



Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation

Native Florida Plants for Upland Communities

Upland Communities are defined as areas that rarely flood, get less rain than other parts of the island, and have extremely sandy soil. Examples of upland areas on Sanibel are: West Rocks, East Rocks, Gumbo Limbo & along West Gulf Drive.

Large Trees

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Light Requirements</u>
Crabwood	<i>Gymnanthes lucida</i>	20'-30'	full sun to part shade
Gumbo Limbo	<i>Bursera simaruba</i>	up to 40'	full sun to part shade
Jamaica Dogwood	<i>Piscidia piscipula</i>	30'-50'	full sun to part shade
Live Oak	<i>Quercus virginiana</i>	up to 50'	full sun to part shade
Mahogany	<i>Swietenia mahagoni</i>	up to 50'	full sun to part shade
Mastic	<i>Sideroxylon foetidissimum</i>	50'-70'	full sun to part shade
Paradise Tree	<i>Simarouba glauca</i>	40'-50'	full sun to part shade
Pigeon Plum	<i>Coccoloba diversifolia</i>	20'-40'	full sun to part shade
Pitch Apple	<i>Clusia rosea</i>	up to 30'	full sun to part shade
Red Bay	<i>Persea borbonia</i>	40'-50'	full sun to part shade
Sea Grape	<i>Coccoloba uvifera</i>	25'-30'	full sun to part shade
Silver Buttonwood	<i>Conocarpus erectus</i> 'Silver'	20'-30'	full sun to light shade
South Florida Slash Pine	<i>Pinus elliottii</i> variety <i>densa</i>	30'-60'	full sun to light shade
Southern Red Cedar	<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>	25'-50'	full sun to light shade
Strangler Fig	<i>Ficus aurea</i>	40'-60'	full sun to part shade
Wild Tamarind	<i>Lysiloma latisiliquum</i>	40'-60'	full sun to part shade

Small Trees & Shrubs

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Light Requirements</u>
Bahama Cassia	<i>Senna mexicana</i> variety <i>chapmanii</i>	2'-5'	full sun to light shade
Bahama Coffee	<i>Psychotria ligustrifolia</i>	3'-6'	part sun to full shade
Bay Cedar	<i>Suriana maritima</i>	10'-15'	full sun to part shade
Beauty Berry	<i>Callicarpa americana</i>	4'-6'	full sun to part shade
Black Ironwood	<i>Krugiodendron ferreum</i>	15'-25'	full sun to part shade
Blackbead	<i>Pithecellobium keyense</i>	up to 20'	full sun to light shade
Bloodberry	<i>Cordia globosa</i>	6'-8'	full sun to light shade
Buckthorn	<i>Sideroxylon celastrinum</i>	10'-30'	light shade to part shade

Cat's Claw	<i>Pithecellobium unguis-cati</i>	10'-15'	full sun to part shade
Cocoplum	<i>Chrysobalanus icaco</i>	10'-15'	full sun to part shade
Coral Bean	<i>Erythrina herbacea</i>	10'-15'	full sun to deep shade
Dull Leaf Coffee	<i>Psychotria sulzneri</i>	4'-8'	light shade to deep shade
Fiddlewood	<i>Citharexylum spinosum</i>	15'-20'	full sun to part shade
Firebush	<i>Hamelia patens</i>	8'-10'	full sun to part shade
Inkberry	<i>Scaevola plumieri</i>	2'-5'	full sun
Joewood	<i>Jacquinia keyensis</i>	10'-20'	full sun to full shade
Lignum Vitae	<i>Guaiacum sanctum</i>	up to 25'	full sun to light shade
Marlberry	<i>Ardisia escallonioides</i>	up to 20'	part shade to full shade
Myrsine	<i>Rapanea punctata</i>	15'-20'	full sun to full shade
Necklace Pod	<i>Sophora tomentosa</i> variety <i>truncata</i>	8'-10'	full sun to light shade
Seven-Year Apple	<i>Genipa clusiifolia</i>	8'-10'	full sun to part shade
Simpson Stopper	<i>Myrcianthes fragrans</i>	15'-25'	full sun to part shade
Snowberry	<i>Chiococca alba</i>	10'-15'	full sun to full shade
Spanish Bayonet	<i>Yucca aloifolia</i>	3'-8'	full sun to part shade
Spanish Stopper	<i>Eugenia foetida</i>	12'-15'	full sun to part shade
Sweet Acacia	<i>Acacia farnesiana</i>	10'-12'	full sun to part shade
Varnish Leaf	<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i>	6'-12'	full sun to light shade
Wild Coffee	<i>Psychotria nervosa</i>	5'-10'	part sun to full shade
Wild Cotton	<i>Gossypium hirsutum</i>	6'-12'	full sun to part shade
Wild Lime	<i>Zanthoxylum fagara</i>	12'-25'	full sun to part shade

