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| <i>Abutilon palmeri</i> | Palmer's Indian Mallow | Shrub | 4' H x 4' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Good for dry, rocky, east-facing mountain slopes and creosote bush scrub. |
| <i>Acalypha californica</i> | California Copperleaf | Shrub | 3' H x 3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Occasional | x | Grows well on dry granite slopes in chaparral, southern oak woodland and coastal San Diego County to Baja and the edge of the desert. |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> | Yarrow | Flower | 2' H x 2' W | Fast | Full sun | Moderate/regular | x | Good cut flower in a meadow planting or as a lawn substitute. |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> var. <i>brevialatus</i> | Short Winged Deerweed | Perennial herb | 3' H x 3' W | Fast | Full sun | Dry/semi-moist | | Almost identical to Deerweed except for slightly smaller flowers. |
| <i>Aesculus californica</i> | California Buckeye | Tree | 30' H x 18' W | Moderate | Full sun to part shade | Dry/semi-moist | | Buckeye trees are used as a nectar source for many native butterflies. |
| <i>Agrostis pallens</i> | Seashore Bent Grass | Grass | 1' H x 1' W | Fast | Part sun to part shade | Moderate | | A drought-tolerant lawn substitute. Tolerates moderate foot traffic and can be mowed. With some supplemental summer water it will remain green year round. |
| <i>Ambrosia pumila</i> | San Diego Ambrosia | Groundcover | 6" H x 2' W | Moderate-fast | Part to full shade | Occasional | x | Groundcover, herb, spreads from rhizomes. Delicate gray leaves. Good in rock gardens or pots. |
| <i>Amorpha californica</i> | False Indigo | Shrub | 3-9' H x 3-5' W | Moderate | Part to full shade | Infrequent | | The larval food plant for our California State butterfly, the California Dogface. Has small purple flowers on a 3" spike. |
| <i>Anemopsis californica</i> | Yerba Mansa | Perennial | 1' H x 3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Regular | | An excellent plant for water features. It can be planted in the water or along moist edges and will trail down along rock faces or fountain edges. |
| <i>Arctostaphylos</i> 'Austin Griffiths' | Austin Griffiths Manzanita | Tree | 12' H x 12' W | Fast | Part to full shade | Dry/semi-moist | | Large evergreen shrub or small tree with gray-green leaves, burgundy-brown bark, and white flowers. |
| <i>Arctostaphylos catalinae</i> | Santa Catalina Island Manzanita | Shrub | 18' H x 5-8' W | Slow | Part to full shade | Dry/semi-moist | x | Smooth red bark and trunk. Endangered in a portion of its range. Endemic to Catalina Island. |

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| Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Howard McMinn' | Howard McMinn Manzanita | Shrub | 1-2' H x 2' W | Slow | Part sun to full shade | Dry/semi-moist | x | Plants are very flowery with red stems and green foliage and are easy to grow in most gardens. |
| Arctostaphylos glauca | Big Berry Manzanita | Shrub | 12' H x 12' W | Moderate | Full sun | Occasional | x | Has gray green foliage that can look white if you make the plant happy. If the plant gets some water or fertilizer it will be greener, but shorter-lived. |
| Arctostaphylos 'Sunset' | Sunset Manzanita | Large shrub | 4-5' H x 4-6' W | Slow | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Nice compact manzanita recommended as a specimen or a hedge. |
| Artemisia californica | California Sagebrush | Shrub | 3-4' H x 4' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Strongly scented foliage. Recommended for erosion control. |
| Artemisia palmeri | Palmer Sagebrush | Shrub | 3' H x 3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Moderate | | This plant is rare and threatened by development and flood control projects. |
| Asclepias eriocarpa | Indian Milkweed | Perennial | 1-3' H x spreading | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Drought tolerant forage source for the Monarch butterfly and Striated Queen. This species has large woolly leaves resembling lamb's ears. |
| Asclepias fascicularis | Narrowleaf Milkweed | Perennial | Flower spikes to 4' H | Fast | Full to part sun | Moderate | | Interesting button flowers. Usually forms small colonies. Adaptable to most conditions. Orioles use dry stems for nesting. |
| Asclepias speciosa | Showy Milkweed | Perennial | 2-4' H x spreading | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Forage source for the Monarch butterfly and Striated Queen. Likes clay soil. |
| Baccharis pilularis | Coyote Brush | Shrub | 6' H x 10' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Cut back annually to promote new growth. Very important shrub for wildlife! |
| Baileya multiradiata | Desert Marigold | Perennial | 2' H x 2' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | A perennial that lives in the deserts of the Southwest. Its flowers look like yellow marigolds on a light green marigold plant. |
| Bergerocactus emoryi | Golden Spined Cereus | Cactus | 2-3' H x 1-5' W | Slow | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Forms clumps of slender stems just over 2 feet in height and is covered in golden-yellow spines that glow in the sunlight. |

