Plants with Significant Drought Tolerance

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Public interest in plants with relatively low water requirements has come and gone several times over the past few decades. Each new dry cycle seems to bring a new awakening, a new missionary movement, and the "learning" of new approaches to gardening. All of these seem to be quickly forgotten soon after the wet years return. In the long run, however, it is clear that with a growing population and (at least in our lifetimes) declining rainfall averages over much of the state, Californians will be gardening with less water, like it or not, even in the best of years. Fortunately, there is already a large body of information on which to draw, some of it—like new developments in drip and spitter irrigation—being compiled continuously in the interest of more economical garden maintenance. Some of the best information on particular plants comes simply from observing neglected or abandoned gardens, regardless of current weather patterns.

Partly by design, partly by pursuing other fancies with plant groups from California, the Southwest, Mexico, temperate South America, Australia and South Africa, we at Suncrest have gradually accumulated a collection of several hundred plants with a record of at least moderate tolerance of summer drought. This means simply that they can be maintained in good condition with substantially less summer irrigation than the average popular garden plant (and vastly less than the lawns that still fill major portions of the typical California garden). The fact that most of these plants are also beautiful, fill nearly every possible garden niche, and collectively provide year-round seasonal interest, would make them desirable garden candidates even if water were not an issue. We hope you'll find the following listing helpful.

Note: A "CN" at the left margin, preceding a plant name, describes the plant as a California native.

[™]Abutilon palmeri

Native shrublet, to 2-3'. Furry grey leaves, bright apricot flowers.

Acacia pravissima 'Golden Carpet'

Beautiful flowing growth, pointed leaves, bright yellow flowers.

Acacia rigens

To 9'. Thin erect stems, bright yellow flowers, late winter.

Acanthus mollis

Bear's breech. Shiny lobed large leaves. White-lavender flowers.

Acanthus spinosus

Clumping, to 18". Flower stems to 3'. White flowers. Dark green leaves.

Achillea 'Appleblossom'

Ferny green mat; flat heads, dark pink flowers age white.

Achillea x kellereri

6-10"; bright grey stems and leaves, pure white flowers.

Achillea millefolium 'Fireland'

Ferny green mat; flat heads, orange red flowers.

Achillea millefolium 'Lavender Beauty'

Ferny green mat; flat heads, lavender-pink flowers.

^{CN}Achillea millefolium 'Pink Island Form'

Broad mats; 1-2' stems, bright pink flowers.

Achillea millefolium 'Red Beauty'

Dark green leaves; 1-2' stems; dark red flowers.

Achillea millefolium 'Red Velvet'

Yarrow. Dark rosy red flowers stay bright; green leaves.

Achillea 'Moonshine'

Grey leaves; large yellow flower heads.

Achillea 'Paprika'

Matting. Dark green leaves, 1-2' stems, dark orange flowers.

Achillea 'Salmon Beauty'

1-2' flower stems; dark pink fading to salmon flowers.

Achillea 'Summerwine'

Dark green leaves; 1-2' stems; dark red flowers.

Achillea 'Sunbeam'

Stiffly erect flower stems to 2', bright yellow flat flower heads.

Achillea tomentosa 'King George'

Dwarf yarrow; grey-green mats, cream-yellow flowers.

Achillea tomentosa 'Maynard's Gold'

Broad carpets, grey-green leaves, bright yellow flowers.

Achillea 'Weser River Sandstone'

Ferny green mat; dark coral flowers fade cream.

^{cn} Achnatherum coronatum

CA bunch grass. Green leaves; narrow flower stems to 4'+, erect.

^{CN} Achnatherum hymenoides

Indian ricegrass. Low clumps to 1'; distinctive flower heads.

^{cn} Achnatherum occidentalis ssp. pubescens

CA bunch grass. Fine low leaves; slender flower stems to 2'.

Adenanthos cuneatus 'Coral Drift'

UCSC/Koala Blooms. 2-3' high/3-5' wide. Blue-grey leaves, pink new growth.

Adenanthos detmoldii 'Metallica'

UCSC/Koala Blooms. 5-7' high/3-5' wide. Silky new leaves, cream/orange flowers.

Adenanthos sericea

Woollybush. 8'+. Silky grey leaves. Small orange tubular flowers.

[™]Aesculus californica

CA buckeye. 20' x 30'. White to pink flower candles in spring.

Agastache cana

To 2', branching. Clusters of 1" purplish pink flowers.

Agastache rugosa 'Heronswood Mist'

3'. Aromatic dark green leaves; dense, deep blue purple spikes.

^{CN} Allium unifolium

Showy native; 1-2' stems, dark pink flowers, spring. Summer dormant.

Amarygia hybrids

Naked lady. Large, fragrant flowers, deep rose to white, in midsummer.

Anigozanthos 'Dwarf Pink'

Deep pink fuzzy flowers on stems to 2'.

Anigozanthos flavidus—bicolor form

Kangaroo paw; 5-6' stems, pale green/light pink flowers.

Anigozanthos flavidus—blush red

Kangaroo paw; 5-6' stems, furry light red flowers.

Anigozanthos flavidus 'Burnt Orange'

Kangaroo paw; 5-6' stems, dark orange flowers set on deep red stems.

Anigozanthos flavidus—dark red

Kangaroo paw; 3' flower stems, tubular flowers.

Anigozanthos flavidus—green

Kangaroo paw; 3-6'. Clusters of green tubular flowers on dark flower stems.

Anigozanthos 'Harmony'

Vigorous; 3-4' high. Dark, shiny leaves, reddish stems, yellow flowers.

Anigozanthos 'Orange Cross'

Kangaroo paw; dark green leaves, orange flowers on 3'+ stems.

Anigozanthos 'Pink Joey'

Kangaroo paw; dark green leaves, pink flowers on 4-5' stems.

Anigozanthos 'Red Cross'

Kangaroo paw; iris-like leaves, deep red flowers, to 5'.

Anigozanthos 'Regal Claw'

Kangaroo paw; stems to 5'+; green flowers, orange fuzz.

Anigozanthos rufus

Kangaroo paw; 2-3' stems topped by dark red flowers.

Anigozanthos 'Yellow Gem'

4-5'. Kangaroo paw, yellow flowers with red stems.

Arbutus 'Marina'

50'+ tall. Glossy dark green leaves. Pink & white flowers, red fruits.

[™]Arbutus menziesii

Madrone; native tree; white flowers, red fruit, cinnamon bark. 20-40'.

[™]Arctostaphylos 'Austin Griffiths'

To 8' high/wide. Dense. Greyish green leaves, light pink flowers.

[™]Arctostaphylos bakeri 'Louis Edmunds'

To 6'; broad grey-green leaves, deep pink flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Sentinel'

4-5', bushy; grey-green leaves, pale pink flowers.

[™]Arctostaphylos edmundsii 'Bert Johnson'

To 2' high/6' wide. Little Sur manzanita. Bronze new leaves.

[™]Arctostaphylos edmundsii 'Big Sur'

3-5'. Mounding habit. Masses of white flowers with pink base.

[™]Arctostaphylos edmundsii 'Carmel Sur'

Fast, dense. 10" high x 6' wide, bronzy new foliage, white flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos edmundsii 'Rosy Dawn'

Manzanita groundcover,12" high/6' wide, Ken Taylor introduction. Red leaf edges.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos 'Greensphere'

Round, tight 3' shrub; grey-green leaves, light pink/white flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Buxifolia'

Low, compact, small-leaved selection with white flowers.

^{cN} Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Ken Taylor'

Prostrate selection grows 15" high/6' wide. Dense habit. White flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Monterey Carpet'

Monterey manzanita; prostrate 12" high/6' wide.

^{cn} Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Wayside'

3-4' high x 8' wide. White flowers, grey-green leaves.

^{cn} Arctostaphylos 'John Dourley'

Hybrid manzanita; 2' high/8' wide. Bronze tint on new leaves, pink flowers.

^{cn}Arctostaphylos 'Lester Rowntree'

Shrub/small tree to 10' x 12'. Purplish trunks, white flowers with pink base.

^{cn}Arctostaphylos 'Lutsko's Pink'

4-6' high/wide. Densiflora hybrid. Dark stems, green leaves; pink flowers.

^{cn}Arctostaphylos manzanita 'Dr. Hurd'

Parry manzanita. 10'+; spreading canopy, dark green leaves, white flowers.

