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This leaflet only hints at the many possible ways native plants can be used in gardens. The outdoor places you can create are limited only by imagination and by the plants' adaptability. Some plants may not tolerate extremes of temperatures inland, while others may not thrive in the cool, humid coastal summers. They also vary in their needs for water, sun, soil drainage, and soil nutrients.

Get to know your property. Learn the ranges of heat and cold, soil texture and fertility, shade and sun, degree of slopes, windy and sheltered areas. Then start to design, thinking of ultimate plant height, volume, colors, seasonal variations, and plant species that will thrive together under similar conditions and gardening care. Consult the available literature and remember that many people can offer expert advice to help you select and care for your plants. CNPS members and native plant nursery staff can help you select the right plant for your location. Please see the CNPS Sources handout for places to obtain native plants, or log on to:

<http://www.cnpssd.org/horticulture/nurseries.html>.

The plants described here are featured in a slide show; groups of ten or more people can request the slide presentation that is the basis for this list by contacting the San Diego chapter of CNPS at the number on the top of this page.

Plant List – Annotated by Bird's Uses

Key for bird-friendly plants

C – Cover, nest site; **I** – Insects (food); **M** – Material for nest; **N** – Nectar; **S** – Seed, berry

BRILLIANT EDGERS FOR SUN (some tolerate part-shade)

Yellow/Peach

I	<i>Abutilon palmeri</i>	Indian Mallow*
S	<i>Eriogonum crocatum</i>	Conejo Buckwheat*
S	<i>Eriogonum umbellatum</i>	Sulphur Buckwheat *
	<i>Eriophyllum confertiflorum</i>	Golden Yarrow*
S	<i>Eschscholzia californica</i>	California Poppy
	<i>Dendromecon harfordii</i>	Island Bush Poppy
	<i>Hunnemannia fumariifolia</i>	Mexican Tulip Poppy*
S	<i>Oenothera ela ssp. hookeri</i>	Hooker's Evening Primrose
	<i>Perityle incana</i>	Guadalupe Island Rock Daisy*
C I	<i>Sphaeralcea ambigua</i>	Desert Apricot Mallow*

Blue/Purple

C I S	<i>Ceanothus 'Joyce Coulter'</i>	California Lilac Variety*
	<i>Dalea orcuttii</i>	Orcutt's Indigo Bush*
N	<i>Penstemon spectabilis</i>	Showy Penstemon *
S N	<i>Salvia munzii</i>	Munz's Sage*

BRILLIANT EDGERS FOR SUN (cont.)

Magenta/Pink/Red

		<i>Calliandra eriophylla</i> [=C. californica]	Fairy Duster
		<i>Clarkia amoena</i>	Farewell-to-Spring
N		<i>Epilobium cana</i> & varieties [=Zauschneria]	California Fuchsia*
		<i>Lobelia laxiflora</i>	Mexican Lobelia Bush*
N		<i>Penstemon centranthifolius</i>	Scarlet Bugler*

Rainbow of Colors

		<i>Iris douglasiana</i> & Pacific Coast hybrids	Iris*
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BOLD FRONT ENTRANCE (Plants 2 – 4 feet tall)

C	S	<i>Arctostaphylos</i> 'Dr. Hurd'	Dr. Hurd Manzanita
C	S	<i>Mahonia</i> x' Golden Abundance'	
C	N	<i>Mimulus aurantiacus</i>	Sticky Monkey Flower*
	S	<i>Romneya coulteria</i>	Matilija Poppy *
C	N	<i>Trichostemma lanatum</i>	Wooley Blue Curls*

GROUNDCOVERS (less than 18 inches typically, low fuel - firesafe)

	S	<i>Arctostaphylos</i> 'John Dourley'	Manzanita variety
	S	<i>Artemisia californica</i> 'Canyon Grey'	California Sage*
	S	<i>Artemisia pycnocephala</i>	Sandhill Sage*
	S	<i>Camissonia chieranthifolia</i>	Beach Evening Primrose
I	S	<i>Ceanothus maritimus</i>	Maritime California Lilac*
	S	<i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i> 'Dana Point'	Dana Point Buckwheat*
		<i>Satureja chandleri</i>	San Miguel Savory
		<i>Satureja douglasii</i>	Yerba Buena
	S	<i>Solidago californica</i>	California Goldenrod

BIG SPREADING SHRUBS (For landscaping big areas such as slopes)

