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Plant Name	Height & Spread	Evergreen or Deciduous	Description	Photo
<p>Rosemary <i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i></p> 	<p>Creeping: 1 foot tall, 6 feet spread</p> <p>Upright: 3-4 feet tall and wide</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 15 degrees</p>	<p>Fragrant foliage. Purple winter flowers. Culinary uses. Creeping makes good groundcover. Upright makes good hedge.</p>	
<p>Wall Germander <i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i></p>  	<p>12-18 inches tall 12-18 inches wide</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 0 degrees</p>	<p>Aromatic leaves are green, shiny, and have serrated edges. In late spring and early summer, magenta pink tubular flowers grow on stalks above foliage. Flowers are loved by bees.</p>	
<p>Bluebeard <i>Caryopteris</i></p>  	<p>2-3 feet tall 2-3 feet wide</p>	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to 0 degrees</p>	<p>Lush, aromatic, green foliage. Late summer flowers resemble clouds of purple-blue mist. Flowers are loved by bees. 'Worcester Gold' and 'Sunshine Blue' varieties have yellow foliage.</p>	











<p>Juniper 'Old Gold'</p> 	<p>2-3 feet tall 4-5 feet wide</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to minus 20 degrees</p>	<p>Graceful habit with ascending branches. Showy gold foliage. Other varieties of Juniper may be green or blue and vary by size/growth habit.</p>	
<p>Spirea <i>Spiraea japonica</i></p>  	<p>2-4 feet tall 2-4 feet wide</p>	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 25 degrees</p>	<p>Leaves may be green or yellow/orange depending on variety. Flat pink flowers in summer. Showy fall color.</p>	
<p>Rockrose <i>Cistus purpureus</i></p>  	<p>3-4 feet tall 4-6 feet wide</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 15 degrees</p>	<p>A tidy, compact, sun and heat-loving shrub. Showy rose-purple blooms with maroon spots in late spring. Low maintenance.</p>	
<p>Dwarf Yaupon Holly <i>Ilex vomitoria 'Nana'</i></p> 	<p>3-5 feet tall 3-5 feet spread</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 10 degrees</p>	<p>Slow-growing. Green, holly foliage. Greenish-white, insignificant flowers in summer. Rounded shape.</p>	







<p>Bush Germander <i>Teucrium fruticans</i></p> 	<p>4-5 feet tall 4-5 feet spread</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 10 degrees</p>	<p>Grey-green leaves with silvery-white undersides give a soft silver look. Deep blue flowers at branch tips in summer.</p> <p><i>'Compacta' variety is smaller with tighter branches</i></p>	
<p>Barberry <i>Berberis</i></p> 	<p>2-6 feet tall 3-5 feet spread</p> 	<p>Most are deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 25 degrees</p>	<p>Favorite varieties have showy red or purple leaves. Small yellow flowers in early summer, red berries in fall.</p> <p>Most popular varieties: Crimson Pygmy, Rose Glow, Red Rocket, Red Japanese</p>	
<p>Noell's Grevillea <i>Grevillea</i></p> 	<p>3-4 feet tall 3-4 feet spread</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 15 degrees</p>	<p>Wispy, pine-like foliage. Red-pink flowers in early spring.</p>	
<p>Boxwood <i>Buxus</i></p> 	<p>3-5 feet tall 3-5 feet spread</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 0 degrees (foliage turns bronze in cold winter)</p>	<p>Slow-growing. Glossy green (or yellow variegated) foliage turns bronze during cold of winter. Insignificant white flowers in spring. Popular as hedge or topiary.</p>	

<p>Flowering Quince <i>Chaenomeles</i></p> 	<p>3-6 feet tall 3-6 feet wide</p> 	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 30 degrees</p>	<p>Very showy flowers in early spring. Red or white-pink flowers. May bear small quince fruits with age.</p>	
<p>Myrtle <i>Myrtus communis</i></p> 	<p>3-6 feet tall (or more with time) 2-5 feet spread</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 15 degrees (may burn in cold winter)</p>	<p>Slow-growing. Fragrant green foliage, small white flowers in early summer. Leaves may be green or yellow variegated. Blue berries in fall. Good hedge.</p>	
<p>Rose Bush <i>Rosa</i></p>	<p>4-6 feet tall 4-6 feet wide</p> 	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to 0 degrees or below</p>	<p>Bush or hedge can be pruned to control shape and size. Large showy flowers in summer can be just about any color, and often fragrant. Long-blooming. Good cut flower.</p>	
<p>Scotch Broom <i>Cytisus</i></p>	<p>5-6 feet tall 5-6 feet wide</p>	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to 5 degrees</p>	<p>Lovely, long sprays of pea-like, yellow flowers in spring. Green branches have tiny green leaves. <i>Some varieties have red in flowers.</i></p>	

