







**WaterSmart Plant List for the Sacramento Region**  
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<i>Acacia</i>	<i>redolens</i>	'Low Boy'	<a href="#">Low Boy Acacia</a>	VL	Evergreen	FS	8, 9, 12-14	1-2' T / 12-15' W	143	Yellow / Spring	Y		Y			Y						
<i>Achillea</i>	<i>tomentosa</i>	& cvs.	<a href="#">Woolly Yarrow</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	A1-A3, 1-24	Mat to 6" T / 1-1/2' W	2	Yellow / Spring, Summer	Y		Y	Y								
<i>Ajuga</i>	<i>reptans</i>	& cvs.	<a href="#">Carpet Bugle</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	A2, A3, 1-24	2-6" T / 1.5' W	2	Blue / Spring, Summer			Y	Y								
<i>Ajuga</i>	<i>reptans</i>	'Catlin's Giant'	<a href="#">Catlin's Giant Ajuga</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	A2, A3, 1-24	4-9" T / 1-2' W	2	Blue / Spring			Y	Y								
<i>Anemopsis</i>	<i>californica</i>		<a href="#">Yerba Mansa</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	4-24, H1	1' T / 2-3' W	5	White / Spring, Summer		Y		Y	Y							
<i>Arctostaphylos</i>		'Emerald Carpet'	<a href="#">Emerald Carpet Manzanita</a>	M	Evergreen	FS	6-9, 14-24	10-16" T / 5' W	20	White / Winter, Spring	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y						
<i>Arctostaphylos</i>		'Pacific Mist'	<a href="#">Pacific Mist Manzanita</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	7-9, 14-24	2-3' T / 6-12' W	64	White / Winter	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y						
<i>Arctostaphylos</i>	<i>edmundsii</i>	'Carmel Sur'	<a href="#">Carmel Sur Manzanita</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	6-9,14-24	1-2' T / 4-6' W	20	Pink / Spring	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y						
<i>Arctostaphylos</i>	<i>uva-ursi</i>	'Massachusetts'	<a href="#">Massachusetts Manzanita</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	A-1-A3, 1-9, 14-24	1' T / 10-15' W	113	Pinkis-White / Winter, Spring	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y						
<i>Arctostaphylos</i>	<i>uva-ursi</i>	'Point Reyes'	<a href="#">Pt. Reyes Kinnikinnick</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	A1-A3, 1-9, 14-24	1-2' T / 3-5' W	13	Pink / Winter	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y						
<i>Arctostaphylos</i>	<i>uva-ursi</i>	'Wood's Compact'	<a href="#">Wood's Compact Bearberry</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	A1-A3, 1-9, 14-24	1' T / 3-6' W	16	White / Spring, Summer	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y						
<i>Artemisia</i>	<i>californica</i>	'Canyon Gray'	<a href="#">Canyon Gray Sagebrush</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	7-9, 14-24	1' T / 6' W	28	Yellow / Summer, Fall	Y	Y	Y	Y								
<i>Baccharis</i>	<i>pilularis</i>	& cvs.	<a href="#">Dwarf Coyote Brush</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	5-11, 14-24	8-24" T / 6' W	24	White / Fall	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y						
<i>Baccharis</i>	<i>pilularis</i>	'Pigeon Point'	<a href="#">Pigeon Point Coyote Brush</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	5-11, 14-24	18-24" / 10-12' W	95	White Insignificant / Fall	Y	Y	Y	Y								