^{cN} Arctostaphylos manzanita 'St. Helena'

Parry manzanita. To 10'+; stout, wide-spreading, white flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos morroensis

4-5' x 8'. Blue-grey leaves; white flowers in spring.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos 'Pacific Mist'

30" high/10' wide mound. Narrow grey leaves, few white flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos pajaroensis 'Paradise'

To 12'. Pajaro manzanita. Dark pink flowers, bronze new leaves.

^{cn} Arctostaphylos pajaroensis 'Warren Roberts'

Pajaro manzanita; 6' high/10' wide. Red new leaves, pink flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos refugioensis

To 10'+, upright, bushy. Red new growth, white flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos rudis 'Vandenberg'

WGN selection; bushy, to 5'; bronze tips, pink flowers.

^{CN} Arctostaphylos 'Sunset'

4-5' high/wide. Bronze new leaves; pinkish white flowers.

^{CN}Arctostaphylos viridissima 'White Cloud'

Tilden introduction, to 8'. Sturdy trunks, furry stems, broad leaves, white flowers.

^{cn} Arctostaphylos 'Winterglow'

2'+. New leaves bronzy red, pink flowers.

Armeria maritima 'Dusseldorf Pride'

Thick green 6" mounds; bright pink flowers.

Armeria maritima 'Rubrifolia'

Low cushion with burgundy leaves, pink spring flowers.

Armeria 'Pink Lusitanica'

6-10", compact. Balls of deep pink flowers top 6" stems.

Armeria 'Victor Reiter'

Tight clump, grey-green needle leaves. Bright pink flowers, spring-summer.

Artemisia 'Beth Chatto'

Tight dwarf shrublet, to 1' high/18"wide, silvery leaves.

Artemisia 'Powis Castle'

To 3'+, spreading; large grey, dissected leaves. Fast, easy.

^{cn}Artemisia pycnocephala 'David's Choice'

Sandhill sage; 8-10" x 2'+ tight mounds; furry white foliage.

[™]Artemisia tridentata var. vaseyana

Sagebrush. This form to 4', bushy, silvery, aromatic foliage.

Asclepias tuberosa

Butterfly weed; 1-2' stems, bright orange heads.

Asphodeline lutea

2-4' stems; narrow, drooping leaves; starry yellow flowers. Summer dormant.

Athanasia acerosa

5' shrub. Dissected grey fragrant leaves. Dense heads of yellow flowers.

Babiana 'Blue Gem'

Baboon flower; dark blue-purple flowers. Spring bloom, summer dormant.

Babiana 'Bright Eyes'

Baboon flower; pleated leaves; 1' stems; purple flowers.

Babiana 'Dark Mood'

Baboon flower; deep rose flowers have maroon markings.

Babiana 'Deep Dreams'

Deep blue flowers with muted white markings.

Babiana 'Deep Magic'

Baboon flower; flowers reddish purple with dark tips.

Babiana 'Electric Rose'

12-18". Baboon flower; dense clumps; flowers vivid rose.

Babiana 'Flash'

Baboon flower. Flowers vivid reddish violet and purple.

Babiana 'Night Vision'

Baboon flower. Deep purple and red flowers on 1' stems, spring.

Babiana rubrocyanea

Baboon flower; flowers purple with maroon centers.

Babiana 'Scintillation'

Heavy-blooming selection; flowers lavender and white.

Babiana 'Snowdrop'

Floriferous hybrid with pure white flowers.

[™]Baccharis pilularis 'Pigeon Point'

1-2' high/6' wide. Dwarf coyote brush. Rounded bright green leaves.

[™]Baccharis pilularis 'Twin Peaks #2'

2' high/6' wide. Mounding habit. Grey-green leaves.

Baeckea virgata

Wispy Leptospermum ally to 8'+; fragrant white flowers.

Ballota pseudodictamnus

18" high/wide. Dense mound. White flowers, furry grey-green leaves.

Banksia spinulosa 'Schnapper Point'

UCSC/Koala Blooms intro. 2-3' x 4-5'. Yellow-and-red "corncobs" fall-winter.

Bulbinella robusta

Shiny narrow leaves, bright yellow "torches" winter-spring. Summer dormant.

Callistemon 'Cane's Hybrid'

UCSC/Koala Blooms intro. To 10', bushy. Pale pink flowers. Silky new leaves.

Callistemon 'King's Park Special'

8-12'. Bushy, with masses of bright red flowers spring-summer.

Callistemon 'Little John'

Bottlebrush; dwarf, 3' round, dense. Red flowers.

Callistemon 'Mauve Mist'

Bottlebrush; 6-10'. Mauve-pink brushes in summer.

[™]Calocedrus decurrens

Incense cedar, 40'+. Fragrant red bark, sprays of flat leaves.

^{cn}Carex praegracilis

Western meadow sedge. Rhizomatous, lawn substitute.

[™]Ceanothus 'Blue Cloud'

8-12' high/wide. Shiny green leaves; sky blue flowers are profuse.

^{cn}Ceanothus 'Blue Jeans'

Round, dense, to 6'. Small dark leaves, lavender flowers.

[™]Ceanothus 'Centennial'

1'+ x 10'. Small dark leaves, vivid blue flowers.

[™]Ceanothus 'Concha'

Arching 6', dark narrow leaves; electric blue flowers, spring.

^{cN}Ceanothus 'Cynthia Postan'

6-8' high/wide. Shiny dark green leaves; blue flowers, pinkish buds.

^{CN}Ceanothus 'Dark Star'

6' x 12'; small leaves, masses of cobalt-blue flowers.

^{cn}Ceanothus foliosus 'Berryhill'

2-3'; tiny, shiny leaves, small blue flower clusters.

[™]Ceanothus 'Frosty Blue'

8'+. Rounded shrub/small tree, blue flowers in spring.

^{cn}Ceanothus hearstiorum

6" high/10' wide. Narrow, textured leaves, bright blue flowers.

^{CN}Ceanothus impressus 'Puget Blue'

To 5'+, spreading. Small puckered leaves, lavender-blue flowers.

^{cn}Ceanothus impressus 'Vandenberg'

WGN. Dwarf, tiny-leaved selection. Bright blue flower puffs.

[™]Ceanothus 'Joan Mirov'

CA lilac. Dark blue flowers coat 3' high/10' wide shrub.

[™]Ceanothus 'Joyce Coulter'

4' high/6' wide. 3" medium blue, fragrant flower clusters.

[™]Ceanothus 'Julia Phelps'

6' high/12' wide; dense, with small leaves, electric blue flowers.

^{cn}Ceanothus maritimus 'Frosty Dawn'

2' high/3' wide. Carpeting habit, greyish leaves, dark blue flowers.

[™]Ceanothus maritimus 'Pt. Sierra'

2' high/3' wide. Carpeting habit, greyish leaves, purple flowers.

[™]Ceanothus 'Ray Hartman'

10-20'; large, dark leaves, masses of blue flowers.

^{cn}Ceanothus 'Ray Hartman'—staked columns

10-20'; large, dark leaves, masses of blue flowers.

^{cn}Ceanothus rigidus 'Snowball'

Low, mounding, to 4'; dense growth; small white flowers.

[™]Ceanothus 'Tassajara Blue'

6-8' high/12' wide. Bright blue flowers, shiny green 2-3" leaves.

[™]Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Arroyo de la Cruz'

WGN selection; mounding to 5' x 10'; blue flowers.

[™]Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Snow Flurry'

6-20'; dense growth, shiny leaves, white flowers.

^{cN}Ceanothus 'Wheeler Canyon'

4' high/8' wide; dense; textured leaves, pink buds, blue flowers.

Centranthus lecoqii

Valerian; bushy, to 3'+; blue-green leaves, lavender-pink flowers.

Centranthus ruber 'Albus'

Valerian; bushy, to 3'+; blue-green leaves, white flowers.

Centranthus ruber 'Coccineus'

Valerian; bushy, grey-green leaves, profuse red flowers.

Centranthus ruber 'Rosenrot'

Valerian; bushy perennial; greyish leaves, pink flowers.

[™]Cercis occidentalis—dark Lake Co. strain

Western redbud; deep colored magenta flowers, bushy to 6-15'.

Cercis siliquastrum

Judas tree. To 25'. Heart shaped leaves, purple-rose flowers.

^{cn}Cercocarpus betuloides

Mountain mahogany. Striking creamy seed plumes. Erect, arching shrub.

[™]Cheilanthes covillei

Rock fern. Dense clumps, fuzzy, much-divided fronds.

Chondropetalum elephantinum

Dark green clumps to 5'+. Chestnut bracts, dark flowers.