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| <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> | Sideoats Grama | Grass | 2' H x 2' W | Fast | Full sun | Occasional | | Versatile and recommended in semi-dry meadows or grasslands. |
| <i>Brickellia californica</i> | California Brickellbush | Shrub | 4' H x 3-6' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | Highly recommended for aromatic gardens. |
| <i>Calliandra californica</i> | Red Fairyduster | Shrub | 3-5' H x 5' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Showy red flowers attract hummingbirds year round. Extremely heat and drought-tolerant once established. |
| <i>Ceanothus</i> 'Concha' | Concha Ceanothus | Shrub | 5-6' H x 6' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | A great bloomer that looks good all year. Tolerates heavy soils. Excellent with oaks and pines. |
| <i>Ceanothus griseus horizontalis</i> 'Yankee Point' | Yankee Point Ceanothus | Large shrub | 3-4' H x 6-10' W | Moderate | Full sun to part shade | Occasional | | Does best near the coast, but good in coastal valleys, and OK inland if given a little afternoon shade and weekly sprinkles. |
| <i>Ceanothus impressus</i> 'Vandenberg' | Santa Barbara Ceanothus | Shrub | 3' H x 5' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Occasional | | A mounding evergreen shrub with tiny, crinkled, dark green, shiny leaves. Bright blue flower clusters appear in late spring and early summer. Drought tolerant once established. |
| <i>Ceanothus</i> 'Ray Hartman' | Ray Hartman Ceanothus | Tree | 15' H x 3-4' W | Fast | Full sun | Dry/semi-moist | | Can be planted as a specimen, screen, hedge, groundcover, and in shrub borders. A great location is in a transition zone, between more intensely cultivated and watered gardens and the wild landscape. |
| <i>Ceanothus spinosus</i> | Greenbark Ceanothus | Shrub | 6-8' H x 8' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Dry/semi-moist | | The evergreen shining foliage and arborescent habit of growth make this species desirable for planting in large estates where a mass effect is desired. |
| <i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i> | Birch-leaf Mountain Mahogany | Shrub | 8-10' H x 8-10' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Can be kept narrow. Seed plumes shimmer in summer and fall. Wonderful all-purpose plant! |

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| <i>Chilopsis linearis</i> | Desert Willow | Tree | 20' H x 15' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Dry/semi-moist | | A small tree or large shrub. Willowy pendant branches display long, narrow leaves highlighted by fragrant trumpet-shaped flowers. |
| <i>Clematis ligusticifolia</i> | Western Virgin's Bower | Vine | 15-20' long vine | Fast | Part shade | Moderate | | Once established, this tough-as-nails CA native vine is here to stay with a dense smothery froth of cheery, white flowers. |
| <i>Cneoridium dumosum</i> | Bush Rue | Shrub | 2-4' H x 5' W | Slow | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | An evergreen shrub with a sprawling habit that lends itself to being a high groundcover in hot dry areas. |
| <i>Constancea nevinii</i> | Nevin's Woolly Sunflower | Shrub | 2-5' H x 2-5' W | Fast | Full sun | Dry/semi-moist | | Has an extremely limited natural range, being found only on San Clemente, Santa Catalina, and Santa Barbara Islands. |
| <i>Coreopsis gigantea</i> | Giant Coreopsis | Woody perennial | 4' H x 1' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Large yellow daisies on an interesting, almost palm-tree-like plant. Do not water in summer. |
| <i>Cylindropuntia munzii</i> | Munz's Cholla | Shrub | 3' H x 3' W | Slow | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | This species grows in sandy flats, alluvial washes and gravelly hills in desert scrub. |
| <i>Cylindropuntia prolifera</i> | Coastal Cholla | Cactus | 10' H x 3' W | Moderate | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | Grows well on ocean bluffs. Has magenta flowers that bloom in the spring. |
| <i>Cylindropuntia ramosissima</i> | Pencil Cholla | Perennial | 2-6' H x 3' W | Slow | Full sun | Infrequent | | Spines are usually single, growing from the center of the tubercles, but they may be absent in some specimens, or grow only around the uppermost part of the stems. |
| <i>Danthonia californica</i> | California Oatgrass | Grass | 1-3' H x 1-2' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Moderate | | A native grass that grows primarily in northern and central California in the mountains. Can be an attractive garden grass. |
| <i>Diplacus aurantiacus</i> | Bush Monkeyflower | Perennial | 2-3' H x 3' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | Leaves are sticky to the touch. A forage source for the Common Checkerspot and Buckeye butterflies. |

