



Hummingbird Sage

Salvia spathacea



Photo by Emily Griswald from UC Davis Arboretum Website

Fragrant herbaceous perennial with numerous long stemmed flower clusters and ground covering foliage.

Blooms late winter through summer.

This tough, drought-tolerant, native evergreen perennial has striking spikes of red/dark pink flowers in spring and fall.

The leaves have a pleasant fruity fragrance. It is an excellent groundcover for dry shade

Suggested varieties: 'Kawatre' (magenta to red-orange); 'Powerline Pink'

Other: Prefers richer soil. Afternoon shade inland. Performs better with occasional summer watering. Good under oaks. Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies.

More information:

<http://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/details.aspx?&plant=45>

<http://www.laspilitas.com/plants/617.htm>

<http://www.laspilitas.com/garden/sages.htm>