

**BEAR ISLAND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**APPROVED PLANT LIST**

**PALMS AND TREES**

**HOA Requirement: One tree or palm in each front yard**

**HOA Recommended: Two trees or palms in each front yard**

**Blue or Red Latan Palm  
Cabbage Palm  
Carpentaria Palm  
Christmas Palm  
Florida Thatch Palm  
Japanese Fern Tree  
MacArthur Palm  
Montgomery Palm  
Purple Tabebuia  
Pygmy Date Palm  
Wild Cinnamon**

**Latania loddigesii or Latania lontaroides  
Sabal Palmetto  
Carpentaria acuminata  
Adonidia merrillii or Veitchia merrillii  
Thrinax radiata  
Filicium decipiens  
Ptychosperma macarthurii  
Veitchia arecina  
Tabebuia impetiginosa  
Phoenix roebelenii  
Canella winterana**

**STREET OR SWALE TREES**

**Allspice  
Dahoon Holly  
Queen's Crape Myrtle**

**Pinenta dioica  
Ilex cassine  
Lagerstroemia speciosa**

**LARGE SHRUBS**

**Recommended: Hide medium to large utility equipment and use as border or hedge plants along blank walls.**

**Sunny-Partly Shady sites**

**Cooperleaf  
Dazzle Schefflera  
Dwarf Schefflera (tolerates shade too)  
Firebush (tolerates shade too)  
Green Buttonwood  
Ixora - don't plant next to house foundation  
Podocarpus  
Red Stopper  
Sweet Viburnum  
Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow**

**Acalypha wilkesiana  
Schefflera arboricola 'Dazzle'  
Schefflera arboricola  
Hamelia patens  
Conocarpus erectus  
Iroca coccinia  
Podocarpus macrophylla  
Eugenia rhombea  
Viburnum odoratissimum  
Brunfelsia grandiflora**

**Shady Sites**

**Crepe Jasmine  
Fiddlewood  
Florida Privet  
Ti Plant  
Wild Coffee**

**Tabernaemontana divaricate  
Citharexylum spinosum  
Forestiera segregate  
Cordyline fruitcosa  
Psychotria nervosa**

## **LARGE ACCENT OR LARGE ORNAMENTAL**

**Recommended: Ornamental shrubs or plants could be added between windows and/or at building corners to soften the blank wall spaces and add dimension and height to the landscape. These plants should mostly be single trunks or pruned as such.**

Crepe Jasmine  
European Fan Palm (thorny)  
Hibiscus Tree  
Indian Hawthorn ‘Majestic Beauty’  
Jamaican Caper  
Japanese Blueberry Tree  
Jatropha  
Lady Palm (shade only)  
Purple Glory Tree  
Strawberry Guava  
Wild Cinnamon Bark

Tabernaemontana divaricate  
Chamaerops humilis  
spp.  
Raphiolepis ‘Montic’  
Capparis cynophallaphora  
Elaeocarpus decipiens  
Jatropha integerrima  
Rhapis excels  
Tibouchina granulosa  
Psidium Littorale  
Canella winterana

## **MEDIUM SHRUBS**

**Recommended: Ornamental shrubs to be used as foundation plantings and between windows and/or at building corners and to hide smaller utility boxes.**

### Sunny-Partly Shady sites

Bromelaid (appropriately sized varieties  
For either sun or shade)  
Cocoplum  
Croton – small leafed varieties

Dwarf Allamanda  
Dwarf Copperplant Varieties

Eugenia  
Green Island Ficus (tolerates shade too)  
Hibiscus  
Ilex Schilling  
Natal Plum (thorns)  
Pittisporum  
\*Podocarpus  
Wax Jasmine  
Walter’s Viburnum (tolerates shade too)  
Yaupon Holly

Aechmea ‘Del Mar’, Neoregelia ‘Bossa  
Nova’, Vriesea fosteriana ‘Red Chestnut’  
Chrysobalanus icaco  
Codiaeum ‘Batik’, ‘Gold Dust’, ‘Picasso’s  
Paintbrush’, ‘Zanzibar’ or ‘Mammy’  
Allamanda schottii  
Acalypha wilkesiana ‘Blaze’, ‘Mardi Gras’  
or ‘Inferno’  
Eugenia myrtifolia  
Ficus microcarpa ‘Green Island’  
spp.  
Ilex vomitoria  
Carissa macrocarpa  
Pittisporum tobria  
Podocarpus macrophylla  
Jasminum Volubile  
Viburnum obovatum  
Ilex vomitoria

### Shady sites

Cast Iron Plant

Aspidistra elatior

## **GROUND COVER**

**Recommended:** These plants may be used as borders or as a second, very low layer. Place seasonal color plants as this layer. Some may be used as a turf substitute.

### **Sunny-Partly Shady sites**

**Emerald Blanket**

**Fireball Bromelaid**

**Perennial Peanut (full sun only, turf substitute)**

**Sunshine Mimosa (turf substitute)**

**Carissa ‘Emerald Blanket’**

**Neoregelia ‘Fireball’**

**Arachis glabrata**

**Mimosa strigillosa**

### **Shady sites**

**Asiatic Jasmine (tolerates sun, turf substitute)**

**Trachelospermum asiaticum, many varieties, some with variegated leaves including ‘Summer Sunset’, ‘Tricolor’, and ‘Variegata’**

**Liripoe**

**Peperomia**

**Liriope spp.**

**Peperomia obtusifolia**

### **SOD**

**We recommend not using St. Augustine Floratam grass as it is susceptible to Lethal Viral Necrosis (LVN). There are other St. Augustine grass varieties that are not as susceptible to LVN and we would recommend you discuss it with either our community landscaper or your own prior to completing an ACC application for new sod. [Cooperative Extension - Environmental Horticulture Lethal Viral Necrosis of St. Augustinegrass \(pbcgov.org\)](http://Cooperative Extension - Environmental Horticulture Lethal Viral Necrosis of St. Augustinegrass (pbcgov.org))**

***Note:*** Many of the plants on the approved list are considered Florida Friendly.

***Note:*** Ground cover must be mulch, sod, soil, or any approved ground cover plants. No rocks or landscape stones are permitted.

***Note:*** Please be mindful of your neighbor’s easement for maintaining their home when planting shrubs and trees.<sup>i</sup>

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