

Angers' Front Yard Plant List

Native ¹	Botanical Name	Common Name	Attracts Wildlife	Edible ²	Notes
Trees					
LVMR	Aesculus californica	California Buckeye	Butterflies, Moths		Handsome, thick-stemmed silhouette, trunk ages to a silvery smooth bark. Large, fragrant spring blooms.
CA	Cercis occidentalis	Western Redbud	Hummingbirds, Bees	Flowers edible, try adding to salads	Beautiful magenta spring blooms.
LVMR	Quercus lobata	Valley Oak	Butterflies	Acorns historically used: ground and leached for mush, very bitter	Lives for 400+ years.
Trees to Remain for Habitat and Shade					
	Fraxinus	Ash	Bees		Planted by City ~10 years ago. Bees love the June flowers.
	Prunus atropurpurea	Purple leafed plum	Birds	Plums are tasty but tart.	Retained the bigger/healthier of the 2 existing plums.
	Robinia pseudoacacia 'Purple Robe'	Black Locust 'Purple Robe'			Beautiful spring blooms, but full of thorns.
Shrubs					
CA	Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Monterey Carpet'	Manzanita	Butterflies, Hummingbirds, Bees		Unlike most manzanitas, leaves are coarsely and irregularly serrated.
	Artemisia 'Powis Castle'	Wormwood			3' tall silvery, lacy mounding shrub. Bruised leaves offer pleasing scent. Native artesmia not as tidy, but often a good choice.
CA	Eriogonum grande var. rubescens	Red flowered buckwheat	Butterflies, Bees		Native habitat: Coastal bluffs and rocky slopes, coastal scrub and grasslands below 700 feet.
CA	Carpenteria californica	Bush Anemone	Bees		Lightly fragrant camellia-like white flowers.
CA	Ceanothus 'Yankee Point'	California Lilac	Butterflies, Hummingbirds, Bees		Low growing shrub/ground cover; long favored for the California landscape.
CA	Penstemon heterophyllus 'Margarita BOP'	NCN	Butterflies, Hummingbirds, Bees		Provides a splash of color in border plantings. Purplish bloom iridescence.
CA	Vaccinium ovatum	Huckleberry	Birds	Fall berries sweet in coastal sites, inland are tart?	Early spring blooms, fall berries. Foliage excellent for cut arrangements.
CA	Verbena licacina 'Del La Mina'	Lilac Verbena	Butterflies, Bees		Blooms spring through fall; its flowers attract a myriad of butterflies, making it an exceptional plant for butterfly gardens.
Sub-Shrubs					
	Achillea millefolium 'Island Pink'	Yarrow	Butterflies, Bees, Flies, Beetles		Pink flowers. Blooms literally year around! Spreads underground readily.
	Achillea millefolium 'Moonshine'	Yarrow	Butterflies, Bees, Flies, Beetles		Yellow flowers.

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Sub-Shrubs, Continued					
	Achillea millefolium 'Paprika'	Yarrow	Butterflies, Bees, Flies, Beetles		Red flowers.
LVMR	Achillea millefolium 'Black Butte'	Yarrow	Butterflies, Bees, Flies, Beetles		White flowers. Common throughout California, except deserts.
CA	Heuchera 'Canyon Delight'	Coral Bells	Hummingbirds		A hybrid from the CA native Heuchera. Hybrids available in almost every color!
LVMR	Mimulus straight species	Sticky monkeyflower	Butterflies, Hummingbirds		Orange-colored blossoms, Long blooming, but finicky about site conditions.
Ground Cover / Grasses					
CA	Arcostaphylos uva-ursi 'Point Reyes'	Point Reyes Kinnikinnick	Butterflies, Hummingbirds, Bees		Low growing manzanita. If leaves turn yellow, add nitrogen fertilizer if grown outside it's natural range.
	Erigeron karvinskianus	Santa Barbara Daisy	Butterflies		Freely blooming plants with daisy-like flowers.
	Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue'	Common Blue Fescue			8" tall dense clumps look like a hedgehog.
CA	Festuca idahoensis	Idaho Fescue			Occurs in northwestern California, in the central and northern Coast Ranges. Grows to 2' to 3' tall loose clump.
CA	Juncus patens 'Occidental Blue'	Wire Grass			Strong vertical growth habit; blue-green color. Actually a riparian plant.
CA	Leymus c. 'Canyon Prince'	Wild Rye			Stunning grass with blue-green colored blades.
CA	Muhlenbergia rigens	Deer Grass			Tough and beautiful native CA ornamental grass. Much smaller in shade than full sun.
Other					
CA	Eschscholzia californica	California Poppy	Bees, Beetles		Annual. Readily self sows, can become a pest.
CA	Iris Douglasiana PCH	Pacific Coast Iris			Evergreen herbaceous perennial, hybrids come in a variety of bloom colors.
CA	Polystichum munitum	Western Sword Fern			Evergreen fern. Prefers full sun only near coast; needs shade inland. Not very happy here, ideally grown in the forest understory.
CA	Sedum Spathuliforium 'Cape Blanco'	Sedum			Nice evergreen succulent for pots or ground cover, blooms June to August.

Legend

¹ LVMR = Livermore, CA = California

² Edible info per Las Pilitas Nursery. Not responsible for allergic or other reactions to edibles

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