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“Permaculture Garden”

Achillea millefolium		Common Yarrow
		<p>Mediterranean perennials that come in wide variety of colors. Need reasonable drainage. Carefree and generous bloomers. May be used as cut flowers or dried. Aromatic finely divided leaves. Full sun.</p>
Arctostaphylos		Manzanita
		<p>Forms vary from ground cover to treelike shrubs. All have white or pink flowers and berrylike fruits that attract birds. Require excellent drainage. Full to part sun.</p>
Ceanothus hearstiorum, C. maritimus, C. 'Dark Star', 'Snow Flurry' 'Wheeler's Canyon'		Wild Lilac — various cultivars
		<p>Spring blooming evergreen shrubs. Blooms vary from white to deep purple. Require excellent drainage. Wide range of forms from ground cover to shrubs that can be trained as small trees. Generally short lived. Full sun to part shade.</p>
Epilobium canum 'Cloverdale' and 'Everett's Choice'		California Fuchsia
		<p>Sprawling perennials or low shrubs. Silver gray to gray-green leaves with orange tubular flowers. Adds color to late summer garden. Full sun.</p>
Eriogonum crocatum, E. fasciculatum, E. grande rubescens, E. parvifolium, E. wrightii		Wild Buckwheat
		<p>Compact shrubby perennials. Showy in mass plantings. Long blooming. Tolerate heat, wind, drought and salt spray. Full sun.</p>


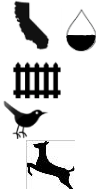



















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<p>Fragaria vesca</p> 		<p>Woodland Strawberry; Alpine Strawberry</p> <p>Bears small crop of berries over the summer season. Usually used as a border edging. Doesn't set runners. Self sows. Well drained soil. Part sun to shade.</p>
<p>Heteromeles arbutifolia</p> 		<p>Toyon</p> <p>Evergreen. Tolerates sand, clay and serpentine soils. Grows 15-20'. Native Indians used for food, medicine and tools. Small white flowers in early summer attract butterflies. Fruit in fall attracts birds. Susceptible to oak root fungus and prone to fire blight. Cultivar 'Davis Gold' produces gold colored berries. Full sun to part shade.</p>
<p>Lepechinia fragrans</p> 		<p>Fragrant Pitcher Sage</p> <p>Member of mint family. Reaches 3-5'tall and 2-3' wide. Furry gray-green leaves. Blooms spring and summer with tubular small pinkish white flowers. Full to part sun.</p>
<p>Malacothamnus fasciculatus 'Casitas'</p> 		<p>Chaparral Mallow</p> <p>Tough and adaptable. Gray-green leaves and clusters of large pink flowers in summer. Spreads by underground runners, but can be contained. Sun to part sun.</p>
<p>Mimulus aurantiacus Mimulus lewisii x cardinalis</p> 		<p>Monkeyflower</p> <p>Shrubby perennial with sticky narrow, dark leaves. Funnel shaped, two lipped flowers resembling a grinning monkey face in spring and summer. Grows 3-4' tall and wide. Cultivars available in shades of white, yellow, pink, red. Full sun to part shade.</p>
<p>Ribes species (R. speciosum, R. viburnifolium, R. 'Dancing Tassels', R. 'King Edward VII')</p> 		<p>Currants and Gooseberries</p> <p>Ribes with spines are called gooseberries; those without spines are called currants. Forms vary from up to 6' tall to ground cover. Most are deciduous, but some are evergreen. Grown for graceful habit, colorful fruits, ornamental foliage and abundant flowers. Part Sun.</p>
















