

4260 El Camino Real - Plants

The large patio on the left side of the building has 12 large pots. Half contain Razzle-berri (*Loropetalum Chinese* var. *rubrum* 'Razzleberri'). Half contain what looks like American Boxwood (*Buxus sempervirens* ?). The plants are well established and we have no desire to replace them with anything else.



The small patio at the right front of the building has a platform, which has 6 large pots. The pots contain a mixture of succulents: Jade Plant (*Crassula ovata*) and plants similar to Aloe Vera. The plants are well established and we have no desire to replace them with anything else.



There is a small planting strip along the right side of the driveway containing fairly mature Jade Plants (*Crassula ovata*). We have no desire to replace them.



A lot of leaves and garbage blows onto our driveway and planting areas from the street and sidewalk. The areas need to be easy to clean.

The left side of the driveway has a small planting area dominated by a mature Mock Orange (*Pittosporum tobira*) which we want to keep. It requires almost no water, has fragrant flowers, and was common in Palo Alto. No other plants are planned.



The right front of the building has a small planting area containing Agapanthus and some larger bushes. The wall behind the larger bushes has a fire hydrant mounted on it. The larger bushes should be removed because they interfere with access to the fire hydrant. We wish to keep the Agapanthus and add more. We are considering planting a Manzanita specimen because it grows slow enough it could be kept out of the way of the fire hydrant, has attractive red branches, and flowers. Getting one established could be a problem.



The small area at the left front of the building is pretty much filled by the mature Camellia bushes and the transformer. The Camellias were trimmed by the Hotel Cabana's gardeners to look like a hedge without our permission. We might be able to add an Agapanthus but our plan is to get the Camellias to grow as much as possible. The planting area to the left is part of Hotel Cabana.



Above the garage entrance is a shallow narrow planter. None of the plants in it were significant and they have died as a result of our sprinkler system failing. The only reliable access to this planter is through the windows from the inside of the building. We plan to put relatively small plants in this which require relatively little care.



On the right side of the building is a small area outside of a window which looks like it could be a planter. We have never seen anything growing in it. The NNW exposure and the upcoming 5 story hotel will put this area in fairly dark shade. It is not visible from the street, may not be visible from the hotel, and we have no immediate plans to put anything in it.

