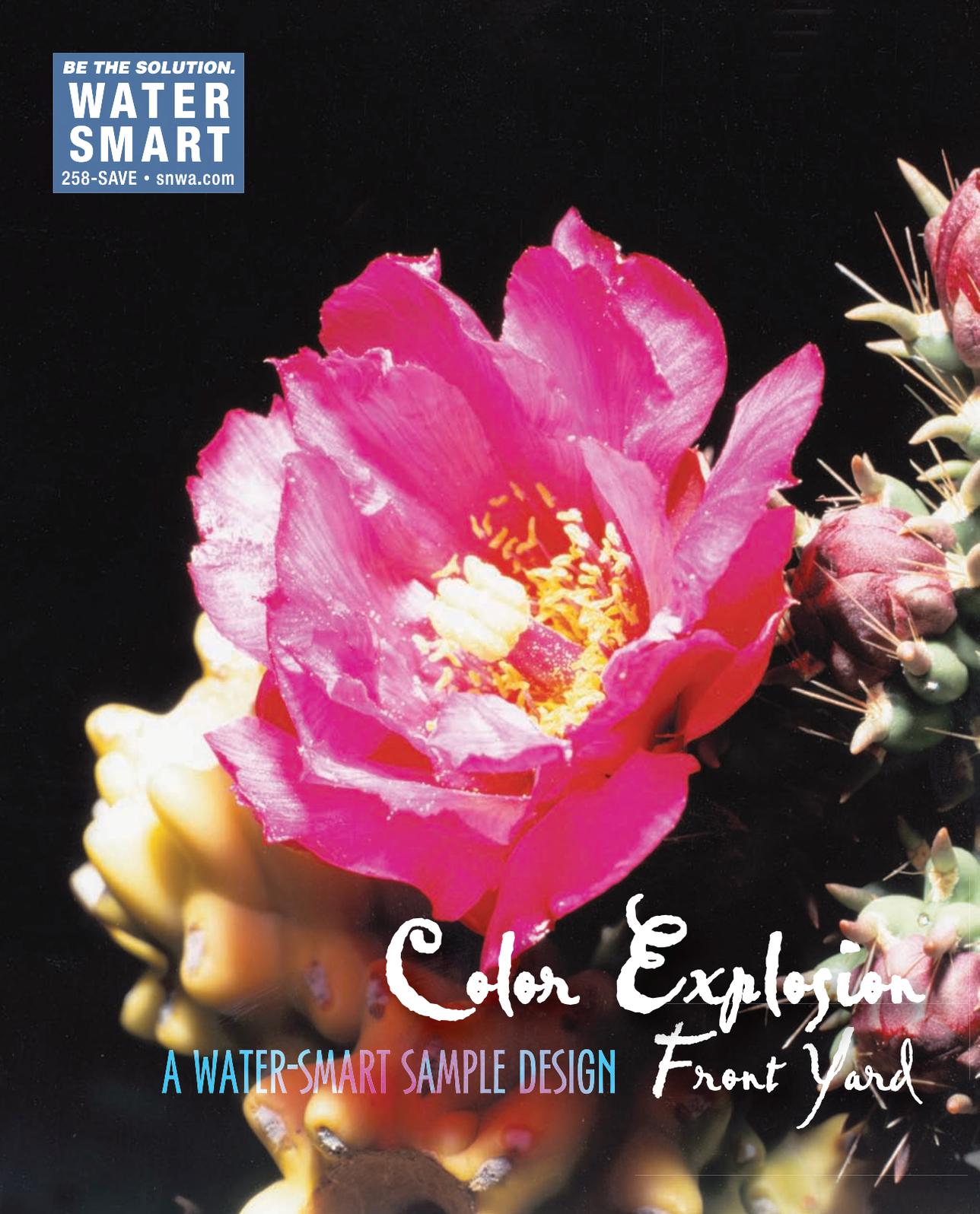


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Color Explosion
Front Yard

A WATER-SMART SAMPLE DESIGN

Legend

TREES

SHRUBS

CHINESE PISTACHE
(*Pistacia chinensis*)



CHITALPA
(*Chitalpa tashkentensis*)



PINK INDIGO BUSH
(*Dalea pulchra*)



DAMIANITA
(*Chrysactinia mexicana*)



AUTUMN SAGE
(*Salvia greggii*)



PINK MUHLY
(*Muhlenbergia capillaris*)



COW'S TONGUE PRICKLY PEAR
(*Opuntia linguiformis*)



RED YUCCA
(*Hesperaloe parviflora*)



PENSTEMON
(*Penstemon species*)



ANGELITA DAISY
(*Tetranneuris acaulis*)



VARIEGATED AGAVE
(*Agave americana Medio-picta*)



ACCENT PLANTS

LANTANA
(*Lantana Hybrid*)



DALEA
(*Dalea capitata*)



VERBENA
(*Verbena rigida*)