Palms

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Light Requirements</u>
Cabbage/Sabal Palm	<i>Sabal palmetto</i>	50'-60'	full sun to part shade
Dwarf Palmetto	<i>Sabal minor</i>	up to 6'	full sun to full shade
Green Saw Palmetto	<i>Serenoa repens</i>	6'-8'	full sun to part shade
Green Thatch Palm	<i>Thrinax radiata</i>	15'-20'	full sun to part shade
Needle Palm	<i>Rhapidophyllum hystrix</i>	5'-6'	light shade to full shade
Royal Palm	<i>Roystonea regia</i>	up to 75'	full sun to part shade
Scrub Palmetto	<i>Sabal etonia</i>	3'-5'	full sun to part shade
Silver Saw Palmetto	<i>Serenoa repens</i> 'Silver'	6'-8'	full sun to part shade

Wildflowers & Groundcovers

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Light Requirements</u>
Ambrosia	<i>Ambrosia hispida</i>	up to 1'	full sun
Bay Bean	<i>Canavalia rosea</i>	vines to 10'	full sun
Beach Morning Glory	<i>Ipomoea imperati</i>	6-12 inches	full sun
Blue Porterweed	<i>Stachytarpheta jamaicensis</i>	up to 2'	full sun to part shade
Camphor Daisy	<i>Heterotheca subaxillaris</i>	up to 2'	full sun
Coontie	<i>Zamia pumila</i>	2'-3'	full sun to full shade

Dune Sunflower	<i>Helianthus debilis</i>	18 inches-2'	full sun
Gaillardia	<i>Gaillardia pulchella</i>	1'-2'	full sun
Golden Creeper	<i>Ernodea littoralis</i>	2'-3'	full sun to part shade
Horsemint	<i>Monarda punctata</i>	2'-5'	full sun to part shade
Ironweed	<i>Vernonia gigantea</i>	4'-6'	full sun to part shade
Lyreleaf Sage	<i>Salvia lyrata</i>	1'-2' flower spike	full sun to part shade
Railroad Vine	<i>Ipomoea pes-caprae</i>	spreads 10'-15'	full sun
Matchweed	<i>Phyla nodiflora</i>	2-5 inches	full sun to part shade
Mimosa	<i>Mimosa strigillosa</i>	4-6 inches	full sun to part shade
Prickly Pear	<i>Opuntia humifusa</i>	2'-3'	full sun to light shade
Red Salvia	<i>Salvia coccinea</i>	1'-3'	full sun to light shade
Sea Coast Marsh Elder	<i>Iva imbricata</i>	2'-3'	full sun
Sea Oxeye Daisy	<i>Borrchia frutescens</i>	up to 3'	full sun to part shade
Seaside Goldenrod	<i>Solidago sempervirens</i>	3'-5'	full sun to light shade
Spiderwort	<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>	up to 2'	full sun to part shade
Tampa Verbena	<i>Glandularia tampensis</i>	18 inches to 2'	part sun to part shade

Vines

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Light Requirements</u>
Coral Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	climbs 10'-15'	full sun to part shade
Corkystem Passionvine	<i>Passiflora suberosa</i>	climbs 10'-15'	full sun to full shade
Jacquemontia	<i>Jacquemontia pentanthos</i>	climbs 6'-12'	full sun to part shade
Maypop	<i>Passiflora incarnata</i>	climbs to 10'	full sun to light shade

Grasses

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Light Requirements</u>
Bitter Panic Grass	<i>Panicum amarum</i>	1'-4'	full sun
Elliott's Love Grass	<i>Eragrostis elliottii</i>	1'-2'	full sun to light shade
Muhly Grass	<i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i>	2'-4'	full sun to part shade
Purple Love Grass	<i>Eragrostis spectabilis</i>	1'-2'	full sun
Sea Oats	<i>Uniola paniculata</i>	3'-5'	full sun

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