



## Graffiti Deterrent Listing

### FOLIAGE:

**These are vines most commonly use by the City to deter Graffiti.**

**1. Ficus Vine (Creeping Fig)**

Attaches itself to wood masonry and metal.

Grows in sun or shade.

Species include: Quercifolia, miniature Oak like leaves, Variegata, standard size leaves, and Minima, short and narrow leaves.

Prune as needed to support growth and weight.

**2. Vining Bougainvillea**

Stems need to be tied to supporting wall.

Comes in various colors.

Long needle like thorns on stems.

Prune as needed to support weight and to direct growth. Will need to be reattached when needed.

**3. Boston Ivy**

Clings to surfaces easily.

Think twice before planting if you don't have time to care for it. It can creep under sidings and hasten the deterioration of wood and mortar.

Goes dormant in winter (looses leaves).

Must prune each dormant season to restrain spread.

**These are shrubs most commonly use by the City to deter Graffiti. Shrubs are not vines and several may need to be planted to cover the desired area.**

**1. Abelia**

Grows 3-5 feet tall high and wide.

Needs constant trimming to keep at desired height and width.

**2. Escalonia**

Grows 8-10 feet high and wide.

Needs constant trimming to keep at desired height and width.

**3. Rhapsolipis**

Grows 6 feet tall and 8 feet wide.

Needs to be trimmed to desired height and width.

**4. Natal Plum**

Has needle like thorns on stems.

Grows 5-7 feet tall and same as width.

Needs trimming to keep at desired height and width.

### OTHER METHODS:

- ✓ Remove graffiti within 24 hours after its appearance.
- ✓ Install security type lighting in alleyways and areas frequently targeted with graffiti.
- ✓ Cover exposed windows and glass with Graffiti Resistant film.
- ✓ Keep areas targeted for graffiti liter free and well maintained.
- ✓ Get involved in your community. Become a Graffiti Task Force Volunteer.
- ✓ Call 9-1-1 to report graffiti in progress.
- ✓ Call the Graffiti Hotline at 385-8010 for assistance removing graffiti.

**For more information, visit the Graffiti Task Force website at [www.oxnardwatch.org](http://www.oxnardwatch.org).  
Contact the Graffiti Task Force at [www.stopgraffiti@ci.oxnard.ca.us](mailto:www.stopgraffiti@ci.oxnard.ca.us)**