Hi Sean,

I recommend the Sunset Western Gardening Book. It’s very helpful. I use it all the time.

For shopping I use Gray Barn quite a bit. They are very knowledgeable and helpful. Sometimes I pick things up at Fred Meyer or Home Depot too. If you want bright summer color annuals are best. Molbaks is helpful too but tends to be expensive.

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Front spring: I recommend mass planting **petunias** about 12” apart for this year. They are an annual,

but inexpensive and will give you the best color all summer long. Lots of color choices.

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Other options for a perennial would be Hellebore:

A group of pink flowers

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I also like Rudbeckia fulgida Goldsturm for fall color.

A group of yellow flowers

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Endless Summer Hydrangea would be nice too. It’s a perennial and blooms most of the summer.

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GROUND COVER ROSES (Sean): Rainow, Sunshine and Sunset Happy Trail Roses

Rock Mountain

**Gray Barn**

apricot drift roses 3 galoon $34.99, 1.5 – 2ft

Some Mini roses stay lower

**Squak Mt Greenhouses & Nursery**

Call back, drift roses, knockout roses

T&L Nursery

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Back Path side: I like spirea Bulmada Goldflame bushes. They start out bright orange in the spring and then get pink blossoms. They are deciduous.

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Another great choice is **Azaleas**. They are beautiful when they bloom. I would just mass plant that hill with them. They are evergreen.

A group of pink flowers

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Here I would go with **Clematis**. It’s a perennial and there are lots of different types. It is spectacular when it blooms and will vine up and over your trellis.

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Here I would suggest mass planting Dianthus Chinensis barbatus or sweet William.

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And maybe behind it some Salvia. There are lots of different types but they come back every year.

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Another plant I’ve had good luck with is Nepeta Walkers Low.

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I don’t even like to think about all the plants I’ve killed! I’ve tried to suggest colorful plants. There are other plants that are more fool proof, but they don’t give you the bright colors.

Good luck! Take advantage of people at the nurseries, amend the soil when planting, provide good watering, and fertilize! We can talk more about that. Feel free to ask me or any of the great gardeners in our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Connie