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## August ...

### Hottest on Record

**W**OW the cooler days of October are finally here. This summer has been a scorcher, especially since August was the hottest on record.

In the last eight months Wickenburg has gone from 15 degrees to 115 degrees. Not many places in the country have hundred degree swings with the kind of plant material that we have here in the "desert". While specific details on how to handle the extremes will be covered in another issue it is important to have a



general understanding of the basics and how to work with these large swings in our climate.

While almost everyone has some type of plant in their yard that needs protection from the

cold we need to know if our plants will simply

die back for the winter or will the cold KILL them for good. Some plants may need some extra protection like a frost blanket or an external heat

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source such as lights or heat wraps. Knowing what our plants can tolerate helps us work around their individual needs.

On the other side of the spectrum we have the seemingly unbearable heat in the summer.

Knowing how much sun some of our plants can take is imperative to their survival. We also need to keep in mind that the summer daylight hours are longer and thus give our plants more light which is in most cases good but in others can cause sunburn or added stress increasing the likelihood of pest or fungus infestations.

Covering such plants with 20-80% shade cloth can keep our plants looking their best after the summer has passed. Sometimes extra water is needed for our plants in the summer. We also need to remember that even if a plant can take all day full

sun we cannot prune half of that plant off. The remaining parts will sunburn because they were always

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**This is the Time of Year for the**

## LOCAL AND NATIONAL LANDSCAPE AWARDS!

I.C.P.I Awards Banquet November 4

A.L.C.A. Awards Banquet November 19

H.N.A. Awards Banquet October 28