<i>Baccharis</i>	<i>pilularis</i>	'Twin Peaks #2'	<a href="#">Twin Peaks Coyote Brush</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	5-11, 14-24	3' T / 8' W	50	White, Yellow / Fall	Y	Y	Y	Y								
<i>Ceanothus</i>		'Centennial'	<a href="#">Centennial Wild Lilac</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	5-9, 14-24	2' T / 10' W	79	Dark Blue / Spring, Summer	Y	Y		Y								
<i>Ceanothus</i>		'Joyce Coulter'	<a href="#">Joyce Coulter Wild Lilac</a>	M	Evergreen	FS	5-9, 14-24	2-5' T / 10-12' W	95	Blue / Spring	Y	Y		Y								
<i>Ceanothus</i>	<i>thyrsiflorus</i>	var. <i>griseus</i> 'Carmel Creeper'	<a href="#">Carmel Creeper</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	5-9, 14-24	1' T / 10-15' W	123	Light Blue / Winter, Spring	Y	Y		Y								
<i>Cerastium</i>	<i>tomentosum</i>		<a href="#">Snow-in-Summer</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	A1, A2, 1-24	6-8" T / 2-3' W	5	White / Spring, Summer	Y		Y									
<i>Ceratostigma</i>	<i>plumbaginoides</i>		<a href="#">Dwarf Plumbago</a>	M	Deciduous	FS/PS	2B-10, 14-24	1-1.5' T / W	2	Blue / Summer, Fall			Y	Y								
<i>Chamaemelum</i>	<i>nobile</i>		<a href="#">Creeping Chamomile</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	2 to 24	3-12" T / W	1	Yellow, White / Summer	Y		Y	Y								
<i>Chamaemelum</i>	<i>nobile</i>	'Treneague'	<a href="#">Treneague Chamomile</a> , <a href="#">Roman Chamomile</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	2 to 24	3-12" T / 1' W	1		Y		Y									

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<i>Cistus</i>		'Sunset', 'Brilliancy'	<a href="#">Sunset, Brilliancy Rockrose</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	4-9, 14-24	2-3' T / 6-8' W	38	Pink / Late Spring, Summer	Y		Y	Y		Y
<i>Cistus</i>	<i>x skanbergii</i>		<a href="#">Pink Rockrose</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	4-9, 14-24	3-4' T / 6-8' W	38	Light Pink / Spring	Y		Y	Y		Y
<i>Convolvulus</i>	<i>mauritanicus</i>		<a href="#">Ground Morning Glory</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	4-9, 12-24	2' T / 2-3' W	5	Light Blue / Year-round						Y
<i>Cotoneaster</i>	<i>dammeri</i>	'Lowfast'	<a href="#">Bearberry Cotoneaster</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	2 to 24	1' T / 8-12' W	79	White / Spring	Y		Y	Y		
<i>Cotoneaster</i>	<i>dammeri</i>	'Streib's Findling'	<a href="#">Streib's Findling Cotoneaster</a>	M	Evergreen	FS	2 to 24	6" T / 8' W	50	White / Spring	Y		Y	Y		Y
<i>Cotoneaster</i>	<i>horizontalis</i>		<a href="#">Rock Cotoneaster</a>	L	Deciduous to Semi-evergreen	FS	A3, 2B-11, 14-24	2-3' T / 15' W	177	White / Spring	Y		Y	Y		Y
<i>Delosperma</i>	<i>cooperi</i>		<a href="#">Cooper's Ice Plant</a>	L	Semi-evergreen	FS/PS	2 to 24	3" T / 1.5' W	2	Purple / Spring, Summer, Fall	Y		Y	Y		
<i>Dymondia</i>	<i>margaretae</i>		<a href="#">Dymondia, Silver Carpet</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	9b-11, 15-24	2-3" T / Spreading 1.5-3' W	5	Yellow / Summer	Y		Y			Y
<i>Euonymus</i>	<i>fortunei</i>	'Emerald Gaiety'	<a href="#">Emerald Gaiety Wintercreeper</a>	M	Evergreen	FS	2B-17	2-4' T / 3' W	7	Inconspicuous						