Cistus x aguilarii—aka 'Blanche'

Upright, to 5'+; leaves with wavy edges, large white flowers.

Cistus 'Bennett's White'

Pure white petals have frilled edges; dark green leaves.

Cistus x bornetianus 'Jester'

3' high/wide. Rounded mound; grey-green leaves; medium pink flowers.

Cistus creticus ssp. creticus 'Lasithi'

2'+ high/wide. Dark sage green crinkled leaves; lavender-pink flowers.

Cistus x dansereaui 'Jenkyn Place'

4' high/wide. Green aromatic leaves; many 3" white flowers with red spot.

Cistus x dansereaui 'Portmeirion'

4-5' high/wide. Dark green aromatic leaves, pure white 3" flowers.

Cistus x florentinus 'Tramontane'

2' high/4' wide. Dark green leaves, many white flowers in spring.

Cistus 'Gordon Cooper'

2' high/6' wide. Green leaves; many white flowers with red petal spot.

Cistus hybridus (corbariensis)

2-5' mound, white flowers with yellow center, green leaves.

Cistus incanus

Bushy, to 3'+. Grey leaves, dark pink flowers.

Cistus incanus 'LASCA Select'

3-4' high/5-6' wide. Grey leaves, dark pink flowers. Dense.

Cistus x laxus

4-5' high/wide. Crinkled light green leaves; pure white 2" flowers.

Cistus x purpureus

Orchid rockrose. 4' compact mound. 3" purple flowers.

Cistus 'Ruby Cluster'

2' high/6' wide. Sage green leaves, white flowers have red petal spot.

Cistus salviifolius 'Prostratus'

Dense, prostrate rockrose, 1' high/6' wide; white flowers in spring-summer.

Cistus 'Santa Cruz'

3' compact, grey-leaved; dark pink 2" flowers.

Cistus x skanbergii

2-3' mound; soft grey leaves, clusters of pale pink flowers.

Cistus 'Sunset'

3' mound; greyish leaves, dark pink flowers.

Cistus 'Victor Reiter'

To 5' high. Erect habit. Bright salmon-pink flowers have white centers.

^{cn}Clematis lasiantha

Chaparral clematis; lacy leaves, clustered white flowers, fluffy seeds.

[™]Coreopsis gigantea

Thick trunk to 4'+ topped by lacy green leaves, yellow daisies.

Cotinus coggygria 'Purpureus'—staked

Purple smoke tree, to 10'; large purplish leaves, pink puff flowers.

Cotinus coggygria 'Velvet Cloak'

Purple smoke tree; large rich purple leaves, pink puff flowers.

Cotinus 'Grace'

Smoke tree. Large red leaves, huge pink flower puffs.

Cotoneaster congestus 'Liaking'

5" high/6' wide. Small, very dark leaves, white flowers. Evergreen.

Cotoneaster microphyllus var. thymifolius

2' high/6' wide. Compact, upright branches. Red fruit.

Cotoneaster salicifolius 'Gnom'

Procumbent, 1' high/5-6' wide, with narrow green leaves, light red fruits.

Crassula nudicaulis var. platyphylla

Round green leaves, full clumps. Many white flowers, summer.

Cupressus 'Blue Pyramid'

Arizona cypress. To 25'. Dense blue-grey pyramidal habit.

^{cn}Cupressus macrocarpa

25'+high. Monterey cypress. Open habit, dark green leaves.

^{cn}Cupressus macrocarpa 'Citriodora'

Selected form; dense habit, golden foliage, lemon scent. 15-20'.

Cupressus sempervirens 'Glauca'

Blue Italian cypress, to 60'; narrow columns.

Dasylirion wheeleri

3' crowns, grey leaves with spiny edges; tall spikes of cream flowers.

Delosperma congestum

Hardy succulent. Tight green clump; bright yellow flowers.

Delosperma lavisiae

Matting hardy succulent. Dark narrow leaves, magenta flower.

[™] Dendromecon harfordii

Island bush poppy; to 6'; grey-green leaves, bright yellow flowers.

^{CN} Dudleya caespitosa

Live-forever; succulent rosettes, yellow flowers. Spreading.

^{CN} Dudleya cymosa

Live-forever; succulent rosettes, red to yellow flowers.

[™]Dudleya farinosa

Cliff lettuce. White rosettes in clumps. Pale yellow flowers.

^{CN} Dudleya hassei

Live-forever; tightly clumping, cylindrical greyish leaves.

Dyckia 'Morris Hobbs'

4' flower stems, orange flowers. Prickly purplish succulent leaves.

Echeveria 'Imbricata'

Broad blue-grey rosettes, pink edges. Coral spikes with yellow flowers.

Echium fastuosum

Pride of Madeira; huge purple flower spikes on mounding shrub, 3-5'+.

Echium fastuosum 'Cielo del Sur'

To 5' x 8'. Long grey leaves, towers of bright blue flowers.

Echium gentianoides

3-4'. Shrubby, with smooth grey leaves, spikes of bright blue flowers.

Echium 'Purple Tower'

E. wildpretii x pininana; 10'+; huge leaves, purple flower spikes, columnar habit.

Echium wildpretii

Tower of jewels; massive pink flower spikes to 8'. Biennial.

Eremophila racemosa

Easter egg bush. Rounded form to 3-4'. Flowers change gold to pink to rose.

^{CN}Ericameria ericoides

Mock heather. Tiny green leaves; bright yellow flowers summer-fall. 2' mound.

Erigeron karvinskianus 'Profusion'

Trailing, slender stems; narrow leaves, white flowers from pink buds.

Erigeron x moerheimii

Low, mounding hybrid; narrow leaves, lavender-pink daisies.

[™]Eriogonum arborescens

2-4'. Santa Cruz Island buckwheat. Ivory-pink flat flower heads.

[™]Eriogonum crocatum

1' high. Saffron buckwheat. Silvery leaves, yellow flowers.

[™]Eriogonum elongatum

Low grey leaf-clumps; slender silver stems to 3', round pinkish flowers in summer.

[™]Eriogonum fasciculatum 'Theodore Payne'

Buckwheat. 1' high/4'+ wide. Dark green leaves, white/pink flowers.

[™]Eriogonum giganteum

5'+ high/wide. St. Catherine's Lace. Cream flower head, oval grey leaves.

[™]Eriogonum grande var. rubescens

Red buckwheat; blue-grey leaves, bright rose pink flowers. 1-2' mound.

[™]Eriogonum parvifolium

Tangled, dense 2' mound. Green leaves, round pink flower heads.

™ Eriogonum umbellatum var. polyanthum 'Shasta Sulfur'

Sulphur flower; low, mounding; grey leaves, bright yellow flowers.

^{CN} Eriogonum wrightii var. subscaposum

4" high/2' wide. Narrow grey leaves, lacy clusters of white to pinkish flowers...

^{cn} Eriophyllum confertiflorum

Golden yarrow, 2' high/wide. Yellow flowers, spring-summer. Grey leaves.

Eryngium pandanifolium

6-10'. Large yucca-like crowns; huge flower sprays with balls of white flowers...

^{cn}Erysimum menziesii ssp. concinnum

Wallflower. Fragrant creamy yellow flowers, spring.

Escallonia 'Fradesii'

Frades escallonia. 5-6' high + wide. Pink flowers, glossy leaves. Dense habit.

Euphorbia characias

2-3'; blue-grey leaves, chartreuse flower clusters.

Euphorbia characias 'Portuguese Velvet'

2'; blue-green velvety leaves, chartreuse flower clusters.

Euphorbia characias 'Tasmanian Tiger' PP#15715

Bright leaves with wide cream edges; cream and green flowers.

Euphorbia characias ssp. wulfenii

4'; narrow leaves, huge chartreuse flower clusters.

Euphorbia myrsinites

8-12" stems snake out from central crown. Blue-grey leaves, chartreuse flowers.

Euphorbia nicaeensis

Low, spreading. Light green leaves; yellow flowers.

Euryops lateriflorus

3'. Bright yellow daisies in spring.

Euryops tysonii

3' mound. Small green leaves; many yellow flowers summer-fall.

™ Fallugia paradoxa

Apache plume, shrub to 4-6'high/5'wide. White flowers, silky seed heads.

[™]Festuca californica

Dense clumps to 2', deep green leaves, flower stems to 4'. Great for dry shade.

[™]Festuca californica 'Blue Fountain'

Elegant native grass; blue-green leaves, flower stems to 4'.