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| <i>Dudleya brittonii</i> | Giant Chalk Dudleya | Perennial herb | 8-10" H x 1-2' W | Slow | Full to part sun | Dry/semi-moist | x | A great plant for the rock garden, a crack in a rock or wall, or as a container specimen. Grows on cliffs and hilly areas in lava rock and other very porous soils. |
| <i>Dudleya hassei</i> | Catalina Island Liveforever | Succulent | 1' H x 1' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | x | Infrequent deep watering is best. |
| <i>Dudleya saxosa</i> | Panamint Liveforever | Succulent | 1' H x 1' W | Slow | Part sun | Drought tolerant | x | Tolerates cold and shade. |
| <i>Encelia californica</i> | California Bush Sunflower | Shrub | 3' H x 5' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Bloom season can be extended with occasional watering as well with frequent deadheading of spent flowers. |
| <i>Encelia farinosa</i> | Brittlebush | Shrub | 3-5' H x 4' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | The whole bush seems to bloom simultaneously and it's quite common to find plants with several hundred blossoms at one time. |
| <i>Erigeron glaucus</i> | Seaside Daisy | Perennial | 1' H x 2' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Regular | x | Abundant flowers all year. Great for massed ground cover. Recommended for coastal butterfly gardens. Easy to grow. Formal appearance. Good for flower borders and parkways. |
| <i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i> | California Buckwheat | Shrub | 3-4' H x 4' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Flowers emerge in summer and dry to a pretty rust-brown color and persist through the winter and spring. Excellent for erosion control. |
| <i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i> hybrid | Hybrid California Buckwheat | Groundcover | 2' H x 8' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | A natural hybrid which appeared in our chaparral collection, this buckwheat shows slightly larger leaves and flower clusters than typical. |
| <i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i> 'Wildwood' | Prostrate California Buckwheat | Shrub | 2-3' H x 4-6' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Low growing evergreen groundcover with late spring-summer flowers. |

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| Eriogonum giganteum | Saint Catherine's Lace | Shrub | 6' H x 6' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Large flowers turn from white to rust as they age. Very ornamental. Cut back after bloom. |
| Eriogonum grande var. rubescens | Red Buckwheat | Perennial | 1' H x 2-3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Occasional | x | Flowers are rose-colored or red. A good subject for rock gardens. Forms a mat of attractive foliage from which rise many flower stems. |
| Eriogonum latifolium | Coast Buckwheat | Perennial | 1' H x 2' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Dry/semi-moist | x | A great buckwheat for coastal gardens. Easy care and solid blooms. Creamy white pom-poms rise above dark green, spoon shaped leaves in the summer. |
| Fallugia paradoxa | Apache Plume | Perennial | 3-6' H x 3' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Recommended with other desert plants such as Apricot Mallow and Fairyduster. Drought and heat tolerant. |
| Festuca californica | California Fescue | Grass | 2' H x 2' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | x | Robust perennial bunch grass with beautiful blue-grey foliage. Nice in masses or as an accent. Hardy and fast growing. |
| Galvezia juncea 'Punta Banda' | Punta Banda Bush Snapdragon | Perennial | 5' H x 5-6' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | The contrast between the tiny green leaves, lime green arching stems and the bright red flowers make this an interesting addition to any native plant garden. |
| Galvezia speciosa 'Firecracker' | Firecracker Island Snapdragon | Shrub | 2-3' H x 3' W | Fast | Part sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | Tolerates clay, salt, wind. Deep soak occasionally for lush growth. |
| Gaura coccinea | Scarlet Beeblossom | Perennial | 8-20" H x 4' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Prefers to grow in dry flats and slopes. Winter dormant. |
| Grindelia camporum | Common Gumplant | Perennial | 1' H x 2' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Likes full sun, and can tolerate deer, and will grow in salty soil. |
| Helenium bigelovii | Bigelow's Sneezeweed | Perennial herb | 1-3' H x 1-3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Regular | | Despite the common name this plant does not cause allergies. It was originally used for snuff, hence the name sneezeweed. |

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| Hesperoyucca whipplei | Chaparral Yucca | Shrub | 4' H x 5' W | Slow | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | The plant takes several years to reach maturity and flower, at which point it usually dies. Then a cluster of clones around its base continue to grow and reproduce. |
| Heuchera maxima | Channel Island Coral Bells | Perennial | 2' H x 2' W | Fast | Part shade | Occasional | x | Dark green leaves are lightly marbled and often red tinged in winter. Clusters of pinkish-white flowers on intricately branching stems emerge in the spring. |
| Horkelia californica | California Horkelia | Perennial | 1' H x 2' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Endemic to California, where it grows on scrubby coastal and inland mountain slopes, primarily in the California Coast Ranges and western Sierra Nevada foothills. |
| Iris douglasiana | Douglas Iris | Perennial | 1' H x 2' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Moderate | x | Can tolerate full sun on coast, and part sun to shade inland. Looks good in masses or as an accent. |
| Isocoma menziesii | Menzies' Goldenbush | Shrub | 3-4' H x 3-4' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Occasional | | Leaves are oval-shaped to somewhat rectangular, gray-green and sometimes hairy and glandular, and long with stumpy teeth along the edges. |
| Juncus mexicanus | Mexican Rush | Rush | 2' H x spreading | Fast | Full to part sun | Regular | x | Nice garden color with delicate leaves. Spreads vigorously with wet conditions. |
| Justicia californica | Chuparosa | Shrub | 6' H x 6' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Sprawling habit with red, tubular-shaped flowers appearing abundantly in late winter and spring, when the bushes are ablaze of color. |
| Justicia californica 'Tecate Gold' | Tecate Gold Chuparosa | Shrub | 5' H x 5' W | Slow | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Highly recommended as a screen, specimen or a bonsai. Tolerates heat, drought, and frost. |
| Keckiella antirrhinoides | Snapdragon Penstemon | Perennial | 4' H x 3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Water occasionally in hot season to keep plant green longer, as it will go completely dormant in summer. |

