



Self-Guided Landscapes Tour

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Favorite Plant: Kangaroo paw

**Project Size / Amount of Grass
Removed:** 1,200 square feet

Materials Used: A weed barrier fabric was placed over the dirt. A drip irrigation system replaced the 32 sprinkler heads. We used a variety of drought resistant plants for the project. A walkway was added from the front door area to the sidewalk using pea gravel and stepping stones so that water could drain into the soil.

What I like most about my updated landscape: I like the variety of plants and the different colors that they produce. Some grow tall while some spread close to the ground. I like not having to see the dead grass most of the year.

What I learned while completing my project: I learned that I can have a nice looking front yard without having to waste so much water. I also enjoy not having to mow the lawn.

Tips: When I first went on to the web site for my lawn removal project, I thought it was going to be too difficult and had no idea of what I was going to plan out. I also knew nothing about plants or drip irrigation systems. I asked a lot of questions and went to a nursery to find out about which plants would work best and how large they would grow. After planning out what I was going to do, the project was started and completed in about three or four weekends.

Why saving water is important: Saving water is important especially here in southern California since we have had drought conditions for several years now. There is significant water saving on your monthly usage when you complete a lawn removal project.



Before Photo



After Photo



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Plant List



Rosmarinus officinalis
Rosemary



Lantana hybrid 'New Gold'
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Salvia gregii
Autumn Sage



Anigozanthus 'Amber Velvet'
Kangaroo Paw



Salvia leucantha
Mexican Sage



Lantana hybrid
Lantana



Gaura lindheimeri
Wand Flower