™ Festuca idahoensis 'Stony Creek'

Tilden Botanic Garden intro. 2'+. Brightest blue leaves, dense clumps.

[™]Festuca idahoensis 'Warren Peak'

Compact tufts to 1'. Blue leaves, shiny stems and flower heads.

Festuca tenuifolia

Compact tufts; soft, thread-like green leaves.

[™]Fremontodendron 'California Glory'

Flannel bush; 20'+ high/wide. 3" cupped yellow flowers.

[™]Fremontodendron californicum

Flannel bush; 8-20'; fuzzy leaves, yellow flowers.

^{CN} Fremontodendron decumbens hybrids

Variable forms. 1-5' high/4'+ wide. Gold to tawny orange flowers.

™ Fremontodendron 'Ken Taylor'

Low-growing selection to 5' high by 10' wide; orange-tinged flowers.

[™]Fremontodendron 'Pacific Sunset'

To 30'; Upright; large leaves, golden flowers.

[™]Fremontodendron 'San Gabriel'

Fremontia. To 30'. Deep lobed leaves. Golden flowers.

Furcraea longaeva

Yucca-like perennial; tall flower stems to 8'+. Plantlets form on flower stems after cream flowers.

Gaillardia aristata

Firewheel. Large daisies have red centers, yellow tips.

[™]Galvezia speciosa ['Boca Rosa']

3'. Bushy, many red tubular flowers, furry light green leaves.

[™]Garrya elliptica 'Evie'

Silktassel. To 15' tall/8' wide. Many 1'+ pendant flower tassels, late winter.

[™]Garrya elliptica 'James Roof'

Silktassel. To 18' high/12' wide. 10-12" pendant flower clusters, late winter.

Gazania linearis

Hardy gazania. Bright green leaves, yellow flowers, summer.

Gazania 'Slate'

Silvery white leaves; large cream flowers, reddish violet markings.

Genista lydia

Prostrate broom, 1' high/2'+ wide; bright yellow flowers in spring. Not invasive.

Geranium incanum

Billowy carpet of dissected leaves, dark red flowers.

Geranium palmatum

To 3'+; large, shiny green leaves; purple-red flowers.

Gladiolus 'Lemon Moon'

Hybrid with dark grassy leaves, full lemon-yellow flowers in spring. Summer dry.

Gladiolus 'Painted Tips'

To 18". Slender stems and leaves, light pink flowers with dark tips.

Gladiolus 'Rose Delight'

x colvillei hybrid. Rose-colored flowers with white markings.

Gladiolus tristis 'Moonlight'

WGN. Selected form with large, pale yellow, night-fragrant flowers. Summer dry.

Graptopetalum paraguayense

Ghost plant. Spreading, peachy grey-green rosettes.

Grevillea alpina 'East Grampians'

2' high x 6' wide; fuzzy bright green leaves, orange and yellow flowers.

Grevillea 'Austraflora Canterbury Gold'

4-5' high, widely spreading; narrow green leaves, yellow flowers, long bloom.

Grevillea 'Canberra Gem'

8'+; dense needle-like leaves; cherry red flowers.

Grevillea 'Constance'

10'; narrow green leaves; orange-red flower clusters, long bloom.

Grevillea x gaudichaudii

Carpeting, to 15' wide; dissected leaves, dark red flowers.

Grevillea lanigera 'Coastal Gem'

UCSC/Koala Blooms. Tight form, furry grey leaves, vivid deep pink flowers.

Grevillea lanigera—selected low form

Low, bushy, to 2' high x 4-5' wide; greyish, furry leaves, dark pink flowers.

Grevillea lavandulacea 'Billywing'

Compact, to 3'; fuzzy grey leaves on stiff stems, bright red flowers.

Grevillea 'Long John'—staked

To 8'+; upright habit, narrowly divided leaves, rose red flowers.

Grevillea 'Noellii'

To 4', arching, red flowers, dense dark green, pine needle-like leaves.

Grevillea 'Robyn Gordon'—staked

4'+ x 10'; open, draping growth, dissected leaves, rose red flowers.

Grevillea rosmarinifolia—dwarf pink ('Vectis'?)

3-4', compact; needle-like green leaves, rose-pink flowers.

Grevillea rosmarinifolia 'Scarlet Sprite'

3-4', compact; green needle-like leaves, bright red flowers.

Grevillea 'Ruby Clusters'

6'+, bushy; narrow 3" deep green leaves, dark ruby red flowers.

Grevillea synapheae

UCSC/Koala Blooms. 2-3'. Finely cut reddish leaves, creamy fragrant flowers.

Grevillea victoriae 'Marshall's Seedling'

8'; upright stems, olive-like leaves, orange-red flowers.

Halimiocistus 'Ingwersenii'

2' high/10'+wide. Medium green leaves; profuse pure white flowers, spring.

Halimiocistus wintonensis 'Merrist Wood Cream'

Pale yellow flowers have deep red center, spring. Grey-green leaves.

Halimium ocymoides

Low mound to 2'+. Grey leaves; spring flowers are bright yellow with red center.

Helichrysum bracteatum—double white

Strawflower. Large white flowers open over grey-green mound.

Helictotrichon sempervirens

Blue oat grass. 18" tidy clump. Feathery flower heads, blue foliage.

Helictotrichon sempervirens 'Sapphire'

Blue oat grass. 18" foliage mound. Blue-grey leaves.

Hermannia flammea

2' shrub. Orange red bells on upright stems.

Hermannia verticillata

Honeybells; trailing shrub under 2' high. Fragrant yellow bell-flowers.

Hesperantha buchrii

1-2' cormous perennial; narrow leaves, small pink flowers. Summer dormant.

[™]Heteromeles arbutifolia

Toyon; 6-12'; large dark green leaves, white summer flowers turn to red berries.

[™]Heteromeles arbutifolia 'Barrel Springs'

Toyon; selected for large dark green leaves, abundant dark red berries.

[™]Heterotheca villosa 'San Bruno Mountain'

Low, dark greyish-green, furry mat. Golden daisies bloom spring-summer.

^{CN} Holodiscus discolor

Sea foam. 6-10' shrub with veiny leaves, pendant airy cream flower clusters.

Homoglossum huttonii

Gladiolus ally; grassy leaves, burnt orange flowers spring. Summer dormant.

Ipheion 'Rolf Fiedler'

Spring star flower. 8" blue-green leaves, bright blue flowers.

Ipheion uniflorum ['Album']

Spring star flower. 8" blue-green leaves, pure white flowers.

Ipheion uniflorum 'Froyle Mill'

Spring star flower. 8" blue-green leaves, deep lavender-blue flowers.

™ Iris 'Black Eyes'

SCN Pacifica hybrid. Deep reddish violet flowers, large black eyes.

™ Iris 'Ciao'

Ghio Pacifica hybrid. Bright ruffled gold flowers, dwarf plant.

[™]Iris 'Deep Magic'

Pacifica hybrid. Shining royal purple flowers in spring.

™ Iris douglasiana

Lavender, white and blue vein-patterned flowers.

[™]Iris douglasiana 'Canyon Snow'

Dense clumps; dark, shiny leaves; large white flowers.

^{cn}Iris douglasiana 'Portuguese Beach'

Wide green leaves; purple flowers in spring.

^{cn} Iris 'Escalona'

Ghio Pacifica hybrid. Crimson flowers have gold petal edges.

[™] Iris innominata—purple

Small, slender-leaved native. Dainty purple flowers.

™ Iris 'Little Warrior'

WGN hybrid; dwarf, with violet flowers.

^{CN} Iris 'Little Witch'

SCN hybrid.; dwarf clump, with violet flowers, white and yellow center.

^{cn}Iris macrosiphon 'Mt. Madonna'

Small, narrow-leaved native; dainty, purple flowers.

™ Iris 'Madonna Too'

SCN hybrid. Grassy leaves, bright lavender flowers.

[™]Iris 'Mauvette'

SCN Pacifica hybrid. Compact form, many two-tone mauve pink flowers.

™ Iris 'Orchid Glow'

SCN hybrid. Dwarf clump. Large orchid flowers with dark eye.

[™] Iris 'Petite Violets'

SCN Pacifica seed strain. Smaller scale, flowers in many violet shades.

[™]Iris 'Pretty Eyes'

SCN hybrid. Rosy standards, black-maroon falls.

[™]Iris 'Spring Sprite'

SCN innominata hybrid. Bright red-purple flowers, white/yellow eye.

™Iris 'Violeta'

SCN Pacifica. Large vivid violet flowers with yellow and white spray.

