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California buckwheat (*Eriogonum fasciculatum*)

Mature size: 3-4 ft tall, 4+ ft wide

Prefers full sun, but will tolerate part shade

Once established, deep summer watering can be 1 x month or less

Will tolerate hard pruning

Popcorn-like cream and pink flower clusters bloom from summer to fall and take on rust hues at the end of season



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White sage (*Salvia apiana*)

Mature size: 3-5 ft tall, 5 ft wide

Prefers full sun

Once established, deep summer watering can be 1 x month or less
A favorite of carpenter and bumble bees (*apiana* means bee plant)
Aromatic leaves start green and whiten as they mature. Delicate white flowers form atop tall stalks in the spring and summer



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Cleveland sage (*Salvia clevelandii*)

Mature size: 5 ft tall, 4 ft wide. For a more compact variety, consider 'Winifred Gilman'

Prefers full sun to part shade

Once established, deep summer watering can be 1 x month or less. Up to 2 x month with cultivars.

Fast grower, oval, ashy-green leaves, prolific producer of purple tubular flowers from spring to summer



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California bush sunflower (*Encelia californica*)

Mature size: 3 ft tall, 4 ft wide

Prefers full sun to part shade

Once established, deep summer watering can be 1 x month or less

Easy to grow, but can spread quickly by seed. May need some hemming in, but this is my favorite bait for native bee-watching

Forms a bushy, sprawling shrub with diamond shaped green leaves. Abundant solitary yellow daisy-like flowers bloom from winter to summer