

Tampa Bay Community Water Wise Awards

**2025 Winner
Pinellas County**

**Michele Burt & David Kulp
Tierra Verde**



Frontyard

- Landscape includes 77 varieties of plants/trees with 284 individual plants.
- 90% native, 10% edible or non-invasive tropical plants.



- Most plants are drought and salt tolerant and withstood the five feet storm surge of 2024.
- Pervious materials throughout reduce stormwater runoff.

Front and Backyard

- Pervious driveway and paths reduce stormwater runoff.
- No fertilizer is used.



Backyard

- The Irrigation System was converted to Microirrigation in front and back.
- A rain sensor is installed.
- Rainwater is collected and used for hand watering.





Edible Landscape



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