

Xeriscape™

A Japanese garden

BASED on simplicity and a calming design.

All plants are drought tolerant and low-water-use. Follow the seven principles of Xeriscape™ when planning and designing your landscape. (For photos of the plants, see the Chelan County PUD Xeriscape brochure or visit the PUD's Web site at www.chelanpud.org.)

For the first year, all plants need regular water while they establish a root system. Water can be decreased the second year. Watch your plants for indications of stress because their water needs also will depend on your soil type.

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The planting area can be mounded with good topsoil and further set off with heavy mulch or bark. The plants can be placed sparsely or densely. Remember that the plants will be small the first year. By the second year they will fill in.

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Substitute pea gravel for sand if you are likely to have cats in your yard.

Hardscape in the form of rocks, boulders, driftwood, benches and concrete can be placed throughout the landscape. Place a water feature, statue or birdbath in a location visible from inside the house.

The path can be concrete pavers, stone or wood.

You can make a special area for a chair, lounge, and table by placing additional pavers in any location.

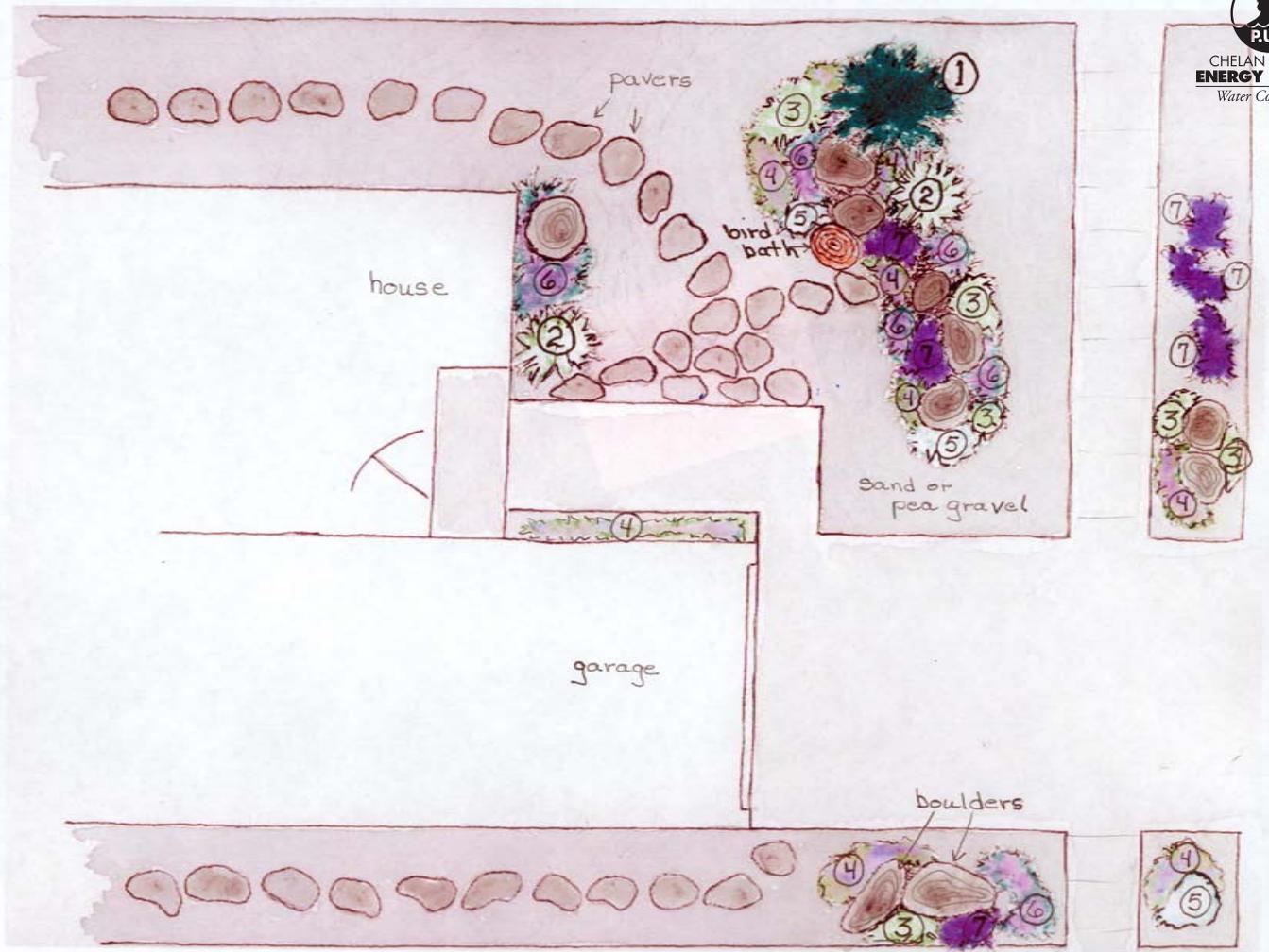
A hardscape is made up of the non-growing structures in your yard

Use a rake to produce designs in the sand or gravel.

Drip irrigation to each plant will help keep weeds down and use a minimal amount of water.

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To learn more about the principles of Xeriscape and water conservation, call Chelan County PUD at (509) 661-8008 or visit this Web site: www.chelanpud.org.



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| 1. Hollywood juniper: <i>Juniperus chinensis</i>
'Torulosa' | 12 ft. high, sun/shade, slow growing, prunable, evergreen |
| 2. Mock orange: <i>Philadelphus lewisii</i> | 8-12 ft. high, sun/shade, fragrant white spring flowers, can be pruned |
| 3. Apache plume: <i>Falugia paradoxa</i> | 4 ft. high, sun, white spring to fall flowers |
| 4. Big-leaf periwinkle: <i>Vinca major</i> | 8 in. high, shade, blue/violet late spring flowers |
| 5. Prairie snow potentilla: <i>Potentilla</i>
<i>fruticosa</i> var. <i>davurica</i> | 18-24 in. high, sun/shade, white late spring flowers |
| 6. Catmint: <i>Nepeta</i> varieties | 18 in. high, sun/shade, purple spring & summer flowers |
| 7. Russian sage: <i>Perovskia atriplicifolia</i> | 3 ft. high, sun, purple summer flowers |

Creeping thyme and/or speedwell make wonderful low-growing ground covers among rocks, pavers, boulders and trees. Many varieties tolerate heavy traffic and use little water.