<i>Euonymus</i>	<i>fortunei</i>	'Emerald 'n Gold'	<a href="#">Emerald 'N Gold Wintercreeper</a>	M	Evergreen	FS	2B-17	2' T / 5' W	20	Inconspicuous						
<i>Fragaria</i>	<i>vesca</i>		<a href="#">Woodland Strawberry, California Strawberry</a>	M	Herbaceous	PS/SH	2B-9, 14-24, H2	1' T / 3' W	7	White / Winter, Spring, Summer	Y	Y	Y	Y		
<i>Gazania</i>	spp.	& hybrids	<a href="#">Clumping Gazania</a>	M	Evergreen	FS	8 to 24	6-10" T / 1-2' W	2	Yellow, White, Orange, Bronze / Spring, Summer	Y		Y	Y		Y
<i>Hypericum</i>	<i>calycinum</i>		<a href="#">Aaron's Beard, Creeping St. Johnswort</a>	M	Evergreen to Semi-evergreen	FS/PS	2B-24	1' T / 3-4' W	10	Yellow / Spring, Summer	Y		Y	Y		
<i>Juniperus</i>	<i>horizontalis</i>	'Blue Chip'	<a href="#">Blue Chip Juniper</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	1 to 24	1' T / 6-8' W	38		Y		Y			Y
<i>Juniperus</i>	<i>procumbens</i>	'Nana'	<a href="#">Dwarf Japanese Garden Juniper</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	1 to 24	1' T / 4-6' W	16		Y		Y			Y
<i>Lantana</i>		hybrids	<a href="#">Lantana</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8-10, 12-24	2-6' T / 2-10' W	28	Yellow, Pink, Orange, Red / Year-round	Y		Y	Y		Y
<i>Lantana</i>		x 'New Gold' & hybrids	<a href="#">New Gold Lantana</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8-10, 12-24	1-1/2-2' T / 3' W	7	Yellow/ Spring, Summer, Fall	Y		Y	Y		Y
<i>Lantana</i>	<i>montevidensis (sellowiana)</i>		<a href="#">Trailing Lantana</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8-10, 12-24	3' T / 3-6' W	16	Purple / Year-round	Y		Y	Y		Y

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<i>Lessingia (Corethrogyne)</i>	<i>filaginifolia</i>	'Silver Carpet'	<a href="#">California Beach Aster</a>	M	Evergreen	FS	4-9, 16-24	4' T / 6-8' W	38	Lavender / Spring, Summer	Y	Y		Y		
<i>Myoporum</i>	<i>parvifolium</i>	& cvs.	<a href="#">Myoporum</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8, 9, 12-24	3-6" T / 9' W	64	White / Summer	Y		Y			Y
<i>Myoporum</i>	<i>parvifolium</i>	'Burgundy Carpet'	<a href="#">Myoporum</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8, 9, 12-24	3-6" T / 9' W	64	White / Summer	Y		Y			Y
<i>Myoporum</i>	<i>parvifolium</i>	'Prostratum', 'White'	<a href="#">White Myoporum</a> , <a href="#">Creeping Myoporum</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8, 9, 12-24	3-6" T / 9' W	64	White / Summer	Y		Y			Y
<i>Myoporum</i>	<i>parvifolium</i>	'Putah Creek'	<a href="#">Putah Creek Myoporum</a> , <a href="#">Creeping Myoporum</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8, 9, 12-24	1-2' T / 8' W	50	White / Summer	Y		Y			Y
<i>Osteospermum</i>	<i>fruticosum</i>		<a href="#">Trailing African Daisy</a> , <a href="#">Freeway Daisy</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8, 9, 12-24	.5-1' T / 2-4' W	7	Lilac / Year-round	Y		Y	Y	Y	
<i>Phlox</i>	<i>subulata</i>	hybrids & cvs.	<a href="#">Moss Pink</a> , <a href="#">Moss Phlox</a>	M	Evergreen to Semi-evergreen	FS/PS	1 to 17	6" T / 2' W	7	White, Pink, Lavender-blue / Spring, Summer	Y		Y	Y		