™ Iris 'Wayne's Violet'

Pacifica hybrid; vigorous clumps; red-violet flowers.

Isocoma menziesii var. tridentata

3' mound. Small yellow daisy-like flowers, summer. Baja native.

Isopogon formosus

Drumsticks. Shrub to 5'. Cut leaves, rose-lavender flowers in cone-like heads.

Ixia paniculata

To 3'; branched stems, long-tubed salmon flowers. Summer dormant.

Lachenalia aloides 'Pearsonii'

Cape cowslip; pendant flowers gold with red and green.

Lachenalia pendula

Cape cowslip; pendant orange-red bells in winter. 8" stems.

Lantana montevidensis (sellowiana)

Hardiest form. Dark green leaves, deep lavender flowers, trailing.

[™]Lathyrus vestitus var. alefeldii—staked

San Diego pea. Bright magenta flowers, spring. Narrow leaves.

Lavandula angustifolia

English lavender; 2' mound. Fragrant, lavender flowers, grey leaves.

Lavandula angustifolia—dwarf form

Dwarf English lavender. Fragrant, lavender flowers, grey leaves.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote Superior'

Foliage under 1'; bright grey leaves, dark purple flowers.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Martha Roderick'

1-1/2', dense; very aromatic; bright lavender flowers.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Mitcham Gray'

1-1/2', bright grey leaves; deep violet blue flowers.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Munstead'

1-2'; upright, with narrow leaves, lavender flowers.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Royal Purple'

15" foliage mound; bright violet blue flowers to 2'.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Royal Velvet'

Compact mound to 2'. Fragrant leaves; violet flowers.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Sachet'

Dwarf lavender. Bright blue violet flowers, aromatic.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Twickel Purple'

Low grey mound; flower stems to 2', bright dark violet flowers.

Lavandula 'Goodwin Creek Grey'

Bushy habit. Bright grey leaves, dark bluish purple flowers. Disease resistant.

Lavandula x intermedia 'Fred Boutin'

Low, bushy; large grey leaves, typical lavender flowers.

Lavandula x intermedia 'Grosso'

Dense, shrubby. Grey-green leaves, 1-2' stems, deep bluish purple flowers.

Lavandula 'Lisa Marie'

1'. Soft grey leaves. Fragrant bright lavender flowers. Ken Montgomery introduction.

Lavandula 'Silver Frost'

2'+. Thick white leaves, dense growth, bright lavender-blue flowers.

Lavandula stoechas 'Blue Star'

Spanish lavender. Deep indigo flowers, smaller "flags".

Lavandula stoechas 'Devon Compact'

1' high/18"+ wide. Compact Spanish lavender.

Lavandula stoechas 'Otto Quast'

Upright, dense, to 3'. Dark bracts, dark lavender flowers.

Lavandula stoechas 'Winter Bee' PPAF

Spanish lavender. Very compact, long blooming form.

Lavandula stoechas 'Wings of Night'

Bushy, to 2'+; grey leaves, large/dark flower bracts.

Lavandula stoechas ssp. pedunculata 'Avonview'

2'+. Spanish lavender, long flower stems, purple bracts.

Leonotis leonurus

Lion's tail; shrub to 6'; bright orange flower clusters in fall.

[™]Lewisia 'Dark Cloud'

SCN seed strain. Succulent rosette, flowers deep rose.

[™]Lewisia 'Pink Cloud'

SCN seed strain, 8" flower sprays. Large bright pink flowers.

[™]Lewisia 'White Cloud'

SCN seed strain. Succulent rosettes, sprays of white flowers.

[™]Leymus condensatus 'Canyon Prince'

Thicketing grass, to 2'; grey-green leaves.

Ligustrum ovalifolium 'Aureum'

Variegated privet. Gold-edged leaves; white flowers, summer.

Linum lewisii

Blue flax. Slender stems, narrow leaves, sky blue flowers.

^{CN}Lupinus albifrons—selected strains

Silver bush lupine, to 5'. Spikes of scented violet flowers.

^{CN} Lupinus albifrons var. collinus

Matting plant with silvery leaves, lavender blue 8" flower spikes.

^{CN}Lupinus arboreus—lavender

Bush lupine; 6'+; grey-green leaves, lavender flowers.

^{CN}Lupinus arboreus—yellow

Bush lupine. 6'. Grey-green leaves. Fragrant yellow flowers.

[™]Lupinus chamissonis

Bush lupine; 4'; silvery leaves, spikes of lavender flowers.

[™]Lupinus sericatus

Low shrub. Broad silver leaves, mauve pink flowers in spring.

^{cn}Lyonothamnus floribundus ssp. asplenifolius

25'. Catalina ironwood. Lacy leaves. Broad flat clusters of white flowers, late spring.

™ Mahonia aquifolium

Oregon grape. Shiny divided green leaves, bright yellow flowers, blue berries.

^{cn} Mahonia 'Golden Abundance'

Robust, to 8'. Large dark green leaves, masses of gold flowers.

[™]Mahonia nevinii

6'+; bushy growth; small, prickly grey-green leaves, yellow flowers, red berries.

™ Mahonia 'Skylark'

6', bushy; glossy dark green leaves, red new growth, yellow flowers.

Maireana sedifolia

Dense columnar bush to 3'; small white furry leaves.

^{CN}Malacothamnus fasciculatus 'Casitas'

Upright to 8'. Large lobed grey leaves, cupped pink flowers. Spreading clumps.

[™] Malacothamnus fremontii

Upright to 6', thicketing. Grey leaves, pink mallow flowers.

[™]Malacothamnus palmeri 'Hanging Valley'

4-6'; open growth. Large lobed, grey leaves, dense heads of pink flowers.

[™]Malacothamnus palmeri 'Jolon'

Santa Lucia bush mallow. Green leaves, white flowers, to 4'.

Melaleuca incana

6-7' high/8' wide; soft, fuzzy grey leaves on drooping stems, cream flowers.

Melaleuca thymifolia

Low, spreading. Narrow grey-green leaves, lavender-pink flowers.

^{CN}Melica imperfecta

Clumping, bright green, California bunchgrass; flower stem to 2'.

[™]Mimulus bifidus 'Cone Peak'

Mock azalea. Bushy, with orange flowers edged white.

^{cn} Mimulus bifidus—creamy yellow

Mock azalea; bushy, narrow leaves, ruffled flowers.18"high/3'+ wide.

™ Mimulus 'Jack'

To 2', bushy. Dark leaves, large bright purplish red flowers.

^{CN} Mimulus longiflorus ssp. calycinus

Monkeyflower. Pale yellow flowers, light green leaves.

[™]Mimulus 'Richard's Red'

1-2', bushy; dark green leaves, vivid true red flowers.

^{cn} Monardella linoides ssp. viminea

Slender shrublet to 8-12". Heads of bright violet flowers, aromatic grey-green leaves.

[™]Monardella macrantha 'Marian Sampson'

Scarlet monardella; shiny-leaved mat; large clusters of long red tubular flowers.

[™]Monardella villosa

Coyote mint. 12"+ shrublet. Lavender flowers in dense heads.

[™]Monardella villosa 'Russian River'

Coyote mint; 1', bushy; aromatic foliage, lavender flowers.

Moraea polystachya

2'+; bright lavender iris-like flowers along slender stems in fall.

Moraea ramosissima

Shiny, grasslike plant; sprays of yellow flowers late spring to summer.

™ Muhlenbergia rigens

Deer grass. Very narrow flower stems to 6'. Dense rounded foliage clumps.

Muscari macrocarpum

8"+. Grey-green basal leaf rosette. Fragrant yellow flowers.

Myoporum parvifolium 'Putah Creek'

1'high/8' wide. Vigorous spreader. Green leaves, white flowers.

Myoporum parvifolium—red leaf form

Matting, with narrow red-tinged leaves, white flowers.

Myoporum parvifolium 'Tucson'

Very tight, low selection. Narrow leaves, white flowers.

Myrtus communis

To 15'. True myrtle. Fragrant, shiny, dark green leaves, white flowers, blue fruits.

Myrtus communis 'Compacta'

4-6' high. Dwarf myrtle. Dense habit. Fragrant shiny green leaves.

Myrtus communis 'Compacta Variegata'

Compact, to 5'. Dense yellow-variegated aromatic foliage.

Myrtus communis 'Variegata'

To 5'+; dense growth, light yellow-variegated aromatic leaves.

[™]Nassella (Stipa) cernua

Nodding feather grass. 2' high/wide clump. Airy flowers.

