

Flower common & botanical names	Time to First Bloom (days from seed)	Height (inches unless noted other)	Light Needs	Difficulty	Water Needs	Special Characteristics										Colors							Planting & Flowering Guide																											
						Lures:										BLUE	PURPLE	RED	PINK	ORANGE	YELLOW	WHITE	Jan		Feb		Mar		Apr		May		Jun		Jul		Aug		Sep		Oct		Nov		Dec					
						Hummingbirds	Seed-eating Birds	Butterflies	Edible	Good Cut Flower	Good For Drying	Wildflower ✓	Reseeds	Fragrance	1								15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	
Stock (A) <i>Matthiola incana</i>	150	12-24	B	E	MH						X					X	X	X	X			X	X	P	P			F	F	F	F	F	F							P	P	P	P	P	P					
Strawflower (A) <i>Helichrysum bracteatum</i>	150	12-36	B	D	L						X	X							X	X	X	X	X	P	P	P	P	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Sunflower (A) <i>Helianthus annuus</i>	90	36-60	B	E	M	X	X	X	X										X	X	X	X	X			P	P	P	P	P	P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F	F	F	F	F	F							
Sweet Alyssum (A) <i>Lobularia maritima</i>	30	6-12	BP	E	MH			X								X	X						X	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P					
Sweet Peas (A) <i>Lathyrus odoratus</i>	120	12-72	B	E	H						X					X	X	X	X	X		X	X	P	P	F/P	F/P	F	F	F	F	F	F	F									P	P	P	P	P	P		
Sweet Sultan (A) <i>Centaurea moschata</i>	150	30-36	B	E	M						X					X	X		X		X	X			F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F									P	P	P	P	P				
Verbena (A) <i>Verbena peruviana</i>	120	6-8	B	E	M												X	X	X				X			F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	P	P	P	P	P		
Verbena (A) <i>Verbena gooddingii</i>	120	8-18	B	E	L			X				X	X				X		X					P	P	P	P	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Violet (A) <i>Viola spp.</i>	135	4-6	P	E	M				X																	F	F	F	F	F	F												P	P	P	P				
Wild Hyssop (P) <i>Agastache spp.</i>	90-210	24-36	BP	M	LM	X						X	X			X	X	X		X						P	P	P	P					F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F					
Yarrow (P) <i>Achillea spp.</i>	30	12-24	B	E	L			X		X	X	X							X	X		X	X			P	P	P	P			F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F			P	P	P	P			
Zinnia (A) <i>Zinnia elegans</i>	30	4-30	B	E	M			X		X							X	X	X	X	X	X	X					P	P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F/P	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F				

- ✓ Note: "Wildflowers", in this chart, refers to native annuals and other plants which are easily grown from seed and can naturalize by reseeding.
- ✓✓ Note: Many plants that are considered perennial in other growing climates, perform better as annuals in the low desert.

Plant Type	Light Needs	Difficulty	Water Needs	Notes	Planting & Flowering Key
A = Annual - blooms & dies in one season ✓✓ B = Biennial - blooms & dies in second season P = Perennial - Blooms more than two seasons	B = Bright Full Sun P = Partial Sun S = Shade	E = Easy to grow M = Moderately easy to grow D = Difficult to grow	H = High Water Use M = Moderate Water Use L = Low Water Use	* = Foliage Plant ** = Poisonous *** = Very Difficult	P = Planting Months F = Flowering Months L = Colorful Foliage/Fruit