

Native Plants for Coastal Gardens

Southern California coastal garden conditions are relatively dry (usually less than 15 inches/year) with erratic, unpredictable winter rains, the presence of salt spray, daily breezes and summertime fog, and little chance of freezing temperatures. Plant communities include coastal strand, coastal sage scrub and chaparral. The following list includes plants that can accept winds and salt spray.

Plant Name	Common Name
Perennial	
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	yarrow
‘ <i>Calistoga</i> ’	Calistoga yarrow
‘ <i>Island Pink</i> ’	Island Pink yarrow
<i>Agave shawii</i>	Shaw’s agave
<i>Ambrosia latifolia</i>	yellow sand-verbena
<i>A. maritima</i>	red sand-verbena
<i>A. umbellate</i>	common sand-verbena
<i>Artemisia pycnocephala</i> ‘ <i>David’s Choice</i> ’	David’s Choice sagewort
<i>Armeria maritima var. californica</i>	sea pink
<i>Aster chilensis</i> ‘ <i>Point St. George</i> ’	Point St. George aster
<i>Coreopsis gigantea</i>	tree coreopsis
<i>C. maritima</i>	sea dahlia
<i>Dudleya brittonii</i>	Britton’s live forever
<i>D. ‘Frank Reinelt’</i>	Frank Reinelt dudleya
<i>D. pulverulenta</i>	chalk live dudleya
<i>D. virens ssp. hassei</i>	dudleya
<i>Erigeron glaucus</i>	seaside daisy
<i>Erigeron ‘W.R.’</i>	Wayne Roderick seaside daisy
<i>Eriogonum. latifolium</i>	coast buckwheat
<i>Eriophyllum nevinii</i>	Catalina silver lace
‘ <i>Canyon Silver</i> ’	SBBG introduction
<i>E. staechadifolium</i>	seaside wooly sunflower

<i>Festuca rubra</i> ‘Jughandle’	Jughandle red fescue
<i>F. rubra</i> ‘Patrick’s Point’	Patrick’s Point red fescue
<i>Fragaria chiloensis</i>	beach strawberry
<i>F. chiloensis</i> ‘Aulon’	Aulon beach strawberry
<i>Galvezia speciosa</i> ‘Firecracker’	Firecracker bush snapdragon
<i>Grindelia camporum</i>	giant gum-plant
<i>G. stricta</i> var. <i>platyphylla</i>	gum-plant
<i>Iris douglasiana</i>	Douglas iris
<i>Juncus patens</i> and cultivars	common rush
<i>Lessingia filaginifolia</i> ‘Silver Carpet’	Silver Carpet California aster
<i>Leymus condensatus</i> ‘Canyon Prince’	Canyon Prince giant wild rye
<i>Lupinus arboreus</i>	bush lupine
<i>Monardella crispa</i>	curl-leaf mint
<i>M. villosa</i>	coyote mint
Shrubs and Trees	sagebrush
<i>Artemisia californica</i>	Canyon Gray sagebrush
<i>A. californica</i> ‘Canyon Gray’	Montara sagebrush
<i>A. californica</i> ‘Montara’	Brewer’s quail bush
<i>Atriplex lentiformis</i> ssp. <i>breweri</i>	coyote brush
<i>Baccharis pilularis</i> and cultivars	California lilac
<i>Ceanothus gloriosus</i>	Anchor Bay California lilac
<i>C. gloriosus</i> ‘Anchor Bay’	Heart’s Desire California lilac
<i>C. gloriosus</i> ‘Heart’s Desire’	California lilac
<i>C. griseus</i>	Louis Edmunds California lilac
<i>C. griseus</i> ‘Louis Edmunds’	Carmel creeper
<i>C. griseus</i> var. <i>horizontalis</i>	Yankee Point Carmel creeper
<i>C. griseus</i> var. <i>horizontalis</i> ‘Yankee Point’	California lilac

<i>C. hearstiorum</i>	maritime ceanothus
<i>C. maritimus</i>	Frosty Dawn ceanothus
<i>C. maritimus</i> 'Frosty Dawn'	Point Sierra ceanothus
<i>C. maritimus</i> 'Point Sierra'	Popcorn ceanothus
<i>C. maritimus</i> 'Popcorn'	California lilac
<i>C. thyrsiflorus</i>	Snow Flurry ceanothus
<i>C. thyrsiflorus</i> 'Snow Flurry'	Taylor's Blue ceanothus
<i>C. thyrsiflorus</i> var. <i>repens</i> 'Taylor's Blue'	mountain mahogany
<i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i>	bush sunflower
<i>Encelia californica</i>	El Dorado bush sunflower
<i>E. californica</i> 'El Dorado'	Santa Cruz Island buckwheat
<i>Eriogonum arborescens</i>	ashyleaf buckwheat
<i>E. cinereum</i>	Dana Point buckwheat
<i>E. fasciculatum</i> 'Dana Point'	St. Catherine's lace
<i>E. giganteum</i>	red buckwheat
<i>E. grande</i> var. <i>rubescens</i>	coast buckwheat
<i>E. latifolium</i>	coast silk tassel
<i>Garrya elliptica</i>	James Roof silk tassel
<i>G. elliptica</i> 'James Roof'	toyon
<i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i>	Davis Gold toyon
<i>H. arbutifolia</i> var. <i>cerina</i> 'Davis Gold'	bladder pod
<i>Isocoma arborea</i>	tree mallow
<i>Lavatera assurgentiflora</i>	Purisima tree mallow
<i>Lavatera</i> 'Purisima'	Rocky Point pitcher sage
<i>Lepechinia calycina</i> 'Rocky Point'	fern leaf Catalina ironwood
<i>Lyonothamnus floribundus</i> ssp. <i>asplenifolius</i>	California wax myrtle
<i>Myrica californica</i>	lodge pole pine

Pinus contorta ssp. contorta

Monterey pine

P. radiata

Torrey pine

P. torreyana

Catalina cherry

Prunus ilicifolia var. lyonii

lemonade berry

Rhus integrifolia

pink flowering sumac

R. lentii