



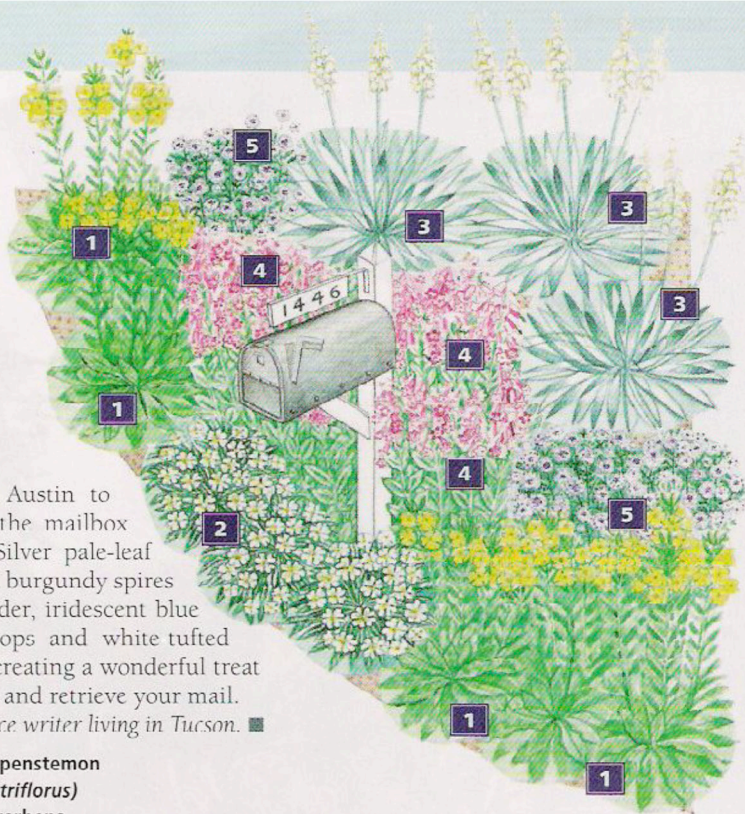
White-tufted evening primrose
(*Oenothera caespitosa*)

Southwest

This adaptable planting scheme can be used from Austin to Phoenix. Bold upright plants set behind and beside the mailbox provide vertical counterpoints to the mailbox post. Silver pale-leaf yuccas with creamy flower spikes are fronted by the rich burgundy spires of hill country *Penstemon*. Toward the front of the border, iridescent blue Goodding's verberna mixes with lemon yellow sundrops and white tufted evening primrose. The primrose opens in the evening, creating a wonderful treat to enjoy just about the time you return home from work and retrieve your mail.

Contributed by Scott Calhoun, a garden designer and freelance writer living in Tucson. ■

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| 1 Sundrops (<i>Calylophus hartweggii</i> v. <i>fendleri</i>) | 4 Hill country penstemon (<i>Penstemon triflorus</i>) |
| 2 White-tufted evening primrose (<i>Oenothera caespitosa</i>) | 5 Goodding's verberna (<i>Glandularia gooddingii</i>) |
| 3 Pale-leaf yucca (<i>Yucca pallida</i>) | |



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