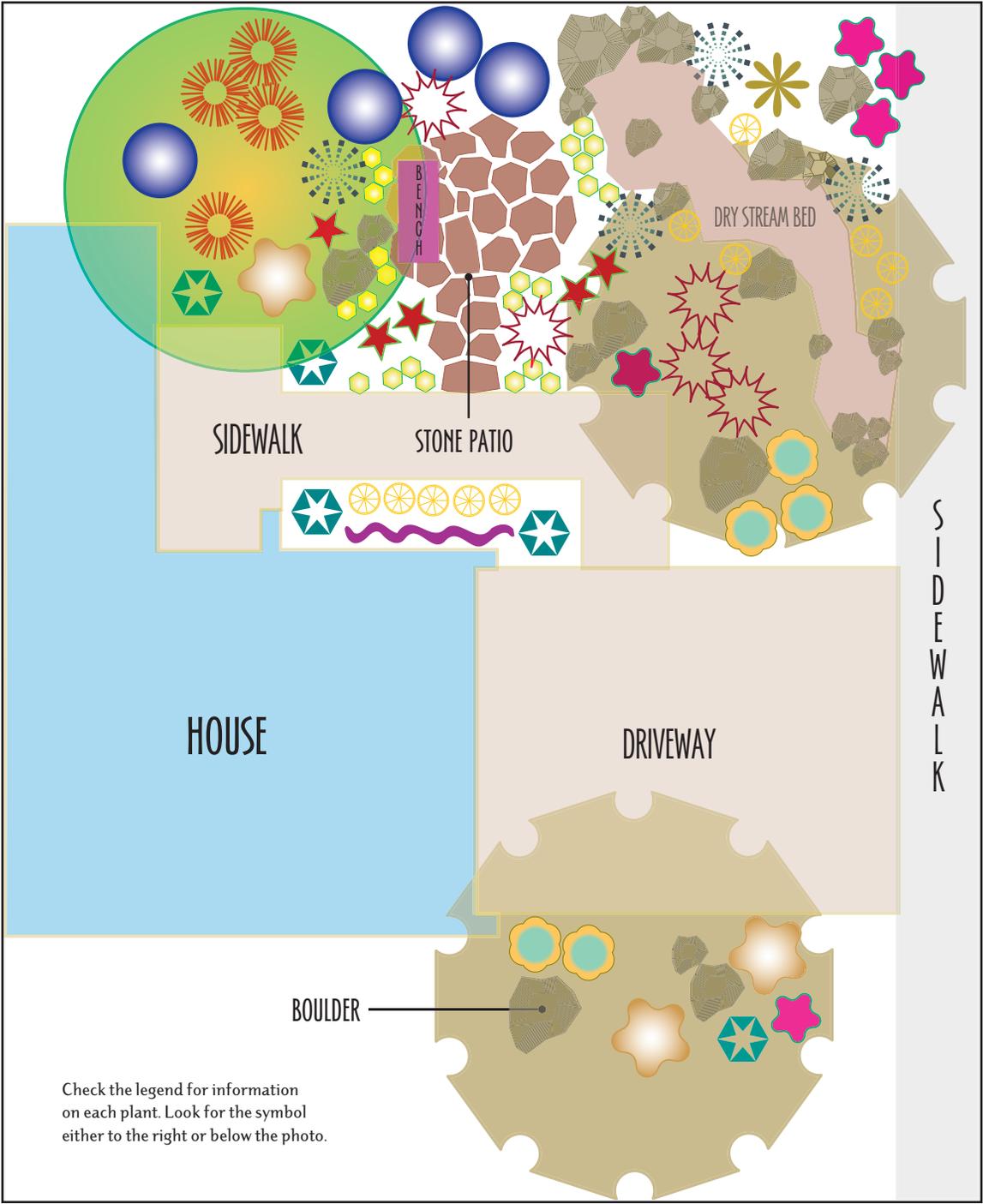


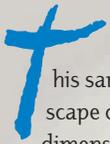
CAT'S CLAW
(*Macfadyena unguis-cati*)



GROUNDCOVERS

VINE





This sample design is based on a typical 1,500 sq. ft. landscape conversion, but can be easily adapted to the unique dimensions of your yard. The design, as presented, will result in a very dense and lush landscape. You may choose to use fewer trees and plants depending on the size of your property and the requirements of your budget.

The canopy coverage for the Color Explosion design is estimated at 141 percent at maturity. However, only a 50 percent canopy coverage is required to qualify for the Water Smart Landscapes rebate program. To apply, submit an application and participate in a site review before making any landscape changes or removing turf. Also, consult with your Homeowner's Association, if applicable, and check to ensure your design complies with local drought codes. For more information, log on to snwa.com or call 258-SAVE.

This design incorporates a wide variety of plants to provide lush, year-round color. Other landscape tips using this design include:

- Allow room for trees in this landscape to attain their mature size. Properly placed, trees can shade your home, reducing cooling demands in the warmer months.
- The Pink Muhly recommended in this design can grow as wide as 3 feet and as tall as 5 feet, so allow room in your landscape for these plants to mature. They create a striking border along a block wall and are hardy enough to withstand direct sunlight.

- Agaves come in many sizes. Be sure the variety you choose is suitable for the space.
- Lantana and Verbena are available in wide varieties and make colorful groundcovers that are excellent for covering sloped or terraced areas in your landscape. Lantana goes dormant in winter so you may want to combine them with evergreen plants for year-round color.
- Cat's Claw is best planted as a creeping vine against a wall or trellis.
- Many plant varieties in this landscape design also can be planted in pots or colorful containers that can be rearranged to create a dynamic and changing landscape. Consider running an existing drip line up through the bottom of the pot, so that container plants can be watered using your existing drip irrigation system.
- New plants often need more water and care in the beginning but once established, trees and shrubs respond better to fewer but deeper drip waterings.
- This design incorporates ungrouted flagstone to allow water and air to reach the surrounding plant roots. Boulders and decorative rocks are also incorporated as part of this design. Check with local suppliers or landscape companies to determine the best product for your landscape.

