

Frida Kahlo's Garden

Live Plant Installation Source Suggestions by Powell Gardens

- Sunflower (*Helianthus annuus*) Girasol – Mexican Name
 - Depending on season sunflowers are available at most garden centers in summer into early fall. In the off season cut sunflowers may be available from florists or artificial silk flowers could be purchased from Hobby Lobby, Michael's, or online.
- Dahlia (*Dahlia* species) Dalia- Mexican name
 - Dahlia plants can be purchased at local garden centers in spring through summer, otherwise cut flower Dahlias can be purchased at florists or artificial silks bought from Hobby Lobby, Michael's, or online.
- Marigold (*Tagetes erecta*) Cempoalxochitl – Mexican name
 - Marigolds plants can be purchased at local garden centers in spring through summer. In the off season artificial silk marigold flowers may be purchased online or at craft stores carrying silk flowers.
- Agave (*Agave americana*) Maquey – Mexican name
 - Agave american should be easily sourced from larger garden centers, otherwise online purchasing may be necessary but smaller plants may only be available online. Garden centers may be able to special order agave for you if they have enough lead time. This species of agave can be quite vicious with its terminal leaf spine and sharp barbs along the leaf edge. Can this species be substituted with a less dangerous species like *Agave desmettiana*? *A. desmettiana* does have terminal leaf spines that can be snipped off if necessary.
- Yucca (*Yucca elephantipes*) Yucca in Spanish
 - Giant Yucca is sometimes sold in larger garden centers most of the year in their cactus and succulent section. With enough lead time the garden center may be able to special order this plant for you.
- Bougainvillea (*Bougainvillea* species) Bugambilia – Mexican name
 - Bougainvillea is sold in spring and summer by most garden centers. Should be relatively easy to find in season. Sold as "bushes", "trees", and in hanging baskets that cascade over the edge.
- Cactus & Succulents
 - Should be easy to source from garden centers and grocery stores with a gift plant department. You'll find the best assortment and larger sizes at garden centers.
- Calla Lily (*Zantedeschia aethiopica*) Alcatraz – Mexican name
 - Calla Lily plants can be purchased in season from garden centers and some grocery florist shops. Cut flower calla lilies can be sourced from florists and artificial silk flowers can be purchased at above mentioned craft stores. Calla lily flowers are long lasting but they will not flower again in the same season once the blooms fade.
- Philodendron (*Philodendron bipinnatifidum*) Filodendro – Mexican name
 - This philodendron is also known as *Philodendron sellom* in the garden trade. Should be easy to source wherever houseplants are sold any time of the year. Garden centers may be able to special order if a larger size or quantity is needed.