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| <i>Lepechinia fragrans</i> | Fragrant Pitcher Sage | Perennial | 3' H x 4' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Excellent hummingbird plant with fragrant leaves. Rare! Found locally in the Santa Monica and San Gabriel Mountains. |
| <i>Leymus condensatus</i> | Giant Wild Rye | Grass | 4' H x 4' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Accepts heavy clay soils. Very drought tolerant, but also accepting of water. Very versatile. |
| <i>Leymus condensatus</i> 'Canyon Prince' | Canyon Prince Rye Grass | Grass | 3-4' H x 3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Infrequent | x | One of the most popular and adaptable of California's native grasses, it is very easy to grow. |
| <i>Linum lewisii</i> | Blue Flax | Perennial herb | 18" H x 18" W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | x | Excellent for narrow beds and perennial borders. |
| <i>Lonicera subspicata</i> var. <i>johnstonii</i> | Johnston's Honeysuckle | Vine | 3-8' H x 5-8' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Has small yellowish or cream-colored flowers sometimes tinged with pink. An ideal plant for covering banks in sun or shade. |
| <i>Malosma laurina</i> | Laurel Sumac | Shrub/tree | 18' H x 18' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Small white berries not noticeable, but appreciated by songbirds (especially warblers). |
| <i>Melica californica</i> | California Melic | Grass | 1-2' H x 1-2' W | Fast | Part shade | Infrequent | | Use in moist rock gardens or shade gardens. Small and non-significant but it can add balance and finish to a native garden. |
| <i>Mirabilis multiflora</i> | Giant Four O'Clock | Perennial herb | 1-2' H x 4-6' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | A magnificent native wildflower that blooms all summer with flowers that open in the afternoon. |
| <i>Muhlenbergia rigens</i> | Deergrass | Grass | 2-4' H x 4' W | Fast | Sun or shade | Drought tolerant | x | Excellent for erosion control. Looks great in mass planting or as an accent. Shear every 3-4 years to rejuvenate. |
| <i>Nassella pulchra</i> | Purple Needlegrass | Grass | 1-3' H x 2' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | Recommended for dry, hot areas and clay soils. The official state grass of California. |

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| Oenothera elata ssp. hookeri | Hooker's Evening Primrose | Perennial herb | 1-4' H x 1-2' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Regular | | Grows flat on the ground sending up a 3' spike of 3-4" yellow flowers that open in the evening and morning. Use in the background. Do not use in a formal watered garden. |
| Opuntia basilaris | Beavertail Cactus | Cactus | 2' H x 2-4' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Usually spineless, the plants have instead small barbed bristles. The flowers make it worthwhile in any desert garden. |
| Opuntia basilaris var. brachyclada | Beavertail Prickly Pear | Cactus | 1' H x 1' W | | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | A dwarf purple prickly pear cactus that is a great addition to drought tolerant, hillside and xeriscape gardens. |
| Opuntia erinacea | Mojave Prickly Pear | Cactus | 2' H x 10' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Forms low clumps with oblong, thick grayish green flattened joints densely covered with glistening white, thread-like spines usually 10 to 15 cm long. Flowers may be red or yellow. |
| Opuntia littoralis | Coast Prickly Pear | Cactus | 3' H x spreading | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Fruits are edible. Makes a great barrier! |
| Penstemon pseudospectabilis | Desert Penstemon | Perennial | 2-3' H x 2-3' W | | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | An incredible bloomer with numerous spikes of intensely deep pink tubular flowers in late spring. |
| Penstemon spectabilis | Showy Penstemon | Perennial | 4' H x 4' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Occasional water lengthens bloom season but may shorten the plant's lifespan. Prune after blooms to promote new growth. |
| Peritoma arborea | Bladderpod | Shrub | 3-4' H x 4' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | This gorgeous shrub is native to the Santa Monica Mountains and the Mojave Desert. Flowers light yellow, followed by curiously shaped inflated pods. |
| Phyla nodiflora | Turkey Tangle | Groundcover | 4-6" H x spreading | Fast | Full sun | Infrequent | | Probably one of the best lawn substitutes especially for difficult areas where nothing will grow. |

