



October Plant Spotlight

Sage (Salvia)

Salvias are a large group of over 1000 garden plants that include annuals, biennials, perennials, and various shrub types. The perennial type which is a common site here at Stanford as well as today's popular drought tolerant gardens come in various forms. Popular varieties here on campus include the Dark Dancer variety (deep red flowers) as well as the Indigo Spires type (deep blue purple flowers). Salvia has a wide array of uses ranging from the common cooking type herb, cut flowers for arrangements as well as medicinal uses depending on sub species. An overall drought tolerant plant that flourishes in full sun, the flowering perennial type will bloom throughout summer and into early fall with little water once established.



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