mugo Pines

Wide variety of shapes and sizes

- Low growing 'slowmound' and 'mops'
- Many intermediate forms 4-8' height and width
- Small tree like 'Tanenbaum'



## Globe Blue Spruce

- Beautiful blue color in well behaved spherical shape.
- Easily trained / pruned
- Not currently on Village approved plant list.



## Junipers

- Range from spreading ground cover, to medium bushes, to small trees
- Highly Flammable
- Pruning can drastically change form.
- Drought tolerant



# Broad-leaf Evergreens

# Oregon Grape Holly

- Foliage is deep red in winter, bronze new growth, green summer
- Tolerates shade
- Mahonia aquifolium



#### Manzanita

- Many varieties from low growing to large bushes.
- Drought tolerant.
- Looks great in a natural setting or against rock walls.
- Panchito manzanita is particularly attractive.



## Wintercreeper

- Low-growing bushes
- Different leaf patterns and colors
- Desperate deer will eat







### Ornamental Grasses

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- Lots of varieties with an annual cycle
- cycle
  Golden foliage
  looks good in
  winter
- Annual shearing in spring



#### Blue Fescue

- Small clumping grass
- Keeps blue color year-round
- Makes a great border



## Deciduous Shrubs

# Red Twig Dogwood

- Bright red stems look great against snow
- Newest stems have the most red
- Also yellow twig dogwood



## Groundcovers

# Creeping Oregon Grape

- Low growing
- Looks better in natural landscapes
- Mahonia repens



# Low-growing Juniper

- Flammable, not suitable close to the house
- Several low growing varieties



## Art

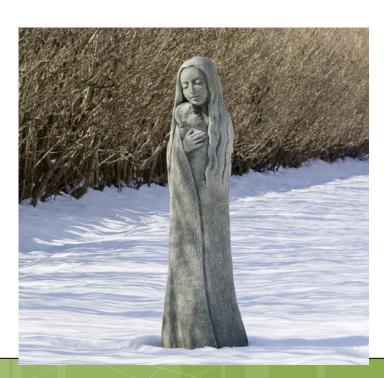


### **Art Considerations**

- Formal or informal
- Scale
- Placement



## Formal to Abstract





## Static or Kinetic





### Functional or Decorative?





# My Favorite Store for Art







Holiday Decorations



## Halloween







# Holiday Decoration Rules

- Any national, local, or religious celebration
- No more than 45 days prior to and removed no more than 21 days after
- Lights out at 11 PM



# Thanks for Listening