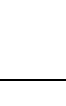








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Salvia clevelandii 'Allen Chickering,' 'Whirly Blue,' 'Poza Blue'		California Blue Sage
		<p>3 to 5' high wrinkled gray/green fragrant leaves used for tea and a preservative in potpourri. Flowers bloom in early summer in widely spaced whorls around stems. Full sun.</p>
Sambucus nigra subsp. caerulea		Blue Elderberry
		<p>Deciduous fast growing tree or shrub. White or cream flower clusters in spring and early summer, followed by blue/black berries used in jam, pies and wine. Drought tolerant but looks better with moderate water. Can be used as windbreak, large hedge or screen. Full sun.</p>
Calamagrostis foliosa		Leafy Reedgrass
		<p>Grows 1-2 ' high and wide. Bluish green leaves turn tan in fall. Arching feathery flowers panicles in summer. Does well in coastal gardens. Specimen plant. Full sun.</p>
Carex pansa		California Meadow Sedge
		<p>Forms a 6-8 inch high mat. Tolerates some foot traffic and so sometimes used as lawn substitute. Excellent between stepping stones and pavers. Occasional water and shearing needed to keep looking best, so less care than regular lawn. Weeds need to be controlled while C. pansa is establishing, but doesn't tolerate herbicides used on normal lawn. Sun or shade.</p>
Carex tumulicola		Splitawn Sedge
		<p>Formerly known as Berkeley Sedge, but found to be a European not California native. Evergreen. Forms arching clumps 2' high and wide. Spreads slowly. Can be used as a meadow or specimen plant. Grows in sun or shade but prefers light shade.</p>
Deschampsia cespitosa 'Jughandle'		Tufted Hairgrass
		<p>Forms evergreen clumps of narrow green leaves 1-2' tall and 2' wide Green to golden green airy flower heads in spring to late summer turn straw color in winter. Good choice for planting under native oaks. Can be used as meadow or specimen plant. Drought tolerant in maturity when roots mulched. Best in part shade.</p>

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<p>Elymus triticoides</p> 		<p>Alkali Rye</p> <p>Has deep rhizomatous root system. Often grown in a moist habitat to prevent soil erosion. Native cool season perennial. Stays green until late fall and goes dormant in winter. Tolerates saline-alkaline soils. Flowers in late spring with seed heads reaching 20 to 40" tall. Prefers sun. Tolerates some shade.</p>
<p>Juncus patens 'Elk Blue'</p> 	   	<p>California Gray Rush</p> <p>This grass-like clumping plant grows 2' tall and wide in a small mounding form. Native to California and the Pacific Northwest. Flowers are insignificant. It prefers moist conditions, is clay tolerant and deer resistant. Full sun to part shade.</p>
<p>Melica imperfecta</p>  	  	<p>Coast Range Melic</p> <p>This densely tufting perennial clump grass grows to 1' tall, has slender green leaves that flush out in winter, followed in spring by upright fountain-like 2-3' spikes which support smaller gray-green to cream spikelets, blushed purple and that age to tan. Will go drought deciduous in summer without irrigation. Great for a meadow or grassy borders, or a natural look in dry shade. Most effective planted en masse or small grouping. Full coastal sun to part shade inland.</p>
<p>Muhlenbergia rigens</p> 	  	<p>Deer Grass</p> <p>A warm season California native bunch grass that grows 4-5' tall and spreads over 6' wide, has narrow, gray-green leaves and 3' long silver-gray flower panicles that arch gracefully over the foliage. Extremely adaptable. Drought tolerant once established, can also tolerate regular water which keeps the foliage nearly evergreen. Great used for height in a natural meadow, or as a specimen among native shrubs. Full sun or partial shade.</p>
<p>Poa secunda</p> 	  	<p>Sandburg Bluegrass</p> <p>A cool season perennial bunchgrass native to California and North American west, it has soft, pale- to dark-green leaves and flowering culms to 3'tall. Height is highly variable from 6" to 48". Flower spikelets may be purplish. Shallow-rooted and summer dormant; tolerates dry to moist soils. Full sun to part shade.</p>
<p>Sporobolus airoides</p> 		<p>Alkali Sacaton</p> <p>This California and western North American native plant is a warm season, clump-forming grass with medium green, narrow bladed foliage to 20" tall and soft, delicate pinkish flower plumes 40" tall from June until frost. Useful for large scale ground cover, erosion control and revegetation. Full sun.</p>



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