[™]Nassella (Stipa) lepida

Foothill needlegrass. 1-2' high and wide. Narrow leaves, clumps. Airy flowers.

[™]Nassella (Stipa) pulchra

Purple needlegrass. 2' high and wide. Strong clumps, airy flower sprays

Nepeta x faassenii

Catmint; 1' mound; grey-green leaves, lavender flowers.

Nepeta x faassenii 'Blue Wonder'

Catmint; low grey-green mound; bluish purple flowers.

Nepeta x faassenii 'Snowflake'

Catmint. 1' mound. Grey-green aromatic leaves, white flowers.

Nepeta x faassenii 'Walker's Low'

Catmint. 1'mound. Grey-green aromatic leaves, lavender-blue flowers.

Nepeta 'Six Hills Giant'

Catmint. Similar to N. x faassenii, larger.

[™]Oenothera caespitosa

Densely clumping. Long narrow leaves, huge white fragrant flowers fade pink.

Oenothera speciosa 'Rosea'

18"+. Mexican evening primrose. Large pink flowers. Spreading.

Oenothera speciosa 'Siskiyou'

8"+. Mexican evening primrose. Compact, pink flowers. Spreading.

Olea europaea 'Frantoio'

Olive, to 20'. Dark green leaves, dark fruit. Self fertile.

Olea europaea 'Leccino'

Olive, to 20'. Spreading to weeping form. Dark fruit. Needs pollinator.

Olea europaea 'Mission'

Olive. 25'. Valued for cold tolerance, oil content.

Olea europaea 'Montra'

Shrubby, compact, to 12'. Green leaves, few fruits.

Olea europaea 'Pendolino'

Olive. Weeping habit. Black fruits, needs pollinator.

Olea europaea 'Skylark Dwarf'

Shrubby, compact, to 12'. Grey leaves, few fruits.

Olea europaea 'Wilson's Fruitless'

Olive produces little or no fruit. Rounded form, to 25'.

Origanum 'Kent Beauty'

Matting. Round leaves; large pink bracts with flowers.

Origanum 'Marshall's Memory'

Low mound. Dark leaves, upright sprays of purplish pink flowers.

Origanum microphyllum hybrid

To 1'+, upright. Tiny leaves, lavender-pink flowers.

Origanum pulchellum

Tight, low clumps; sprays of lavender-pink flowers.

Origanum 'Rose Beauty'

8"+. Mats of aromatic stems and round leaves, wide rosy bracts.

Origanum rotundifolium

Matting, with round leaves, large pale green bracts.

Origanum 'Santa Cruz'

Clumps to 1'+. Airy sprays, pink bracts, lavender flowers.

Origanum 'Virginia Saso'

Matting. Round leaves; large rose bracts with flowers.

Origanum vulgare 'Kaliteri'

Greek oregano. 18" shrublet. Grey, very aromatic leaves, white flowers.

Osmanthus heterophyllus 'Purpureus'

Chinese holly; purple new foliage, fragrant white flowers late fall.

Oxalis bowiei

1', robust; large bright green leaves, large pink flowers.

Papaver pilosum

1-2'; fuzzy basal leaves; bright orange flowers.

Pasithea caerulea

Clumping, with grassy leaves, 2' branched stems, bright blue flowers, spring.

[™]Pellaea mucronata

Bird's foot fern. 1' rock fern; wiry stems, grey leaflets.

Penstemon campanulatus

Bushy, with narrow leaves. Lilac and white flowers.

^{cn} Penstemon centranthifolius

Scarlet bugler; 1-3'; low grey leaves, bright red flowers attractive to hummingbirds.

[™] Penstemon eatonii

Low green leaves; 2'+ stems with bright orange flowers.

[™]Penstemon heterophyllus 'Blue Springs'

1-2'; blue bedder penstemon. Large deep blue flowers.

^{CN}Penstemon heterophyllus 'Margarita BOP'

Bushy, 1-2'. Blue-green leaves, bright blue flowers. Disease resistant.

[™]Penstemon heterophyllus—Panoche strain

1'+. Bright blue flowers from yellow buds in spring.

^{CN} Penstemon newberryi var. sonomensis 'St. Helena'

Choice rock garden shrublet, to 1'; green leaves, bright red flowers.

Penstemon neomexicanus

Glossy low green leaves; 2' spikes of bluish purple flowers.

^{CN} Penstemon spectabilis

Sturdy, 2'+; large toothed leaves, bluish purple flowers.

Penstemon strictus

Dark green low leaves, clumping. 2' stems, rich bluish purple flowers.

Penstemon 'Utah Natives'

Low clumps; 1' stems; purple, pink or blue flowers.

Perovskia abrotanoides

Russian sage; 3'; cut grey leaves, lavender flowers.

Perovskia 'Filigran'

To 3', bushy. Dissected leaves, lavender-blue flowers.

Perovskia 'Longin'

2'+. Furry purple flower calyx, lavender flowers, grey leaves.

Phlomis cretica

18" high/3' wide. Fuzzy yellowish leaves, bright yellow flowers.

Phlomis fruticosa

Jerusalem sage; 4'+; large fuzzy leaves, yellow flowers.

Phlomis lanata

To 2' high. Furry stems and 1" leaves. Orange-yellow flowers.

Phlomis monocephala

To 4', dense. Golden leaves; yellow flowers.

[™]Pickeringia montana

Chaparral pea. Rounded, spiny shrub, 4-8'. Purplish pink flowers.

Pittosporum eugenioides

20'+ tall. Large, light green wavy leaves.

Plumbago auriculata 'Alba'

Cape plumbago. White flowers on rounded bush.

Plumbago auriculata 'Purple Robe'

Cape plumbago; deep sky blue round flower heads.

Poliomintha longiflora

Mexican oregano; aromatic, shiny green leaves, long tubed lavender flowers.

Polygala virgata

To 6'. Almost leafless stems, bright mauve flowers in summer with frilly lip.

[™]Polypodium californicum 'Sarah Lyman'

Dissected-leaf selection of spreading native fern. Summer deciduous.

Polypodium vulgare 'Bifido Multifidum'

12". Spreading, with divided/crested frond tips. Evergreen.

Prostanthera ovalifolia—"excellent purple"

Mint bush. To 5'+, dense. Fragrant leaves; masses of bright purple flowers, spring.

Prostanthera ovalifolia 'Variegata'

Mint bush. To 5'+. Cream-variegated leaves, bright purple flowers.

Prostanthera phylicifolia

Mint bush. Dark, narrow leaves; violet flowers.

Prostanthera rotundifolia 'Ghost Cave'

5' tall. Mint bush. Dark round fragrant leaves, masses of purple flowers, spring.

Prostanthera rotundifolia 'Rosea'

Mint bush; 4'. Dense, small round fragrant leaves covered with pink flowers, spring.

^{CN} Prunus ilicifolia

Holly-leaf cherry. 10-20' shrub/small tree. Shiny green leaves, white flowers.

^{CN} Prunus ilicifolia var. lyonii

Catalina cherry. 15-25'. Evergreen glossy leaves, white flowers, round red fruits.

Prunus lusitanica

Portugal laurel. Evergreen. 10-30' tall. Dense habit.

Puya alpestris

Bromeliad with crowns of long spiny leaves, deep blue-green flowers.

Puya coerulea var. violacea

Bromeliad, striking crowns of grey leaves, coral stems, violet flowers.

Puya mirabilis

Bromeliad with crowns of long narrow leaves, 3" tubular sea green flowers.

Puya mirabilis x alpestris

SCN hybrid. Spiny leaf crowns, blue to green tubular flowers.

[™]Quercus agrifolia

Coast live oak. 25'+. Toothed evergreen leaves.

Ranunculus cortusifolius

Robust, to 2'+. Large round leaves, satiny yellow flowers. Summer dormant.

Rhamnus alaternus 'John Edwards'

Italian buckthorn. Dark green leaves, neat appearance. To 12-20'.

Rhamnus alaternus 'Variegatus'

To 12' +, dense habit. Creamy-white leaf edges. Red berries.

[™]Rhamnus californica 'Ed Holm'

30" high/3'+wide. Prostrate, dense, slow. Large, veined leaves.

^{CN}Rhamnus californica 'Eve Case'

Coffeeberry. 6', compact; large, dark leaves; red-tinged berries.

[™]Rhamnus californica 'Leatherleaf'

Coffeeberry. 5'+. Round, tight form. Very shiny, deepest green leaves.