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| <i>Prunella vulgaris</i> | Self Heal | Perennial herb | 1-3' H x 1-3' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Regular | | The common name selfheal or heal-all is due to the ubiquity of this herb in traditional medicine around the world. |
| <i>Ranunculus californicus</i> | California Buttercup | Perennial herb | 1' H x 2-3' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | x | A worthy cut flower but also a good source of nutrition. Toast them in a frying pan briefly. Use in porridge or grind and add to baked goods. |
| <i>Rhus integrifolia</i> | Lemonadeberry | Shrub | 10' H x 10-30' W | Slow, then fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Berries can be made into a tart drink reminiscent of lemonade. |
| <i>Ribes aureum</i> | Golden Currant | Shrub | 6' H x 2-3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Forage source for Cooper and Anglewing butterflies. Berries are edible. |
| <i>Ribes indecorum</i> | White-Flowering Currant | Shrub | 6' H x 6-8' W | Moderate | Part sun | Drought tolerant | | Good bird plant, suitable for planting under oaks or in woodland gardens. Inland, protect from afternoon sun. |
| <i>Ribes speciosum</i> | Fuchsia Flowering Gooseberry | Shrub | 10' H x 8' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Crimson flowers are loved by hummingbirds. Numerous sharp thorns make this a good barrier plant. Can spread by underground roots. |
| <i>Ribes thacherianum</i> | Santa Cruz Island Gooseberry | Shrub | 6' H x 6' W | Fast | Part to full shade | Occasional | | Protect from hot inland sun. Very rare gooseberry. |
| <i>Ribes viburnifolium</i> | Catalina Currant | Groundcover | 2' H x 6' W | Moderate | Part to full shade | Occasional | | Excellent under oaks and for erosion control in dry, shaded spots. Berries appeal to birds. |
| <i>Romneya coulteri</i> | Matilija Poppy | Shrub | 8' H x spreading | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Flowers are large, often measuring 6 inches in diameter, of crepe-like texture, and pure glistening white with deep yellow centers. |
| <i>Rosa californica</i> | California Wild Rose | Shrub | 5' H x spreading | Moderate | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | A rather small shrub sending up many branches from the ground soon forming a large clump. Produces many delicate pink fragrant blossoms in late spring and early summer. |

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| Salvia apiana | White Sage | Shrub | 3-5' H x 4-6' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Important Native American ceremonial plant. A local native. Tolerates heavy soil. Bees love it. |
| Salvia brandegeei | Brandegee's Sage | Shrub | 6' H x 6' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | A rare sage found only on Santa Rosa Island. Vigorous and easy to grow. Tolerates clay soil. |
| Salvia clevelandii 'Allen Chickering' | Allen Chickering Sage | Shrub | 4-5' H x 4-5' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Attracts hummingbirds, butterflies, and birds. |
| Salvia clevelandii 'Aromas' | Aromas Cleveland Sage | Shrub | 5' H x 5' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Very drought tolerant salvia with profuse blooms. |
| Salvia clevelandii 'Winifred Gilman' | Winifred Gilman Sage | Shrub | 5' H x 5' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | x | Prefers good drainage and full sun. Attracts hummingbirds, butterflies, and birds. |
| Salvia leucophylla | San Luis Sage | Shrub | 6' H x 8' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | A small shrub with pretty silvery gray, crinkly foliage and large whorls of lilac purple flowers. A profuse bloomer making a glorious effect when in flower on the hillsides. |
| Salvia leucophylla 'Bee's Bliss' | Bee's Bliss Purple Sage | Shrub | 1-2' H x 2-5' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | This plant is quite drought tolerant, particularly in coastal gardens and seems to dislike overhead irrigation. |
| Salvia leucophylla 'Point Sal' | Point Sal Purple Sage | Shrub | 2' H x 8' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Beautiful and tough groundcover for hot dry areas. |
| Salvia mellifera | Black Sage | Shrub | 5' H x 5' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Flowers can be white, blue, or lavender. Leaves are very fragrant. |
| Salvia munzii 'Emerald Cascade' | Emerald Cascade San Miguel Mtn. Sage | Shrub | 2' H x 3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Foliage is a light bright green and is very aromatic. Pale blue flowers bloom in spring. |
| Salvia 'Shirley's Creeper' | Shirley's Creeper Sage | Shrub | 4-6' H x 4-6' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Occasional | | An ideal bank cover for a sunny dry area with good drainage. Somewhat misnamed as it is a fairly tall plant. Will quickly form a dense mound 4 to 6 feet tall and wide. |
| Salvia 'Skylark' | Skylark Sage | Shrub | 2-3' H x 4-6' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | Short mounding shrub. Evergreen with some summer water or drought deciduous without. |

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| Salvia sonomensis 'Mrs. Beard' | Mrs. Beard Creeping Sage | Shrub | 2' H x 6-8' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Fragrant leaves, especially in summer. |
| Salvia spathacea (red) | Hummingbird Sage | Shrub | 2' H x spreading | Slow- moderate | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | x | This fruity scented sage blooms March-May with typically dark rose-lilac colored flowers. It is cultivated in gardens for its attractive flowering spikes and pleasant scent. |
| Sambucus nigra ssp. caerulea | Mexican Elderberry | Tree | 25' H x 25' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | A deciduous tree with attractive light green foliage and large clusters of creamy white flowers appearing abundantly in spring and early summer. |
| Scrophularia californica | California Figwort | Perennial | 2-4' H x 3- 4' W | Fast | Sun or shade | Regular | | Nice woodland plant. Interesting dark flowers and handsome toothed foliage. Best in well-drained soils. Forage source for the Common Checkerspot and Buckeye butterflies. |
| Senegalia greggii | Catclaw Acacia | Large shrub | 10-15' H x 10-15' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | An interesting deciduous shrub from the Colorado Desert. Rather sprawling in habit, attaining a height of 4 to 7 feet and occasionally more, its branches are armed with short curved prickles. |
| Silene laciniata 'Jack Flash' | Jack Flash Mexican Catchfly | Perennial | 24-30" H x 18" W | Fast | Full to part sun | Moderate | | A long blooming perennial that will flower the first year when started in late winter and early spring. The large star shaped flowers have deeply cut petals, that are a vivid scarlet-orange in color. |
| Sisyrinchium bellum | Western Blue-eyed Grass | Perennial | 18" H x 6" W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | Goes dormant in summer, losing some or all of its leaves, and returns with winter rains. |
| Solanum wallacei | Wallace's Nightshade | Perennial herb | 2-4' H x 1- 3' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Moderate | | Endangered throughout its range. Rare outside California. |
| Solidago californica | Western Goldenrod | Perennial | 2' H x spreading | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Blooms in the fall when everything else is done. Spreads from the roots, but slowly. Attracts butterflies. |

