Master Gardeners of Ventura County Plant Sale March 2025

PLANTS BY TYPE

Shrubs

Arctostaphylos 'Pacific Mist' | Pacific Mist Manzanita



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR Shrub 2.5 ft. Blue Green, Grey Green SUN WIDTH FLOWER COLOR Full, Half 4-10 ft. Pink, White WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Low Winter

This is a native ground cover that grows 2'-3' high and spreads 4'-6'. It has a blue-gray, green leaves and pale pink flowers that bloom in the winter.

Ceanothus 'Concha' | Concha California Lilac



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR Shrub 4-8 ft. Dark Green WIDTH FLOWER COLOR Full, Half 5-12 ft. Blue WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Hummingbirds, Butterflies Low Spring

Concha is a lilac that grows 6'-8' in height and width. It has small narrow, glossy, dark green leaves with intense dark blue flower clusters in spring. It is tolerant of coastal and inland conditions. Most ceanothus varieties do not tolerate a lot of summer irrigation but this cultivar does. It also tolerates clay and alkali soil better than other varieties. It is hard frost tolerant.

Diplacus puniceus | Red Bush Monkeyflower



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR Shrub 1-3' Green SUN WIDTH FLOWER COLOR Orange, Red Full, Half 2-3 ft. WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Very Low Birds, Pollinators, Bees, Hummingbirds, Butterflies

Bush Monkey Flower (Diplacus puniceus) is a small shrub native to the coast areas of Southern California. It grows to about 2 feet high, has dark green leaves, and bright red trumpet-shaped flowers that can last for most of the year. However, the blooming period depends greatly on the rainfall pattern. It is an important food source for hummingbirds. It prefers full sun by the coast and part shade inland.

Encelia californica 'Farinosa' | Brittlebush



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR Shrub 1-5 ft. Grey Green, Grey, White WIDTH FLOWER COLOR SUN Full 4 ft. Yellow WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Very Low, Low Pollinators, Bees Winter, Spring

This deciduous mounding shrub typically has gray leaves that can reach 5' tall and wide. However, the leaves will turn white in drought conditions. Bright yellow 1" wide daisies appear in spring and summer. There is rapid growth following rain but this shrub is short-lived. Individual plants will reseed to repopulate. It does well in hot areas but cannot tolerate clay soils due to root rot. It will become overgrown and fragile if over watered.

Ribes viburnifolium | Catalina Evergreen Currant



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR Shrub 3-6 ft. Dark Green SUN WIDTH FLOWER COLOR Half, Shade 6-10 ft. Pink WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Low n/a Spring

The Evergreen Currant is a fragrant evergreen shrub that grows 3'-6' tall and 6'-10' wide. It has red stems and small rose-colored flowers with red berries between February and April. This shrub tolerates moist conditions and needs partial shade inland. The Evergreen Currant is native to California and is drought tolerant.

Salvia 'Celestial Blue' | Celestial Blue Sage



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR Shrub 3-5 ft. Grey Green SUN FLOWER COLOR WIDTH Full, Half 6-10 ft. Blue WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Very Low, Low Pollinators, Bees, Spring, Summer, Fall Hummingbirds, Butterflies

'Celestial Blue' has a unique flower pattern, with blue on red flowers that are loved by many hummingbird, insect, and butterfly species, including Swallowtails. The leaves are a gray green in color and provide a fragrant aroma. This shrub averages 3 to 5 feet in size and mounds as it grows. Flowers are abundant in spring and late fall. Introduced by Las Pilitas Nursery, this hybrid resulted from a cross of several species.

Salvia x 'Dara's Choice' | Dara's Choice Sage



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR 1-3' Shrub Green FLOWER COLOR SUN WIDTH Full, Half 3-6' WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Low Birds, Pollinators, Bees, Spring, Summer Hummingbirds, Butterflies

Selected by Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, this native hybrid sage forms a dense, dark green, mounding groundcover 1.5 ft. tall by 3 – 4 ft. wide. The aromatic foliage is topped with wands of soft lavender-blue flowers on small whorls in the late spring to early summer. In hotter climates, light or part shade is preferred, where it will be quite drought tolerant once established. A more refined native sage which combines well with iris, California fuchsia and grasses. Adored by bees and hummingbirds but not eaten by deer.

Ground Covers

Achillea millefolium | Common Yarrow



PLANT TYPE LEAF COLOR HEIGHT Ground cover 2-3 ft. Green SUN WIDTH FLOWER COLOR Full, Half 2-3 ft. White WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Very Low Pollinators, Bees, Butterflies Summer

Common Yarrow is a hardy perennial with hairy, evergreen green foliage. It has a tight cluster of white flowers and typically blooms in the summer months. It attracts bees and butterflies. It prefers full to part sun and becomes drought tolerant once it's established. Following bloom, one should dead head the plant and divide the clumps when it appears crowded to keep it looking tidy.

Perennials

Aquilegia formosa | Scarlet Columbine



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR Perennial 2-3 ft. Green SUN WIDTH FLOWER COLOR Red, Multi-Colored Half, Shade 2.5 ft. WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Medium, Extra in Summer Hummingbirds Spring, Summer

This perennial will grow about 1-3' tall and has medium-sized green leaves with red/scarlet flowers that bloom in spring and summer.

Sisyrinchium bellum | Blue-Eyed Grass



PLANT TYPE HEIGHT LEAF COLOR Perennial 1 ft. Green SUN WIDTH FLOWER COLOR Full, Half 1 ft. Blue, Purple WATER ATTRACTS WILDLIFE FLOWER SEASON Very Low Hummingbirds Winter, Spring, Summer

Following winter rains, this grassy perennial brings a soft texture back into the garden. It produces an abundance of small blue-purple flowers which have a long bloom cycle. The foliage is similar to Irises. This California native prefers full sun and is drought tolerant once it's established. It's great in small spaces and among rocks. This plant reaches about 1' tall.