[™]Rhamnus californica 'Mound San Bruno'

4-5'+. Coffeeberry. Dense, mounding, dark green leaves.

Rhamnus prinoides

Evergreen shrub/small tree, to 12-15'. Glossy leaves; red berries.

^{cn}Rhamnus tomentella ssp. crassifolia

Coffeeberry; 8'+; grey-felted leaves, red to black berries.

^{CN}Rhamnus tomentella ssp. tomentella

Coffeeberry; 8'+; narrow dark green leaves, red to black berries.

^{CN} Ribes speciosum

6'+. Fuchsia-flower gooseberry. Spiny shrub; dangling red flowers.

^{cn}Ribes speciosum 'Pincushion'

2'+. Fuchsia-flower gooseberry. Low form of spiny shrub; dangling red flowers.

[™]Ribes speciosum 'Rana Creek'

6'+. Fuchsia-flower gooseberry. Spiny, with pendant bright red flowers.

[™]Romneya coulteri

Matilija poppy; perennial to 8'; huge white flowers. Spreading.

Rosa 'Blanc Double De Coubert'

Rugosa type, 4-5'. Fragrant double white flowers. Disease resistant.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Blue Spire'

5' high/4' wide. Upright, branching at base. Medium blue flowers.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Collingwood Ingram'

2-3' high/4' wide. Flowers rich, bright blue-violet.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Huntington Blue' ('H. Carpet')

18" high/6' wide groundcover with pale blue flowers and fragrant leaves.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Irene' USPP#9124

1' high/6' wide. Trailing, prostrate habit. Blue-violet flowers.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Ken Taylor'

18" high/8' wide. Trailing, with deep blue flowers. Center remains dense.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Miss Jessopp's Upright'

Rosemary with erect form to 5' high x 3' wide. Light blue flowers.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Spice Islands'

Upright to 8'. Thick deep green leaves, medium blue flowers.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Tuscan Blue'

Rosemary; 4', bushy; dark blue flowers.

Rubus calycinoides 'Emerald Carpet' COPF

6" high/6'+ wide. Spreading carpet of fuzzy lobed green leaves, white flowers.

Ruscus aculeatus 'Wheeler's Variety'

Butcher's broom. Pointed leaves, bright red berries. Spreading clumps.

Ruscus hypoglossum

Butcher's broom. Thicketing. 18" high, wide green leaves. Good under oaks.

[™]Salvia 'Allen Chickering'

Native hybrid sage; 4'+ shrub; grey aromatic leaves; round clusters, lavender flowers.

^{cn}Salvia apiana

White sage. Short branches, nearly white oval leaves, tall flower stem.

Salvia azurea var. grandiflora

2-3'; slender stems; greyish leaves; true blue flowers in fall.

[™]Salvia 'Bee's Bliss'

Broad carpet, 1-2' high/4-6'+ wide; fragrant grey-green leaves, lavender flowers.

[™]Salvia brandegei 'Pacific Blue'

California sage with dark green leaves, light blue flowers to 5' high/wide.

Salvia chamaedryoides

Low, bushy; small grey leaves, bright blue flowers. Spreading.

Salvia 'Christine Yeo'

2'+. Textured green leaves; bright bluish purple flowers. Dense, spreads.

[™]Salvia clevelandii 'Deer Spring Silver'

4-5'. Aromatic grey leaves; bright blue flowers, summer.

Salvia 'Dancing Dolls' PPAF

New SCN introduction; clouds of rose and cream flowers, dark stems.

Salvia 'Dancing Embers' TM

SCN hybrid. Dark shiny leaves, huge "hot red" flowers, dark stems. Greggii type.

[™]Salvia 'Dara's Choice'

18"+high/3'+wide. Carpeting. Green leaves, lavender blue flowers.

Salvia 'Dark Dancer'

WGN. Bushy, greggii type, to 2'. Large, vivid plum purple flowers.

Salvia 'Fire Dancer' TM

SCN hybrid. Bushy greggii type. Large coral-red flowers.

Salvia 'Flamenco Rose' TM

SCN hybrid. S. microphylla type. Bushy, very large bright pink flowers.

Salvia fruticosa

To 2'. Light green, aromatic leaves, light blue flowers in spring.

Salvia greggii 'Furman's Red'

2' selection with deep, glowing red flowers.

Salvia greggii 'Moonlight'

WGN selection; dense, with moonlight-yellow flowers.

Salvia greggii 'Purple Pastel'

To 18" high/2'+wide. Many dark lavender-purple flowers.

Salvia greggii—white

2', bushy; small oval leaves, many white flowers.

Salvia greggii 'Wild Thing'

WGN hybrid; bushy, with bright coral-orange flowers.

Salvia heldreichiana

Low grey clumps; 2'+ stems with bright bluish purple flowers in spring.

Salvia x jamensis 'Cienega de Oro'

2'+. Masses of bright yellow flowers.

Salvia x jamensis 'Coral Sunrise'

2-3'. Bushy. Deep coral flowers turn pale coral. Near-black stems.

Salvia x jamensis 'Sierra San Antonio'

Many flowers of soft orange and moonlight yellow.

^{cn}Salvia leucophylla 'Amethyst Bluff'

SBBG introduction. 2' high/6' wide; grey, furry leaves, bright lavender flowers.

[™]Salvia leucophylla 'Figueroa'

3-4' native sage with white leaves and clusters of pink flowers.

Salvia microphylla 'Cerro Potosi'

Bushy, to 2'. Vivid magenta red flowers, long bloom.

Salvia microphylla 'Hot Lips'

Bushy, to 3'. Small dark leaves, variable red, white or red and white flowers.

Salvia microphylla—pink

Bushy, 2-3'. Small dark leaves, pink flowers. Spreading.

Salvia muelleri

Like S. greggii in form, leaf; profuse purple flowers.

[™]Salvia munzii

Twiggy, arching stems to 3'. Light green leaves; lavender blue flowers.

Salvia 'Nuevo Leon'

Like S. greggii in form, smaller leaves; many small purple flowers.

Salvia officinalis 'Berggarten'

Kitchen sage. Spreading, 6-10"high, aromatic large grey leaves.

Salvia officinalis 'Icterina'

Kitchen sage. Matting. Yellow leaf margins.

Salvia officinalis 'Purpurea'

Kitchen sage. To 12" high x 3' wide. New leaves purple.

[™]Salvia pachyphylla

3'. Silver leaves; heads with rose bracts, deep blue flowers.

Salvia 'Peaches 'n' Cream'

SCN hybrid. Floriferous bicolor butterscotch and cream flowers. Greggii type.

[™]Salvia 'Pozo Blue'

S. clevelandii hybrid, to 4'+. Fragrant leaves, lavender-blue flowers.

Salvia prunelloides

1'. Round green leaves; bluish purple flowers on spikes.

Salvia reptans (S. leptophylla)

To 2'+; slender leaves and dark stems; dark blue flowers.

Salvia roemeriana

Charming Texas native; 1' high/2' wide, sprays of true red flowers.

[™]Salvia 'Shirley's Creeper'

3-4' high/6'+wide. Textured green leaves, cream flowers.

[™]Salvia sonomensis 'Fremont's Carpet'

Carpeting subshrub. Narrow furry leaves, purple flowers in spring.

[™]Salvia sonomensis 'Gorda'

Furry grey leaves, blue-purple flowers in spring. 1' high/4'+ wide.

[™]Salvia spathacea

Dense spreading clumps of large fragrant leaves. Stout spikes of magenta flowers.

[™]Salvia 'Starlight'

CA native hybrid. Grey leaves, long wands of white flowers.

^{CN} Salvia 'Whirly Blue'

S. clevelandii hybrid. Bright lavender-blue flowers, aromatic leaves.

Santolina chamaecyparissus

Lavender cotton; 2'+, dense; small grey leaves, yellow "button" flowers in spring.

Santolina chamaecyparissus 'Compacta'

Lavender cotton; 1', dense; small grey leaves, yellow flowers in spring.

Santolina chamaecyparissus 'Little Nicky'

Very dwarf form of santolina to 6" high. Grey-green narrow leaves.

Santolina neapolitana 'Lemon Queen'

Mound to 2', dense white foliage, pale creamy yellow flowers.

Sempervivum arachnoideum 'Cebenese'

Cobweb houseleek; prolific selection; large crowns covered with white webbing.

Sempervivum arachnoideum hybrid

Lightly webbed blue-green rosettes in dense clumps.

Sempervivum 'Blue Boy'

Blue-grey rosettes, rose tinted leaf edges.