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| <i>Sphaeralcea ambigua</i> | Apricot Mallow | Perennial | 3' H x 3' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | OK to cut back in fall. Excellent butterfly plant. |
| <i>Sphaeralcea fulva</i> | White Globemallow | Perennial | 3' H x 3' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Use in perennial borders or as a softening element in desert gardens. The inflorescences hold up well in flower arrangements. |
| <i>Sporobolus airoides</i> | Alkali Sacaton | Grass | 2' H x 3' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Graceful seedheads on a robust, tough bunchgrass. Loves clay soil. |
| <i>Symphoricarpos albus</i> | Common Snowberry | Shrub | 3-6' H x 3-6' W | Fast | Part to full shade | Moderate | | Good as a shrub border, screen, or hedge. Naturalizes in open woodland areas. Because of suckering habit, plants may be useful for erosion control on slopes or banks. |
| <i>Thymophylla pentachaeta</i> | Fiveneedle Pricklyleaf | Perennial herb | 1' H x 1' W | Moderate | Full sun | Occasional | | A low, tufted, dark green, prickly plant with 1 small, deep yellow flower head on each of several leafless stalks above foliage. |
| <i>Trichostema lanatum</i> | Woolly Bluecurls | Shrub | 4' H x 4' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Drought tolerant | | Plant in dry, well-drained area. No summer water once established. |
| <i>Trixis californica</i> | California Trixis | Shrub | 1-2' H x 1-2' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Dry/semi-dry | | Found in dry, rocky slopes, washes, desert flats. |
| <i>Verbena lilacina</i> 'De La Mina' | De la Mina Lilac Verbena | Shrub | 3' H x 3' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | x | Combines well with sages, mints, and buckwheats. Attracts butterflies with blooms almost all year. |
| <i>Verbesina dissita</i> | Bigleaf Crownbeard | Shrub | 2-3' H x spreading | | Full sun | Occasional | | A rare member of the Aster family. In California it is only known from a small stretch of Laguna Beach, making it a federally listed threatened species in the US. It is also found in 23 locations in Baja California. |
| <i>Vitis californica</i> 'Roger's Red' | Roger's Red Wild Grape | Vine | 40' long vine | Fast | Full to part sun | Occasional | | Edible purple fruit ripens in late summer. Leaves turn bright red in fall. Caution: fruit is toxic to dogs. |

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| <i>Acanthogilia gloriosa</i> | Baja Phlox | Shrub | 1-3' H x 1-4' W | | Full sun | Occasional | | From Baja California. |
| <i>Agave desmettiana</i> | Smooth Agave | Agave | 3-5' H x 3-5' W | Moderate | Part sun | Occasional | | One of the 'soft' and 'people-friendly' agaves. |
| <i>Agave guiengola</i> | Agave guiengola | Succulent | 2-4' H x 3-6' W | Slow | Sun or shade | Infrequent | | Massively thick, white-green glaucous leaves are very broad at the base and taper to a brown terminal spine. Along the edge of the leaves there are many dark-colored teeth. |
| <i>Agave macroacantha</i> | Black-spined Agave | Succulent | 2' H x 4' W | Slow | Full sun | Infrequent | x | This unique blue agave makes a striking container plant with its sausage-like leaves highlighted with dark-brown to black spines and its small size. |
| <i>Agave vilmoriniana</i> | Octopus Agave | Agave | 3-4' H x 3-4' W | Slow | Full to part sun | Infrequent | x | A very unusual looking succulent with leaves that twist back towards the ground, making it look like an octopus with outreaching tentacles. |
| <i>Aloe brevifolia</i> | Short-leaved Aloe | Succulent | 1-2' H x 1-2' W | Slow | Full sun to part shade | Infrequent | x | Drought tolerant ground cover for rocky clay soils. An attractive rock, succulent, and cactus garden plant and is useful in xeriscape. Deer resistant. Also works well as a container plant. |
| <i>Aloe nobilis</i> | Gold Tooth Aloe | Perennial | 6-12" H x 1' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Beautiful golden orange tubular flowers seasonally. Hummingbirds will flock to this plant! |
| <i>Aloe prinslooii</i> | Aloe prinslooii | Succulent | 6-12" H x 6-12" W | Slow | Full sun | Infrequent | x | A small, spotted Aloe endemic to the savanna and open woodland of South Africa. |
| <i>Aquilegia chrysantha</i> | Golden Columbine | Perennial | 2-3' H x 1-2' W | Fast | Part sun to full shade | Moderate | | Not recommended for hot , humid climates. |
| <i>Beschorneria albiflora</i> | Trunking Beschorneria | Succulent | 2-6' H x 3-4' W | Slow | Sun or shade | Moderate | | A stunning traffic stopper! In full sun, regular water is preferred, but with a bit more shade it needs less. |

