



# Seasonal Color Combinations with Desert Adapted Plants

## Fall

By fall, many plants need a rest. However, look for these fall bloomers to carry your landscape into the winter months with a splash of color.

- **Autumn Sage (*Salvia greggii*) & Mt. Lemmon Marigold (*Tagetes palmeri*).** Two fall blooming desert shrubs make a dazzling combination with the red to magenta flowers of Autumn Sage in marked contrast to the intense yellow flowers of Mt. Lemmon Marigold. This is an excellent rabbit resistant combination.
- **Hummingbird Trumpet (*Zauschneria californica*) & Prairie Zinnia (*Zinnia grandiflora*).** A late summer and early fall Arizona native perennial and groundcover combination. The iridescent red flowers of Hummingbird Trumpet stand out in contrast with the yellow flowers of ground covering Prairie Zinnia.
- **Mexican Bird of Paradise (*Caesalpinia mexicana*) & Pink Muhly (*Muhlenbergia capillaris*).** The brilliant yellow flowers of the shrubby to treelike Mexican Bird of Paradise provide the dramatic background for burgundy-red flower display of Pink Muhly.
- **Black Dalea (*Dalea frutescens*) & Turpentine Bush (*Ericameria laricifolia*).** The brilliant reddish-violet flowers of Black Dalea provide stunning contrast to the yellow flowers of Turpentine Bush.
- **Cape Honeysuckle (*Tecomaria capensis*) & Turpentine Bush (*Ericameria laricifolia*).** The glossy green leaves and bright orange flowers of this South African shrub combine beautifully with the yellow flowers and dark green foliage of Turpentine Bush.
- **Pink Trumpet Vine (*Podranea ricasoliana*) & Mexican Bird of Paradise (*Caesalpinia mexicana*).** The glossy green leaves and lavender-pink flowers on this South African sprawling vine contrast beautifully with the bright yellow flower clusters of the Mexican Bird of Paradise.
- **Pink Muhly (*Muhlenbergia capillaris*) & Pink Trumpet Vine (*Podranea ricasoliana*).** Combine these two for an amazing fall display. The burgundy-red flower spikes of the Pink Muhly will provide a blended accent to the lavender-pink flowers of the Pink Trumpet Vine.
- **Thunder Cloud Sage (*Leucophyllum candidum*) & Yellow Dot (*Wedelia trilobata*).** Stunning silvery-gray foliage and intense purple blooms provide the perfect contrast to the bright green foliage and small yellow flowers of Yellow Dot.