<i>Phyla (Lippia)</i>	<i>nodiflora</i>		<a href="#">Common Lippia</a> , <a href="#">Frogfruit</a>	L	Winter Dormant	FS	8 to 24, H1, H2	10' W, Spreading	44	Purple, Lavender / Spring, Summer	Y	Y		Y		
<i>Phyla (Lippia)</i>	<i>nodiflora</i>	'Kurapia'	<a href="#">Kurapia</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	8 to 24	2" T / 2' W, Spreading	3	White, Pink / Spring, Summer, Fall	Y			Y		
<i>Pyracantha</i>	<i>coccinea</i>	'Low Boy'	<a href="#">Lowboy (Mediterranea)</a> , <a href="#">Pyracantha</a>	L	Evergreen	FS	4 to 24	2-5' T / 3-6' W	16	White / Spring			Y	Y		
<i>Rosa</i>		Floral Carpet' & hybrids	<a href="#">Tesselaar Floral Carpet</a> , <a href="#">Roses</a>	M	Deciduous	FS	7 to 9, 14, 24	1.5' T / W	2	White, Pink, Yellow, Red / Spring, Summer, Fall	Y			Y		
<i>Rubus</i>	<i>pentalobus (rolfei, calycinoides)</i>	'Emerald Carpet'	<a href="#">Creeping Rubus</a>	M	Evergreen	PS/SH	4-6, 14-17	.5-1' T / 5' W	20	White / Spring			Y			
<i>Ruschia</i>	<i>lineolata</i>	'Nana' PPAF	<a href="#">Dwarf Carpet of Stars</a>	WNA / L	Evergreen	FS/PS	8, 9, 14	1-2" T / 1' W	1	White, Pink / Winter, Spring	Y			Y		
<i>Sarcococca</i>	<i>hookeriana</i>	var. <i>humilis</i>	<a href="#">Sweet Sarcococca</a>	M	Evergreen	PS/SH	3-9, 14-24	1.5' T / 8' W	50	White / Spring	Y		Y	Y		
<i>Sollya</i>	<i>heterophylla</i>		<a href="#">Australian Blue Bell</a> , <a href="#">Creeper</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	8, 9, 14-24, H1, H2	2-3' T / 4-5' W	16	Blue / Summer	Y		Y			
<i>Symphoricarpos</i>	<i>mollis</i>		<a href="#">Creeping Snowberry</a> , <a href="#">Spreading Snowberry</a>	L	Deciduous	PS/SH	2-10, 14-24	1.5' T / 3-4' W	10	Pink / Spring	Y	Y	Y	Y		
<i>Teucrium</i>	<i>chamaedrys</i>	'Prostratum'	<a href="#">Compact Creeping</a> , <a href="#">Germander</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	2 to 24	3-6" T / 2-3' W	5	Pink-Purple / Summer	Y		Y	Y		

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<i>Teucrium</i>	<i>cossonii (majoricum)</i>		<a href="#">Majoricum Germander</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	7-9, 14-24	4-6" T / 2-3' W	5	Lavender, Blue / Spring, Summer	Y		Y	Y			
<i>Thymus</i>	<i>x citriodorus &amp; cvs.</i>		<a href="#">Lemon Thyme</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	1 to 24	6-12" T / 2' W	3	Pale Lilac / Spring, Summer			Y	Y			
<i>Thymus</i>	<i>polytrichus (praecox)</i>	<i>britannicus (arcticus)</i>	<a href="#">Mother-of-Thyme</a>	L	Evergreen	FS/PS	A2, A3, 1-24	1-3" T / 1-3' W	3	Pink, White / Spring, Summer			Y	Y			
<i>Thymus</i>	<i>serpyllum (pseudolanuginosus)</i>		<a href="#">Woolly Thyme</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	A2, A3, 1-24	2-3" T / 3' W	7	Pink / Summer	Y		Y	Y			
<i>Thymus</i>	<i>vulgaris</i>		<a href="#">Common Thyme</a>	M	Herbaceous	FS	1 to 24	1' T / 2' W	3	Purple / Spring, Summer	Y		Y	Y			
<i>Trachelospermum</i>	<i>jasminoides</i>		<a href="#">Star Jasmine</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	8-24, H1, H2	1-2' T / 10-20' W	177	White / Spring, Summer			Y	Y		Y	
<i>Vinca</i>	<i>minor (Do Not Use V. major)</i>		<a href="#">Dwarf Periwinkle</a>	M	Evergreen	FS/PS	1 to 24	4-6" T / 1.5' W	2	Lavender-Blue / Spring	Y		Y				