<p>Butterfly Bush <i>Buddleia davidii</i></p> 	<p>6-8 feet tall 4-6 feet wide</p> <p><i>*dwarf varieties grow as small as 2 feet tall and wide</i></p> 	<p>Semi-evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 0 degrees</p>	<p>Fast-growing shrub with grey-green leaves. Beautiful spikes of flowers in summer are loved by butterflies and other pollinators. Long-blooming. Flowers shades of purple, white, or pink.</p>	
<p>Chinese Fringe Flower <i>Loropetalum</i></p> 	<p>6-8 feet tall 4-6 feet wide</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 15 -20 degrees</p>	<p>Leaves can be reddish-purple or green. Showy fringe flowers can be bright pink or white, depending on variety. Blooms prolifically in spring, then sporadically through summer.</p>	
<p>Mexican Orange <i>Choisya ternate</i></p>	<p>6-8 feet tall 6-8 feet wide</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 15 degrees</p>	<p>Soft green leaves have citrus scent when crushed, new growth is bright yellow. Fragrant white flowers cover the plant in late spring to early summer.</p>	
<p>Forsythia <i>Forsythia</i></p> 	<p>6-8 feet tall 8-10 feet wide</p> <p><i>*there are dwarf varieties that grow to around 5 feet tall and wide</i></p> 	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 20 degrees</p>	<p>Amazing display of golden yellow flowers in early spring. One of the first shrubs to flower at the end of winter. Flowers are followed by green leaves that turn purple-red for fall.</p>	

<p>Dwarf Burning Bush <i>Euonymus alatus</i> 'Compactus'</p> 	<p>6-8 feet tall 8-10 feet wide</p> 	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 30 degrees</p>	<p>Mounded form of rich green leaves spring through summer. Amazing display of scarlet red color in fall.</p>	
<p>Silverberry <i>Elaeagnus pungens</i></p> 	<p>6-10 feet tall 6-10 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 10 degrees</p>	<p>Fast-growing, big and beautiful shrub. Silvery-green foliage and small, fragrant, creamy-white flowers in fall. 'Gilt Edge' variety has yellow variegated leaves</p>	
<p>Holly <i>Ilex meserveae</i></p>	<p>8-10 feet tall 6-8 feet wide</p>	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 0 degrees</p>	<p>Dense, blue green foliage. Leaves have spiny edges. Female varieties get bright red berries in winter if pollinated by a male variety nearby.</p>	
<p>Oleander <i>Nerium</i></p> 	<p>8-12 feet tall 8-12 feet spread</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 15 degrees (may burn in cold winter)</p>	<p>Long-blooming flowers from early summer until a frost. Flowers red, pink or white (white grows fastest and largest). Toxic when ingested.</p>	

<p>Snowball Bush <i>Viburnum</i></p> <p><i>(Moderately drought-tolerant once established)</i></p>	<p>8-12 feet tall 10-15 feet spread</p> <p>*there are also dwarf varieties as small as 2-3 feet tall/wide</p> 	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 35 degrees</p>	<p>Large dense bush with green leaves. Large globes of flowers emerge green, mature to white, fade to pink. Showy fall color usually gold with reds & purples.</p>	
<p>Lilac <i>Syringa vulgaris</i></p> <p><i>(Moderately drought-tolerant once established)</i></p>	<p>10-15 feet tall 10-12 feet wide</p> <p>*there are also dwarf varieties as small as 3-6 feet tall/wide</p> 	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 35 degrees</p>	<p>Green leaves and showy, very fragrant flower spikes in spring. Flowers may be purple, white, or pink depending on variety. Good cut flower.</p>	
<p>Smoke Bush <i>Cotinus coggygia</i></p> 		<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 25 degrees</p>	<p>Large shrub with attractive purple foliage spring to fall. Pinkish-purple feathery flowers resemble puffs of smoke. Blooms in summer.</p>	
<p>Chaste Tree <i>Vitex agnus-castus</i></p> 		<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 10 degrees</p>	<p>Green, five-fingered leaves & beautiful flower spikes in summer. Flowers can be purple or white. Dwarf varieties around 6 feet tall.</p>	

