

## SUPPORT BENEFICIAL WILDLIFE

### 1. Diversify

- A. Select a rich array of plants that includes many California natives
- B. Select groundcovers, shrubs and trees that provide nesting sites
- C. Select flower and fruit producing plants for food
- D. Garden with the intent to attract wildlife.
- E. Do Not plant invasive plants [www.cal-ipc.org](http://www.cal-ipc.org)

### 2. Choose California natives first

- A. Select a variety of appropriate natives (that is natives to our area)
- B. Group plants together of at least 16 square feet
- C. Let some plants go to seed for food

### 3. Provide water and shelter

- A. Place a birdbath or pond with circulating water in your garden
- B. Select groundcover, shrubs and trees to provide nesting sites
- C. Install birdhouses – The size of the hole indicates which bird will nest there
- D. Consider leaving wood materials or a downed tree for shelter



### 4. Eliminate pesticide use

- A. Use IPM [www.ipm.ucdavis.edu](http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu)
- B. Always read the label, even for organic products