

# Barrio Garden



A small gardener's garden, this barrio-inspired landscape reflects a traditional sense of place where family and heritage guide the growing of plants that nurture both body and spirit. Often hidden behind sheltering walls, these gardens remain an integral part of Tucson's Hispanic cultures. Generations of families and neighbors gather to celebrate the milestones of their lives, as well as conduct the daily routines of cooking, eating, and sleeping in these protected, green spaces.

The signature plants of these gardens are species that are easily cultivated and propagated, shared amongst neighbors or given as gifts. Species such as citrus, fig, and pomegranate are for eating; chilies are for spice; basil, cilantro, and tarragon are for seasoning; chamomile, epazote, and lemongrass heal the body; and, iris, marigolds, and roses are grown simply for the love of flowers.

From a design standpoint, the formal arrangement of the space is secondary to the usefulness of its layout. What may appear to be a haphazard arrangement of plants and hardscape is actually an instinctual design with a functional basis.

For all who love their gardens and the day-to-day interaction with their plants, this garden is more than just a place, it is a story that only unfolds over time.

## Hardscape

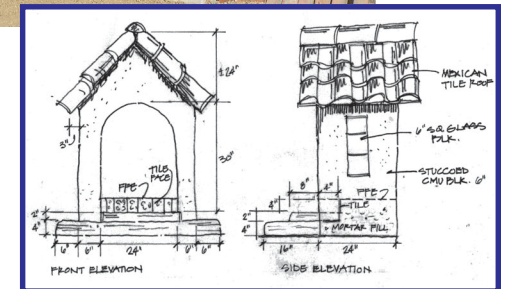
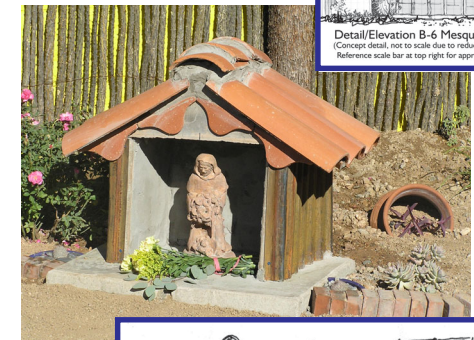
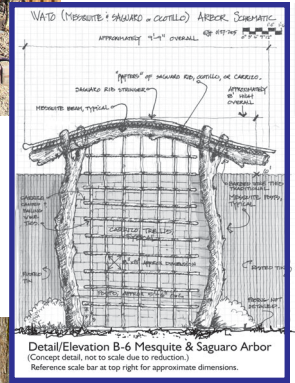
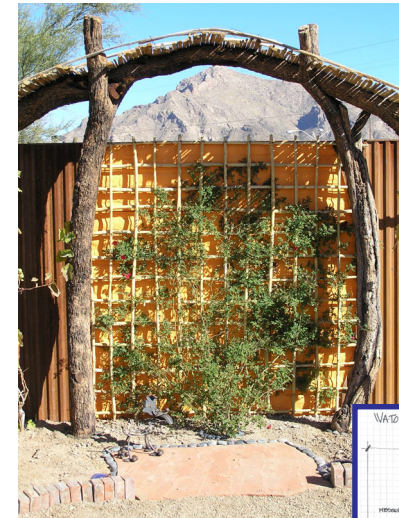
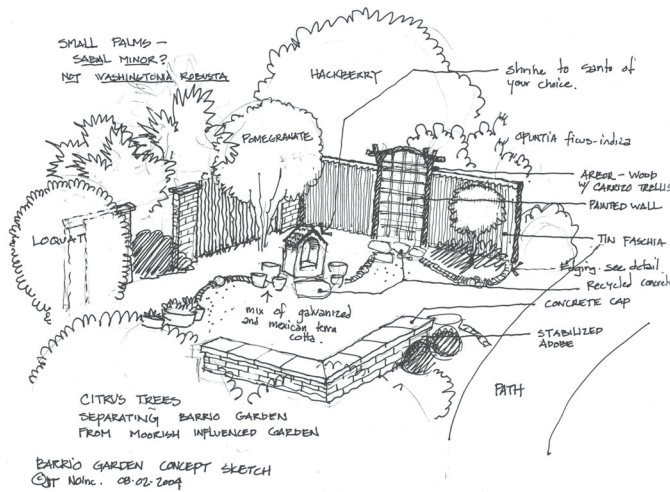
- Concrete walls of 4x4x16 slump block (*Old Pueblo Brown AZ Block 2000*)
- Fascia of corrugated, rusted tin sheeting (rusted using a mild muriatic acid wash)
- Wall colors: *Summer Sunrise and Tango Orange* (Dunn Edwards)
- Mesquite posts supporting ocotillo fencing (*Old Pueblo Adobe*)
- Arbor constructed of mesquite posts and saguaro ribs (*Old Pueblo Adobe*)

- Stabilized mud adobe seat wall with poured, tinted concrete cap (*San Diego Buff*)

- Shrine of recycled concrete (from the benches of the former Haunted Bookshop), corrugated tin sheeting, and clay roof tiles
- Mixed media paving of stabilized decomposed granite — ¼" minus on

pathways, ¾" minus unstablized in planting beds (*Tucson Rose, Kalamazoo Materials, Inc.*); planting bed edgers of recycled brick

