

Driveway Edge Plant & Layout Guide

Build a durable, traffic-proof border that thrives year-round.

Protect your curb appeal from stray tires, harsh weather, and street runoff. This high-survival layout creates a resilient, layered barrier for your landscaping.

● Critical Layout Measurements

12 in

Minimum gravel buffer width

4-6 in

Raised planting berm height

Under 24 in

Maximum mature plant height

18 in

On-center spacing for grasses

6 in

Subsoil excavation depth

10 in

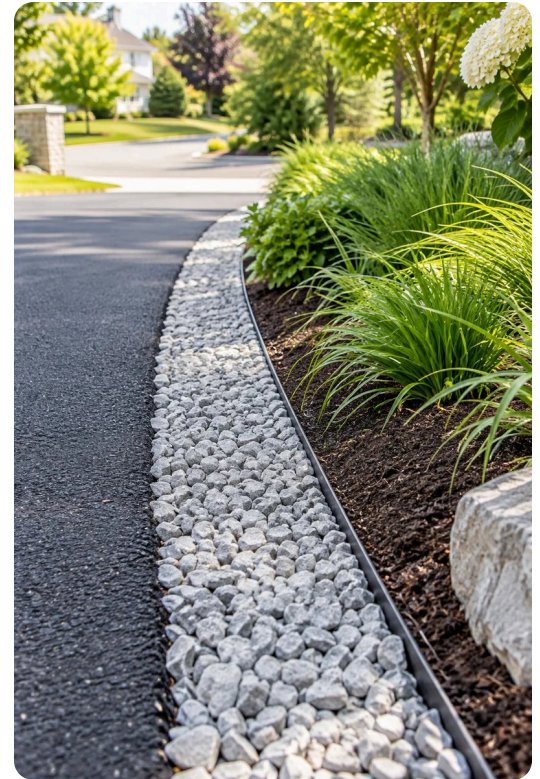
Minimum steel anchor stake depth

3 ft

Anchor stake spacing along border

2 in

Minimum steel edging joint overlap



Recessed Steel Edging

Keep your heavy-duty metal border completely flush with the soil. This prevents dangerous tripping hazards and ensures snow plows never catch the edge during winter.

● The High-Survival Installation

- 1 Excavate and Tamp** Dig out organic matter and tamp the subsoil firmly until it feels as hard as concrete.
- 2 Place the Buffer** Lay commercial-grade landscape fabric, then fill the impact zone with heavy, angular crushed stone.
- 3 Set the Barrier** Install the metal boundary, driving a stake directly through the overlapping holes to stop aggressive runners.
- 4 Build the Sanctuary** Mound quality soil to create a subtly elevated bed, sloping it to drain toward the street.
- 5 Plant the Defense** Plant tough salt-tolerant grasses in a staggered zig-zag pattern; their resilient roots ignore harsh sodium.

● Choose Your Buffer Material

Find your row: **Your Exterior Style**

Your Exterior Style	Your pick	Why
Modern Desert	Warm decomposed granite	Complements arid architectural designs perfectly.
Coastal Cottage	Crushed oyster shells	Offers a charming, salt-spray resistant look.
Formal Estate	Dark basalt gravel	Anchors traditional exteriors with neat lines.
High-Traffic Street	Angular crushed stone	Jagged edges bind tightly under vehicles.

● Site & Material Checks

- Verify the planned plant varieties are explicitly labeled as salt-tolerant.
- Check that mature foliage will not obstruct your backing line of sight.
- Confirm your chosen gravel is angular, avoiding smooth river rock entirely.
- Ensure the raised soil slope actively directs water runoff toward the street.
- Plan a late winter maintenance cutback to three inches before shoots emerge.

● Project Notes & Measurements

Enjoy a pristine, professional driveway entrance that easily outlasts the harshest winter weather.