

Jen Hurley and Dan Gaff Livermore Garden
Back Yard Plant List

Species	Common name	Type	Form	Description
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Common yarrow	Perennial herb	Upright, Spreading	
<i>Arctostaphylos</i> 'Emerald Carpet'	Emerald Carpet Manzanita	Shrub	Prostrate	Evergreen groundcover
<i>Arctostaphylos densiflora</i> x manzanita	Austin Griffiths Manzanita	Shrub	Rounded, Upright	
<i>Arctostaphylos manzanita</i> 'Dr. Hurd'	Dr. Hurd Manzanita	Shrub	Upright	
<i>Artemesia californica</i>	Motara sagebrush	Shrub	Mounding, Spreading	Highly aromatic shrub that grows in coastal sage scrub; can get weedy
<i>Ceanothus</i> 'Frosty Blue'	Frosty Blue Ceanothus	Shrub	Upright, Columnar	Evergreen mountain lilac
<i>Ceanothus</i> 'Joyce Coulter'	Joyce Coulter Mountain Lilac	Shrub	Prostrate, Mounding	Grows wider than tall, will fill in
<i>Cirsium occidentale</i>	Cobweb Thistle	Perennial herb	Upright	Native thistle with striking flowers, wooly waxy leaves
<i>Dudleya virens</i> ssp. <i>hassei</i>	Catalina Island Live-Forever	Succulent	Mounding, Spreading	Native to Santa Catalina Island. It tends to grow in rocks and cliffs.
<i>Epilobium</i> 'Roger's U.C. Hybrid'	California Fuchsia UC Hybrid	Perennial herb	Upright	
<i>Epilobium canum</i> "Sierra Salmon"	Sierra Salmon California Fuchsia	Perennial herb	Upright	Horticultural selection; profuse salmon-colored flowers in late summer or fall
<i>Epilobium cloverdale</i>	Cloverdale California Fuchsia	Perennial herb	Upright	
<i>Ericameria arborescens</i>	Golden Fleece	Shrub	Upright, Mounding	Native to chaparral; tall, billowy shrub with soft, narrow, green leaves; clusters small yellow flowers.
<i>Erigeron glaucus</i>	Seaside daisy	Perennial herb	Mounding	Perennial daisy with branching, nodding stems; grows from a stout rhizome
<i>Erigonum latifolium</i>	Coast buckwheat	Perennial herb	Mounding	Wild buckwheat of coastal bluffs and scrub
<i>Eriogonum giganteum</i>	Giant buckwheat; St. Catherine's Lace	Shrub	Mounding	Wild buckwheat variable in size

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Eriogonum grande var. rubescens	Red-flowered Buckwheat	Perennial herb	Mounding	Mat-forming plant producing tall, stout flower clusters
Eriogonum nudum	Nude buckwheat	Perennial herb	Mounding	Tall, bare, leafless stem, bifurcating into more stems, each topped with rounded clusters of flowers
Festuca californica	California Fescue	Grass	Upright, Fountain	Clumping perennial without rhizomes
Lonicera hispidula	Hairy honeysuckle	Vine	Spreading	Native vine (if trellised) or shrub primarily found along the coast
Lupinus albifrons	Silver Lupine	Shrub	Mounding, Spreading	Grows throughout CA in a variety of plant communities
Malacothamnus hallii	Hall's Bush Mallow	Shrub	Upright, Spreading	Thick textured leaves, and pink blooms in summer. Use as background shrub in perennial border.
Mimulus 'Vibrant Red'	Vibrant Red Monkeyflower	Shrub	Rounded	
Monardella villosa	Coyote mint	Perennial herb	Subshrub	Small bush or matted tangle of hairy mint-scented foliage
Muhelbergia rigens	Deergrass	Grass	Upright, Fountain	Large perennial bunchgrass
Parkinsonia florida	Blue Palo Verde	Tree	Upright	native tree in the Fabaceae (Legume) family that grows in the Sonoran Desert
Penstemon heterophyllus 'Catherine de la Mare'	Penstemon 'Catherine de la Mare'	Perennial herb	Fountain	Electric blue tubular flowers blush purple as they age. Low (12 -18 in tall) plant with a loose, open habit.
Penstemon heterophyllus "Blue Spring"	Foothill penstemon Blue Spring	Perennial herb	Fountain	Perennial herb producing upright branching stems
Peritoma arborea	Bladderpod	Shrub	Mounding	Caper family; grows in a variety of habitats from coastal bluffs to desert arroyos
Romneya coulteri	Matilija Poppy	Perennial herb	Upright, Weeping	poppy native to SoCal and Baja, grows in dry canyons in chaparral and coastal sage scrub communities
Rosa californica	California rose	Shrub	Rounded, Mounding	Deciduous thicket-forming shrub with prickly, curving stems
Salvia apiana	White sage	Shrub	Mounding	Cornerstone species of the coastal sage scrub habitat of Southern California

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Salvia clevelandia pozo blue	Cleveland Sage	Shrub	Mounding	Fast growing and highly aromatic species of sage native to SoCal and Baja
Solidago californica	California goldenrod	Perennial herb	Spreading	Tends to grow in open grassy places; can tolerate summer water; spreads via creeping rootstock
Sphaeralcea ambigua var. rugosa	Apricot mallow	Perennial herb	Upright, Mounding	Perennial herb native to SoCal deserts
Sporobolus airoides	Alkali Sacaton	Grass	Upright, Fountain	Native grass known for tolerating alkaline soils and slightly more moisture
Verbena lilacina 'De La Mina'	De La Mina Verbena	Shrub	Rounded	Horticultural selection from Verbena lilacina; adaptable mounding perennial