



Critter Resistant Perennials and Bulbs

Gardening in the high-country is filled with many obstacles. Animals enjoy a lush, lovely garden too! They love to snack and nibble on newly transplanted plants in your garden. Ground squirrels, voles, mice, rabbits, deer, etc. can make your garden very unhappy. Sometimes we just need to live with a little snacking and remember that we all share the same backyard. But sometimes this freeloading can get out of hand.

The first step to removing unwanted animals is to remove brush piles or other protective cover where the animals hide and nest. Open spaces in the landscape can help because small animals

Here is a list of some plants that animals tend not to eat. We can't promise that a hungry animal won't nibble on these, as a hungry animal may eat just about anything. But here are some hopeful plants to work with:

Alliums	<i>Allium spp.</i>
Basket of Gold	<i>Aurinia saxatilis</i>
Bee balm	<i>Monarda spp.</i>
Black Eyed Susan	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>
Blanketflower,	<i>Gaillardia spp.</i>
Bleeding Heart	<i>Dicentra spectabilis</i>
Blue Flax	<i>Linum lewisii</i>
Clustered bellflower	<i>Campanula glomerata</i>
Catmint	<i>Nepeta spp.</i>
Chives	<i>Allium schoenoprasum</i>
Cleome	<i>Cleome serrulata</i>
Creeping Phlox	<i>Phlox subulata</i>
Creeping baby's breath	<i>Gypsophila repens</i>
<i>Daffodils</i>	<i>Narcissus spp.</i>
Delphinium	<i>Delphinium spp.</i>
Dianthus	<i>Dianthus spp.</i>
Golden Banner	<i>Thermopsis divaricarpa</i>
Goldenrod	<i>Solidago spp.</i>
Hardy Geraniums	<i>Geranium spp.</i>
Hummingbird Flower	<i>Zauschneria garrettii</i>
Iceland Poppy	<i>Papaver nudicaule</i>
Irises	<i>Iris spp.</i>
Jacob's Ladder	<i>Polemonium caeruleum</i>
Kinnikinnick	<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i>
Lupine	<i>Lupinus spp.</i>

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May Night Salvia	<i>Salvia sylvestris x 'Mainacht'</i>
Mexican Hat	<i>Ratibida columnifera</i>
Monkshood	<i>Aconitum spp.</i>
Oriental poppy	<i>Papaver orientale</i>
Penstemon	<i>Penstemon spp.</i>
Poppies,	<i>Papaver spp.</i>
Pussytoes	<i>Antennaria</i>
Sage	<i>Artemisia</i>
Sea Pink	<i>Armeria maritima</i>
Sedums	<i>Stone Crop</i>
Snow-in-Summer	<i>Cerastium tomentosum</i>
Soapwort	<i>Saponaria ocymoides</i>
Sulphur flower	<i>Eriogonum umbellatum</i>
Tansy aster	<i>Macaeranthera tanacetifolia</i>
Thyme	<i>Thymus species</i>
Veronica	<i>Veronica spp.</i>
Yarrow	<i>Achillea spp.</i>