Sempervivum 'Commander Hay'

Broad rosettes, red-purple centers, green tips. Pink flowers.

Sempervivum 'Gizmo'

Dark olive grey rosettes with red tips. Reddish violet flowers.

Sempervivum 'Jungle Shadows'

Broad grey rosettes, burgundy tips. Deep burgundy in winter.

Sempervivum 'Pistachio'

Very broad blue-green rosettes, pink flowers in summer.

Sempervivum 'Rita Jane'

Houseleek. Dense clusters of rosettes with red tips & older leaves.

Sempervivum 'Serena'

Tight blue-green rosettes, pink tips, rose pink flowers.

Sempervivum 'Spring Beauty'

Bright light green rosettes; rose pink flowers.

Sempervivum tectorum 'Greenii'

Tight, round rosettes; green leaves tipped shiny red.

Shepherdia argentea

Buffalo berry, to 5-10'. Silver leaves on tough, spreading shrub.

[™]Sisyrinchium bellum 'Arroyo de la Cruz'

Blue-eyed grass, to 1'. Selected for large, dark flowers.

[™]Sisyrinchium bellum 'Ft. Bragg'

Dwarf plant, to 6". Flowers lavender with violet center.

^{cn} Sisyrinchium bellum 'H Bar H White'

1'; Blue-eyed grass; white-flowered clone.

[™]Sisyrinchium bellum 'Rocky Point'

Dwarf, dense selection to 10". Purple-blue flowers.

[™]Solanum umbelliferum v. incanum 'Indians Grey'

Native subshrub to 2'. Grey leaves and stems, bright lavender "night-shade" flowers.

^{cn}Solanum umbelliferum v. incanum 'Spring Frost'

Native subshrub. Grey leaves and stems to 2', white flowers.

Sphaeralcea fendleri var. venusta

To 3'+. Grey-green leaves, spikes of clear pink flowers. Spreading clumps.

Sphaeralcea fulva 'La Luna'

SBBG introduction. Baja native, to 5'+. Light green leaves, silky white flowers.

Sphaeralcea incana

Erect stems to 3'+, spreading. Grey-green leaves, orange flowers.

Stachys citrina

Dense perennial clumps of light green leaves; lax stems of pale yellow flowers.

[™]Styrax redivivus

Snowdrop bush; white bell flowers on this deciduous native shrub.

Tagetes lemmonii

Mexican marigold; to 8'; bright orange flowers, aromatic leaves.

Talinum calycinum

Flameflower. Low succulent green leaves; bright rose purple flowers.

Teucrium flavum

1-2', dense; deep green toothed leaves, pale yellow flowers.

Teucrium fruticans

Bush germander. Silvery leaves. Lavender-blue flowers.

Teucrium fruticans 'Azureum'

Bush germander. 3-4' high/4-5' wide. Silver leaves, dark blue flowers.

Teucrium fruticans 'Compactum'

Bush germander; 2-3', compact; blue flowers.

Teucrium fruticans—white flowered

2'+, dense shrub. Green leaves; white flowers.

^{CN}Thermopsis macrophylla

2-5'. California false lupine. Silky leaves. Yellow pea flowers.

Thymus caespititius 'Tuffet'

Flat mat. Light green leaves; soft pink flowers.

Thymus camphoratus

To 1'. Small mound. Dark green aromatic leaves. Rose-pink flowers.

Thymus hirsutus

Soft grey-green mat; pink flowers.

Thymus serpyllum var. albus

Mother-of-thyme; flat green mat; white flowers.

[™]Trichostema lanatum

Woolly blue curls; 4' + shrub; purple flower stems, blue flowers. Aromatic leaves.

™ Triteleia laxa 'Queen Fabiola'

Ithuriel's spear. To 1'+; large bluish purple trumpets. Summer-dormant.

^{cn}Triteleia peduncularis

Long-rayed brodiaea; clusters of white flowers. Summer-dormant.

Verbena tenuisecta 'Lacy Pink'

Moss verbena; 1' x 4'; dissected leaves, pink flowers.

Vitex agnus-castus 'Amiguita'

SCN compact selection. To 3-4'. Lavender-blue flower spikes in summer.

Vitex agnus-castus 'Pink Sensation'

Chaste tree. Arching growth to 10-15', clear pink flower spikes.

Vitex agnus-castus 'Sensational'

Chaste tree. Large leaves; light purple flowers in very long spikes. To 15'.

Vitex agnus-castus 'Stony Point'

Chaste tree, to 10-15'. Large leaves; dark bluish purple flowers, summer.

Watsonia humilis

6-12"; broad iris-like leaves; bright pink flowers, dark centers.

Watsonia intermedia

1-2', profuse; bright pink flowers with dark centers.

Westringia fruticosa

To 6', dense rounded shrub; silvery leaves, white flowers.

Westringia fruticosa 'Jervis Gem'

Rounded, to 2'+, with dark grey leaves; lilac flowers, long bloom.

Westringia fruticosa 'Smokey'

2-3'. Light, creamy grey rounded shrub; white flowers.

Westringia glabra

3-4', compact; small dark green leaves, lavender flowers.

Westringia 'Mia's Wonder'

3' high/wide. Narrow grey leaves, white to pale pink flowers. Rounded habit.

Wisteria floribunda 'Issai'

Japanese wisteria; 2-tone lavender flowers.

Wisteria floribunda 'Longissima Alba'

Japanese wisteria. Long-tasseled fragrant white flowers.

Wisteria floribunda 'Shiro Noda'

Japanese wisteria; very long tresses of white flowers.

Wisteria floribunda 'Snow Showers'

Japanese wisteria; long tresses of white flowers.

Wisteria floribunda 'Tea Garden Form'

Large divided leaves, long tresses, bright purple and white flowers.

Wisteria floribunda 'Violacea Plena'

2' tresses. Double violet blooms with darker interior.

Wisteria sinensis 'Amethyst'

Chinese wisteria; masses of fragrant, bright purple flowers.

Wisteria sinensis 'Caroline'

Chinese wisteria; masses of fragrant, lavender and white flowers.

Wisteria sinensis 'Jako'

Chinese wisteria; masses of fragrant white flowers in spring.

Wisteria venusta 'Alba'

Silky wisteria. 1" white flowers on foot-long fat cluster. Fragrant.

Yucca aloifolia 'Purpurea'

Spanish bayonet. Purplish leaves 2'+ long, white flowers in spikes.

Yucca 'Bright Edge'

2'+. Golden leaf margins with green center. Flowers cream white bells on 3-4' stem.

Yucca flaccida 'Ivory Tower'

Crowns of soft blue-green leaves; large ivory flowers on 4' stems.

Yucca flaccida 'Yellow Stripe'

Leaves edged green, with soft yellow striping. Flower stalks 3-4'.

Yucca 'Garland Gold'

Showy selection with broad yellow band on leaves. White flowers on tall stems.

[™]Yucca whipplei

Lord's candle. Large crowns of long greyish leaves, sharp spines, large fragrant white fls.

™ Zauschneria (Epilobium) californica 'Carman's Grey'

California fuchsia. Bright grey leaves, tubular scarlet flowers, fall.

[™]Zauschneria (Epilobium) californica 'Cloverdale'

8"+. Broad, bright grey leaves, orange-red tubular flowers.

^{CN}Zauschneria (Epilobium) californica 'Sierra Gold'

Wide cream edges on grey leaves; pink flush on new leaves.

[™] Zauschneria (Epilobium) californica 'Sierra Salmon'

To 1'+ high, spreading. Narrow grey leaves, salmon orange flowers.

[™]Zauschneria (Epilobium) californica 'Silver Select'

To 1'+ high, spreading. Bright grey leaves, scarlet flowers.

^{ca}Zauschneria (Epilobium) californica 'U. C. Hybrid'

California fuchsia; 1'+, bushy; many scarlet flowers.

[™] Zauschneria (Epilobium) cal. ssp. latifolia 'Everett's Choice'

California fuchsia; low habit, many brilliant scarlet flowers.

[™]Zauschneria (Epilobium) cana 'Catalina'

Bushy, grey-leaved; long, heavy blooming. Can reach 5'+. Scarlet flowers.

^{ca} Zauschneria (Epilobium) septentrionalis 'Select Mattole'

Low mound/mat to 4" high x 2' wide; broad silvery leaves, brilliant red flowers.

[™]Zauschneria (Epilobium) septentrionalis 'Wayne's Silver'

California fuchsia; low mound to 6" high, silvery leaves, scarlet flowers.