

Accent plants:

Aquatic and water-garden marginals:

Acorus, especially Ogon

Carex varieties (sedges)

Cyperus (papyrus)

Equisetum (horsetail; containers only!)

Herbaceous border monocots:

Hemerocallis (daylilies; well-known dwarf variety is Stella d'Oro)

Iris

Kniphofia (Red hot poker; one shorter variety is Little Maid)

Liriope (Turf lily)

Tulbaghia violacea (Society garlic; variegated is Silver Lace)

Bold-textured larger (usually) monocots:

Cordylines (check hardiness zones)

Phormiums (dwarf varieties include Chocolate Baby @ 3', Surfer @ 1')

Grasses:

Festuca (fescues)

Examples: F. cinerea 'Elijah Blue'; idahoensis 'Tomales Bay'

Nassella/Stipa

Examples: S. tenuissima (reseeds), lessingiana 'Capriccio'

Bamboos for accent:

Pleioblastus viridistriatus (runner)

Hibanobambusa tranquillans Shiroshima (runner)

Bambusa multiplex Eddie Gaedel (clumper)

Succulents:

Aloe Johnson's Hybrid

Many interesting, attractive aloes. Check hardiness zones.

Beschorneria yuccoides (there is a variegated variety)

Hesperaloe parviflora (called the Red yucca or Hummingbird yucca)

All the advantages of yuccas, without the thorns!

Ferns and fernlike plants:

Asparagus Meyer (foxtail asparagus)

Nephrolepis cordifolia (sword fern)