



GUIDE TO PLANTING IN THE TERRACE

WHAT CAN I PLANT IN MY TERRACE? DO I HAVE TO HAVE A LAWN?

If you're asking these questions, you've come to the right place. Galesburg residents have a number of options on how to landscape their terraces. The City requires that you keep your yard and terrace well maintained and free of noxious weeds but allows you to plant a wide variety of plants.

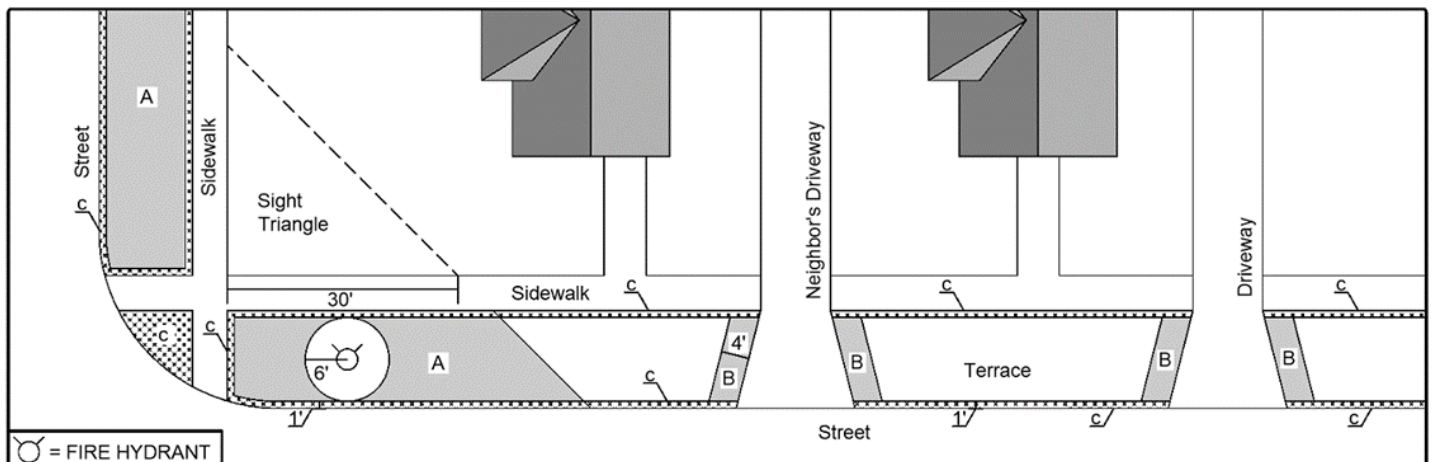
Some basic terms: Your yard is the area between the building and the sidewalk or adjoining lot line. The terrace is the area between the curb or edge of roadway and the sidewalk or adjoining lot line.

What should I do before I plant? 1. Apply for our NO cost landscape permit and provide a landscape plan or sketch. 2. Call *JULIE LOCATE SERVICE* at 1-800-892-0123 or 811 before digging as most terraces have underground utilities (know that the City may need to dig up whatever you plant there in the event of street or utility construction).

How tall can my plantings be? In both your yard and terrace, there are some limits on how high your plantings can be. This is about safety and visibility. In areas at intersections with streets or near driveways, plantings should not be taller than 18 inches (see zones A and B in figure below), within a one foot border adjacent to curbs and sidewalks they should not be taller than 12 inches (see zone C in figure below) and the rest of the terrace area planting should not be taller than 30 inches (see all other zones in figure below); also, you may not plant anything within a 6 foot radius of a fire hydrant (see figure below).

What can I plant? Approved plantings include any non-woody plantings such as flower gardens, natural grasses or other plants provided they comply with the height restrictions based on their placement (see reverse for sample plantings). *Terrace tree plantings require a separate \$15 permit and permission from the City Arborist or Parks Superintendent.*

The City Engineer shall have the right to remove or restrict any terrace plantings or landscape features that are deemed to interfere with safety, maintenance operations or other authorized terrace usage.



Zones A and B in the public right of way – Less than 18 inches in height

Zone C – Less than 12 inches in height

All other areas in the terrace and area in the sight triangle – Less than 30 inches in height

List of Suggested Plants for Galesburg Terrace Gardens:

This list is not to be considered as a complete catalog of acceptable plants for terrace gardens. Other species may adhere to the 30" height limitation. Also, some individual plants may grow larger than the species average height. Questions about planting and growing a garden? Contact University of Illinois Extension for further assistance. (309) 342-5108

Common Name	Scientific Name	Bloom Time/Color	Height	Planting Conditions
Crocus	Crocus spp.	Spring/varies	2-4"	Full to partial sun
Wild Strawberry	Fragaria virginiana	Spring/White	3-10"	Full to part sun
Hyacinth	Hyacinthus orientalis	Spring/varies	6-12"	Full sun to part shade
Canadian Wild Ginger	Asarum canadense	Spring/Purplish brown	6-12"	Full Shade
Sweet Woodruff	Galium odoratum	Spring/White	6-12"	Shade
Pennsylvania Sedge	Carex pennsylvanica	Fall/Brownish seed head	6-12"	Part to full shade
Eastern Star Sedge	Carex radiata	June	6-12"	Part to full shade
Snowdrops	Galanthus	Feb-March/white	6-12"	Full sun to part shade
Daffodils	Narcissus spp.	Spring/Yellows, Oranges, Creams	6-16"	Full to partial sun
Tulips	Tulipa spp.	Spring/varies	6-24"	Full or afternoon sun
Carnation/Pinks	Dianthus spp	Spring-midsummer/varies	9-12'	Full sun
Coral Bells	Heuchera spp.	Summer/varies	9-18"	Full sun to part shade
Artemisia "Silver Mound"	Artemisia schmidtiana	Silvery-green foliage	10-14"	Full sun/Moderate salt tolerance
Catmint	Nepata "Cat's Pajamas"	Spring to summer/Lavender-blue	12-18"	Full sun
Lenten Rose	Hellebore spp.	Early spring/Green, White, Pink	12-24"	Partial to full shade
Daylily	Hemerocalis spp.	Late spring-midsummer/varies	12-24"	Full sun
Tickseed	Coreopsis verticillata 'Zagreb'	Summer/Yellow	12-24"	Full Sun
New England Aster	Aster novae-angliae	Fall/Purple	12-36"	Partial to full sun
Lantana	Lantana spp.	Summer to frost/many colors	18-24"	Full sun
Sedum "Autumn Joy"	Hylotelephium 'Herbstfreude'	Fall/Red	18-24"	Full sun/Tolerates Salt
Blanket Flower	Gaillardia	Summer/Reds, Yellow & Orange	18-24"	Full sun/drought tolerant/salt tolerant
Lantana	Lantana spp.	Summer to frost/many colors	18-24"	Full sun
Butterfly Weed	Asclepias tuberosa	Summer/Orange	18-30"	Full sun/Tolerates Salt
Spiked Speedwell	Veronica spicata	Summer/Blue	18-36"	Full sun
Columbine	Aquilegia canadensis	Spring/Red	24-30"	Full sun/partial shade Moderate salt tolerance
Astilbe	Astilbe spp.	Late spring/varies	24-36"	Part to full shade