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| <i>Brachychiton discolor</i> | Lacebark Tree | Tree | 40-65' H x 30' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Moderate | | Adapts well to a variety of climates. Has a spreading crown and grey colored bark with a slightly swollen bottle trunk. |
| <i>Bulbine alooides</i> | Aloe Bulbine | Succulent | 1-2' H x 1-2' W | Fast | Full sun | Occasional | | Resembles Aloe in appearance, but with soft, fleshy leaves and tuberous roots. |
| <i>Calylophus hartwegii</i> | Hartweg's Sundrops | Woody perennial | 1' H x 1' W | Moderate | Part shade | Occasional | | Prefers fast draining soil and loves reflected heat making it an excellent choice for a rock garden or rocky slope. |
| <i>Cantua pyrifolia</i> | <i>Cantua pyrifolia</i> | Shrub | 8' H x 6' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Moderate | | Rare evergreen shrub native to Ecuador and Peru. |
| <i>Cantua volcanica</i> | <i>Cantua volcanica</i> | Woody perennial | 3' H x 4' W | Fast | Full to part sun | Moderate | x | Evergreen woody perennial native to Peru. Interesting narrow, lobed leaves and abundant periwinkle flowers. |
| <i>Cheirolophus canariensis</i> | Purple Powder Majesty | Perennial | 2-4' H x 1-2' W | | Full to part sun | Regular | | A rare perennial with pale purple flowers native to the Canary Islands. |
| <i>Chrysactinia mexicana</i> | Damianita Daisy | Shrub | 1-2' H x 2' W | Moderate | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | Creates a vivid, yellow carpet when massed. Excellent border plant for flower bed or a ground cover for hillsides or hot exposed areas. Showy, aromatic, and attractive . |
| <i>Cuphea micropetala</i> | Candy Corn Plant | Shrub | 1-3' H x 1-3' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Moderate | x | A tireless bloomer best known for its small, tubular flowers, each colored in vivid orange hues and tipped with white, like the ash on a glowing cigar. |
| <i>Dracaena draco</i> | Canary Island Dragon Tree | Tree | 15-25' H x 15-25' W | Slow | Sun or shade | Infrequent | | An attractive and interesting succulent tree. |
| <i>Echium simplex</i> | White Tower of Jewels | Shrub | 4-8' H x 1-2' W | Fast | Full sun | Occasional | | Flowers should be allowed to mature fully so that seed is produced to perpetuate the plant in the garden when it dies after its second or third year. |

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| <i>Echium wildpretii</i> | Tower of Jewels | Biennial | 5-8' H x 1-2' W | Fast | Full sun | Dry/semi-moist | x | Flowers should be allowed to mature fully so that seed is produced to perpetuate the plant in the garden when it dies after its second year. |
| <i>Eriocephalus africanus</i> | Cape Snow Bush | Shrub | 3' H x 3' W | | Full sun | Infrequent | | A small, aromatic shrub indigenous to South Africa, easily recognized by its fluffy, white seed heads. |
| <i>Euphorbia xanti</i> | Baja Spurge | Perennial | 6' H x spreads by rhizomes | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Infrequent | x | An interesting fast growing openly-branched deciduous evergreen shrub. |
| <i>Haworthia limifolia</i> | Fairy Washboard | Succulent | 3-5" H x 3-5" W | Slow | Part shade | Infrequent | x | Particularly easy to grow. Will stay small in a pot and tolerate indoor growing well. |
| <i>Hesperaloe funifera</i> | Giant False Yucca | Subshrub | 6' H x 6' W | Slow-moderate | Full sun | Infrequent | | An excellent, low-maintenance accent plant with a bold, striking form. This clumping, stemless, upright plant grows to 6 feet tall and wide. |
| <i>Huernia keniensis</i> var. <i>globosa</i> | <i>Huernia keniensis</i> var. <i>globosa</i> | Succulent | 6" H x 1' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Infrequent | x | Rare succulent thought to be extinct in its native habitat in Kenya. Interesting dark-colored, globe-shaped flowers. Best grown in containers. |
| <i>Hyalis argentea</i> | Plazia | Flower | 3' H x 3' W | Slow | Full sun | Moderate | | Very silver and narrow leaves make you think it's a grass but it's actually a member of the daisy family. |
| <i>Hypericum aegypticum</i> | Egyptian Saint John's Wort | Shrub | 2-3' H x 1-2' W | Slow | Full sun to part shade | Infrequent | x | A great little plant for a container, a tight spot or in the rock garden. |
| <i>Hypericum balearicum</i> | Warty Saint John's Wort | Shrub | 3' H x 2' W | | Full to part sun | Moderate | | An easy plant to keep. Thriving under substandard conditions, this herb prefers sunny, dry places, poor soil and is disease resistant. |