<p>Pineapple Guava <i>Feijoa sellowiana</i></p> 	<p>12-15 feet tall 12-15 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 15 degrees</p>	<p>Grey-green leaves similar to olive leaf. Red and white (edible) flowers in early summer. Edible fruit in December.</p>	
<p>Red Tip Photinia <i>Photinia fraseri</i></p> 	<p>10-15 feet tall 10-15 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p> <p>Hardy to 5 degrees</p>	<p>Large shrub that can be trained as bush, hedge, or tree. New growth emerges bright red, matures to dark green. Puffs of white flowers in spring.</p>	






→ this symbol indicates plants that can survive drought once established. It typically takes 1-2 years of regular water for a new plant to be established. In general, plants look better with regular water, but drought-tolerant plants can survive times when water is not available.
















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California Native Options ↓

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<p>Mountain Spirea <i>Spiraea densiflora</i></p> 	<p>2-3 feet tall 2-3 feet wide</p> 	<p>Deciduous</p> <p>Hardy to minus 10 degrees</p>	<p>Green leaves on reddish stems. Fragrant, bright, rosy pink pompom flowers in summer. Fall color is a mix of reds & oranges.</p>	

<p>California Sagebrush <i>Artemisia californica</i></p> 	<p>3-4 feet tall 3-4 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p>	<p>Aromatic, grey-green, wispy foliage. Small, white, inconspicuous flowers in late summer.</p>	
<p>Pozo Blue Sage <i>Salvia x 'Pozo Blue'</i></p> 	<p>3-4 feet tall 3-4 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen Hardy to 15 degrees</p>	<p>Grey-green fragrant foliage. Tall, showy spikes of violet-blue flowers in summer. Loved by hummingbirds.</p>	
<p>California Buckwheat <i>Eriogonum fasciculatum foliosum</i></p> 	<p>3-5 feet tall 3-5 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen</p>	<p>Wispy green foliage. Showy flowers above foliage in late spring may be white or slightly pink. Flowers age to a rust color.</p>	
<p>Oregon Grape <i>Mahonia aquifolium</i></p> 	<p>3-6 feet tall 2-5 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen Hardy to minus 10 degrees</p>	<p>Glossy, leathery, holly-like green leaves turn reddish in the fall. Bright yellow flower clusters in spring. Blue-black berry in summer. Drought-tolerant once established, but looks best with moderate water.</p>	

<p>'Howard McMinn' Manzanita <i>Arctostaphylos</i> 'Howard McMinn'</p> 	<p>6-10 feet tall 6-10 feet wide <i>*there are many other Manzanita varieties – can be low groundcover or large shrub</i></p> 	<p>Evergreen Hardy to 5 degrees</p>	<p>Narrow green leaves on red twisting branches. Pink bell flower clusters in spring. Small berries in summer are loved by birds. Drought-tolerant once established.</p>	
<p>Coffeeberry <i>Rhamnus</i></p> 	<p>4-6 feet tall 4-6 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen Hardy to 5 degrees</p>	<p>Leathery, dark green leaves. Small yellow-green flowers attract pollinators. Showy berries start green and mature to red-black. Berries are loved by birds.</p>	
<p>'Dark Star' California Lilac <i>Ceanothus</i> 'Dark Star'</p> 	<p>4-6 feet tall 5-8 feet wide <i>*there are many other Ceanothus varieties – can be low groundcover or large shrub</i></p> 	<p>Evergreen Hardy to 10 degrees</p>	<p>Small, rough-textured green leaves. Tight branching habit. Cobalt-blue flower clusters in spring. (Some varieties have white flowers). Drought-tolerant once established.</p>	
<p>Pacific Wax Myrtle <i>Myrica californica</i></p> 	<p>10-20 feet tall 10-12 feet wide</p> 	<p>Evergreen Hardy to 15 degrees</p>	<p>Dense upright habit, glossy green leaves. Leaves have spicy aroma. Tiny reddish-yellow flowers are not very noticeable. Flowers ripen to brownish-purple berries in fall.</p>	

Blue Elderberry
Sambucus Mexicana



10-20 feet tall
6-20 feet wide



Deciduous
Hardy to minus 5 degrees

Light green leaves and butter-yellow, flat flower clusters in spring. Blue-black berries in fall. Berries are used to make medicinal syrup. Drought-tolerant once established, but most attractive with moderate water.

