



*Snake plants add height, visual interest, and texture with little water requirements.*

We could decide to turn off the spigot but allowing our gardens to go dry will have negative ramifications including loss of property values, increased heat around our homes, physical and psychological health benefit reductions, loss of recreational activities, decreased air quality, and a larger carbon footprint as we stop growing edibles in our backyards. Since we can't change the weather, we need to change how we respond to it. In my two-part series, I offer my suggestions to help your garden survive the impending dry season without a water bill that breaks the bank.



*Succulents are attractive. A ruffled echeveria gibbiflora resembles a fleshy red lettuce.*



*A low maintenance beauty that requires little water is sedum shown here in bloom.*