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| Lampranthus spectabilis | Trailing Ice Plant | Succulent | 6-12" H x 18-26" W | Moderate | Full sun to part shade | Occasional | | A tender perennial with a sprawling habit that provides a spectacular floral display with an abundance of daisy-like blossoms. Native to South Africa. |
| Leonotis leonurus | Lion's Tail | Shrub | 4-8' H x 4-6' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Has flowers that resemble fuzzy orange golf balls. Must be kept very dry in winter when growing in climates with cold, wet winters. |
| Linum thunbergii | Linum thunbergii | Perennial | 1-3' H x 1-3' W | Moderate | Full sun | Regular | | Erect perennial herb, unbranched for most of its length. Native to Africa. |
| Mammillaria elongata 'Irish Red' | Irish Red Ladyfinger Cactus | Cactus | 1' H x 6" W | Slow | Full sun to part shade | Infrequent | x | Plants offset and branch freely, forming clusters of elongated stems covered with small reddish spines. |
| Mammillaria vetula ssp. gracilis | Thimble Cactus | Cactus | 2-3" H x 6" W | Slow | Full sun to part shade | Infrequent | x | Fabulous for use in rockeries and potted gardens. Great for fairy gardens and miniature gardens. Handle with care; offshoots break off easily. |
| Melianthus major | Honey Flower | Shrub | 8-12' H x 8-12' W | Fast | Sun or shade | Drought tolerant | | Quite the dramatic and tropical looking accent plant. Prized for its large and luxuriant, serrated, blue-grey leaves. Upright, maroon flower spikes are fascinating. |
| Nolina lindheimeriana | Devil's Shoestring | Grass | 2-3' H x 2-3' W | Slow | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | In a landscape, would be an excellent choice as a focal point or ground cover for dry, shaded spots on well drained soils. |
| Opuntia articulatus var. papyracanthus | Paper Spine Cactus | Cactus | 1' H x 1' W | Slow | Full sun | Infrequent | x | A slow-growing, segmented, bushy cactus. The spines are papery, soft, and flat. |
| Plectranthus australis | Swedish Ivy | Perennial | 2-3' H x 2-3' W | Fast | Part shade | Moderate | x | A tender trailing plant often grown in baskets. |
| Plectranthus ernstii | Bonsai Mint | Perennial | 12-18" H x 6-12" W | Slow | Full to part sun | Moderate | x | Tuberous roots develop at the soil line, making it a great choice for bonsai. |
| Puya mirabilis | Puya | Bromeliad | 12-18" H x 18-24" W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Drought tolerant | | Exotic, flaring, lime-green bells open on stiff upright stems which erupt in early spring. |

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| <i>Russelia equisetiformis</i> | Coral Fountain | Shrub | 4-5' H x 4-5' W | Fast | Sun or shade | Moderate | | In full sun the stems and leaves can take on a reddish tint. Can be trained up a trellis to make a taller more vertical plant. |
| <i>Salvia canariensis</i> var. <i>candidissima</i> | Wooly Canary Island Sage | Shrub | 5' H x 5' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | | Adds texture and color just by the glorious foliage alone. From summer the blooms take center stage with its long inflorescences topped with purple flowers. |
| <i>Salvia coccinea</i> 'Coral Nymph' | Coral Nymph Tropical Sage | Shrub | 2-4' H x 2-3' W | Fast | Full sun | Drought tolerant | x | A graceful variety producing multiple spikes of bi-color coral and white blooms all season. A beautiful addition to borders or containers with its dense and bushy form. |
| <i>Sansevieria trifasciata</i> 'Hahnii' | Bird's Nest Sansevieria | Perennial | 6-12" H x 6" W | | Part to full shade | Drought tolerant | x | A stemless succulent with dark green leaves with clear horizontal bands, arranged in an attractive rosette. Makes a great house plant. |
| <i>Solandra maxima</i> | Cup of Gold Vine | Vine | 20-30' long vine | Fast | Full sun | Moderate | | Flowers age darker and are fragrant, particularly in the evening, with a banana or vanilla aroma. |
| <i>Teucrium fruticans</i> | Shrubby Germander | Shrub | 5-6' H x 5-6' W | Moderate | Full to part sun | Occasional | | A drought-tolerant beauty that basks in full sun. |
| <i>Thamnochortus insignis</i> | Thatching Reed | Grass-like | 4-6' H x 6-8' W | Moderate | Full sun | Occasional | | Plant in full sun and give it room to grow. A very durable plant that will tolerate drought once established. |
| <i>Trichodesma scottii</i> | Socotran Borage | Shrub | 5' H x 4' W | Fast | Full sun to part shade | Occasional | | Upright evergreen shrub to 4-5' tall with 7" x 4" leaves and large umbels of 1 inch pendant white flowers in winter and spring. The flower has been described by some as looking like an "upturned mop". |

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| Veltheimia bracteata | Forest Lily | Flower | 1-2' H x 1-2' W | Moderate | Part sun to part shade | Regular | x | A very unusual and exotic bulb from South Africa. Shiny, wide, bright green leaves form low rosettes which are beautiful by themselves. The flower spikes are long rose-pink hanging bells with green tips. |