- Assorted planting containers
- *Sunflower* sculpture of recycled metal by Ned Egen



- Statue of St. Fiacre, one of the patron saints of gardeners (*Kaviik's Accents*)
- Wall inset and freestanding landscape lighting (*FX Lighting, Ewing Irrigation*)

# Barrio Garden Plant List

Map Location	Botanical Name	Common Name(s)	Typical Height x Width	Landscape Use	Secondary Use	Lowest Water Use	Medium Water Use	Highest Water Use	TCP Greenhouse
7	Agave murphyii	Murphy's agave	4 x 4	SU	GC	L			✓
9	Ageratum corymbosum	Desert ageratum	1 x 1.5	GC	P		M	H	✓
10	Aloe barbadensis	Aloe vera, Sabila	1.5 x 3	SU	GC		M	H	✓
20	Antigonon leptopus 'Baja Red'	Baja red queenswreath, San Miguelito	20 x 3	V	GC		M	H	✓
26	Arundo donax	Giant reed, Carrizo	12 x 6	G	A		M	H	✓
28	Asclepias linaria	Pineleaf milkweed	2 x 3	SH		L	M		✓
43	Brahea armata	Mexican blue palm	30 x 10	PA	A		M	H	✓
44	Brahea elegans	Elegant palm	6 x 6	PA	A		M	H	✓
47	Caesalpinia pumila	Copperleaf caesalpinia	10 x 10	SH		L	M		✓
58	Cercidium microphyllum	Foothill palo verde	12 x 15	T		L			✓
64	Citrus 'Improved Meyer' dwarf	Dwarf improved Meyer lemon	8 x 8	SH				H	
65	Citrus 'Moro' dwarf	Dwarf blood orange	8 x 8	SH				H	
67	Cydonia oblonga 'Samara'	Quince	15 x 15	T			M		
68	Cymbopogon citratus	Lemongrass, Te de Limon	3 x 3	G	A			H	
70	Dalea frutescens 'Sierra Negra'	Black dalea	3 x 5	SH		L	M		✓
76	Dasyliion wheeleri	Desert spoon	5 x 6	SU	A	L	M		✓
85	Eupatorium greggii	Gregg's fuffflower	1 x 2	GC	WF		M	H	✓
90	Ficus carica 'Nero Caesar'	Nero Caesar fig	15 x 20	T	SH			H	
96	Graptopetalum paraguayense	Ghost plant	0.5 x 3	SU	GC	L	M		✓
98	Guayacan coulteri	Blue creosote	5 x 5	SH		L	M		
104	Hippeastrum cultivars	Amaryllis hybrids	2 x 2	P	B			H	
107	Iris persica cultivars	Bearded iris hybrids	2 x 2	P	B		M	H	
118	Mahonia haematocarpa	Red algerita	10 x 8	SH			M	H	✓
129	Muhlenbergia rigens	Deergrass	3 x 5	G			M	H	✓
130	Narcissus tazetta cultivars	Narcissus hybrids, Narciscos	1 x 1	P	B		M	H	
134	Opuntia ficus-indica	Indian fig prickly pear, Tuna, Nopal	10 x 6	C	A	L	M		✓
136	Passiflora byronoides	Hardy passionflower	15 x 15	V		L	M		✓
148	Plumbago auriculata 'Royal Blue'	Blue plumbago	4 x 6	SH	V		M	H	
149	Plumbago scandens	Summer snow	4 x 4	GC	P		M	H	✓
151	Passiflora foetida	Stinky passionflower, Love-in-a-mist	15 x 15	V			M	H	
154	Punica granatum cultivar	Edible pomegranate	12 x 12	SH	T		M	H	
156	Quercus oblongifolia	Mexican blue oak	30 x 30	T		L	M		

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160	Rosa 'Climbing red cascade'	Climbing miniature red rose	15 x 6	V			M		
162	Rosa 'Hansa'	Hansa floribuda rose	3 x 3	SH				H	
166	Rosmarinus officinalis 'Tuscan blue'	Upright rosemary	5 x 2	SH		L	M		
168	Ruellia brittoniana 'Katie'	Dwarf purple ruellia	1 x 2	P	GC		M	H	✓
173	Sabal minor	Dwarf palmetto	10 x 10	PA	A		M	H	✓
182	Salvia greggii	Autumn sage	3 x 3	SH			M	H	✓
191	Senna purpusii	No common name	4 x 5	SH			M	H	✓
192	Setcreasea purpurea pallida	Purple heart, Alas de Angel	1 x 4	GC	CN	L	M		✓
201	Tecoma stans stans	Trumpet bush	8 x 8	SH			M	H	✓
206	Telosiphonia brachysiphon	Rock trumpet	1 x 3	GC	CN		M	H	✓
210	Vitus vinifera 'Thompson's seedless'	Thompson's seedless grape	15 x 15	V			M		✓
215	Zephyranthes candida	Rainlily, mayito	1 x 1	P	GC		M	H	✓



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