C		<i>Isomeris arborea</i> [=Cleome]	Bladderpod
C		<i>Dendromecon rigida</i>	Bush Poppy
C	S	<i>Encelia californica</i>	Coast Sunflower*
C	S	<i>Encelia farinosa</i>	Encienso, Brittlebush
C	S	<i>Eriogonum arborescens</i>	Channel Island Buckwheat*
C	S	<i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i>	California Buckwheat*
C	S	<i>Eriogonum giganteum</i>	St. Catherine's Lace*
C	N	<i>Galvezia speciosa</i>	Island Bush Snapdragon and Varieties *
C	S N	<i>Salvia apiana</i>	White Sage*
C	S N	<i>Salvia mellifera</i>	Black Sage *
C	S N	<i>Salvia clevelandii</i>	Cleveland Sage *
	N	<i>Solanum xantii</i>	Chaparral Nightshade

SCREENING SHRUBS AND TREES - 4 feet and taller (evergreen unless noted)

C	<i>Betula occidentalis</i>	River Birch – Deciduous
C I S	<i>Ceanothus arboreus</i>	California Lilac*
C I S	<i>Ceanothus</i> ‘Frosty Blue’	California Lilac variety*
C I S	<i>Ceanothus</i> ‘Sierra Blue’	California Lilac variety*
C I S	<i>Ceanothus</i> ‘Ray Hartman’*	California Lilac variety*
C I S	<i>Ceanothus</i> ‘Concha’*	California Lilac variety*
C S	<i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i>	Mountain Mahogany*
C	<i>Fremontodendron</i> ‘California Glory’	Flannel Bush*
C I	<i>Lavatera assurgentiflora</i>	Island Tree Mallow*
C I	<i>Malacothamnus fasciculatus</i>	Chaparral Mallow
C I	<i>Prunus lyonii</i>	Catalina Cherry*
C I	<i>Prunus ilicifolia</i>	Holly-Leaf Cherry
C I S	<i>Quercus dumosa</i>	Nuttall’s Scrub Oak
C I S	<i>Quercus berberidifolia</i>	Scrub Oak
C S	<i>Rhus integrifolia</i>	Lemonadeberry*
C S	<i>Rhamnus californica</i>	Coffeeberry*

TREES (annotated as Small/Medium/Large; evergreen unless noted)

C	<i>Brahea armata</i>	Blue Hesper Palm, Mexican Blue Palm M/L *
C S	<i>Cercis occidentalis</i>	Western Redbud Deciduous S/M
C	<i>Cupressus arizonica</i> [=stephensonii]	Cuyamaca Cypress S *
C S	<i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i>	Hollyberry, Toyon M*
C	<i>Lyonothamnus floribundus</i> var. <i>asplenifolius</i>	Fernleaf Catalina Ironwood M/L
C I	<i>Parkinsonia aculeata</i>	Mexican Palo Verde M*
C	<i>Pinus muricata</i>	Bishop Pine S
C	<i>Pinus torreyana</i>	Torrey Pine L *
C I	<i>Platanus racemosa</i>	Sycamore (Deciduous) L *
C I S	<i>Quercus agrifolia</i>	Coast Live Oak L*
C I S	<i>Quercus engelmannii</i>	Mesa Or Engelmann Oak M/L
C I S N	<i>Sambucus mexicana</i>	Blue Elderberry S/M *

COLORFUL SHADE PLANTS (some require more moisture than others)

C	<i>Calycanthus occidentalis</i>	Spice Bush*
	<i>Heuchera hybrids</i>	Coral Bells*
	N <i>Minulus guttatus</i>	Yellow Monkey Flower
C S	<i>Ribes sanguineum</i> var. <i>glutinosum</i>	Redflowering Currant*
C S	<i>Rosa minutifolia</i>	Desert Rose
C S	<i>Rosa californica</i>	Wild Rose*

CLIMBERS

	<i>Calystegia macrostegia</i> ‘Anacapa Pink’	Island Morning Glory
C N	<i>Keckiella cordifolia</i>	Heart-Leaved Penstemon
C S	<i>Vitis girdiana</i>	Desert Grape*
C S	<i>Vitis californica</i> ‘Roger’s Red’	Grape

LITTLE FILLERS & GRASS-LIKE ACCENTS

S	M	<i>Aristida purpurea</i>	Purple Three-Awn *
		<i>Carex spissa</i>	a dwarf Sedge
		<i>Dudleya hassei</i>	Catalina Island Dudleya*
		<i>Dudleya pulverulenta</i>	Chalk Lettuce *
		<i>Dudleya edulis</i>	Dead Lady's Fingers*
S	M	<i>Muhlenbergia rigens</i>	Deer Grass *
S	M	<i>Nasella pulchra</i>	Purple Stipa
S	M	<i>Nasella cernua</i>	Nodding Needlegrass
		<i>Sisyrinchium bellum</i>	Blue-Eyed Grass*

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