Grass Removal –
Still need to get rid of your lawn? Try sheet mulching!
- Layers of cardboard and mulch deprive grass of light.
- Layers decompose into nutrients for your new plants.
- Visit CNPS.org/gardening for more information!

Soil Amendment –
Many native plants thrive in what we consider poor soil conditions!
- AVOID chemical fertilizers and other amendments.

Mulch –
Retain moisture, feed your soils, and insulate your plants from heat and cold.
- Use organic, weed free mulch. We recommend wood chips, and gorilla hair for steep slopes.
- Apply after planting, and in late spring and early fall.
- AVOID synthetic materials. They deprive your soil and plants of nutrients.
- AVOID weed cloths, plastic, and other weed barriers. They prevent the natural cycle of nutrients through the soils, can kill beneficial organisms, and often ineffective at preventing weeds.

Hardscape –
Use permeable surfaces wherever possible to allow water to soak in to the soil below.
- Stepping stones
- Permeable paving (at least 1/4” between pavers)
- Gravel
- Decomposed granite (DG)
- Water Feature – Pollinators, birds, and wildlife need water too!
- Add a bird bath, fountain or other water feature.

Bare Soil for Bees –
Our ground dwelling, native bees need habitat! These bees are not aggressive, and will help keep your yard organized and beautiful.
- Leave a few sunny areas of your landscape unmulched.

Garden Décor –
Most importantly, have fun with your garden!
- Boulders
- Bird Feeders
- Rain Chains
- Decorative pots
- PAUSE Table – Posts and 3-dimension look with your garden decor.

Create a Habitat
Living Soil
- Make a statement in your entryway! Be sure to choose plants with a variety of colors.
- Features: large pot, decorative round stones.

Pollinator Park
- Add excitement to the parkway strip along your driveway by adding plants that butterflies and other pollinators love.
- Features: stepping stones and contrasting colors.

Wildlife Walkway
- Take a stroll through your landscape. Use permeable materials for your pathway, such as stepping stones or decomposed granite.
- Features: permeable walkway, large boulders.

Colorful Entry
- Make a statement in your entryway! Be sure to choose plants with a variety of colors.
- Features: large pot, decorative round stones.

Homey Habitat
- Featuring a bench and bird bath, you can take a seat in this habitat and enjoy all of the bustling activity in your yard!
- Features: bench, bird bath, boulders.

Pollinator Park
- Add excitement to the parkway strip along your driveway by adding plants that butterflies and other pollinators love.
- Features: stepping stones and contrasting colors.

Living Wall
- Designing your space vertically can add life to your yard. Use bold colors, and interesting shapes to make a flat area stand out.
- Features: rain chain, swale, trellis.
Vignettes Outlined By Color

1. Choose the design vignette that best fits the shape and size of your site.

2. Match the symbols with those in the plant list.

3. Select plants based on your site’s sun exposure.

4. Bonus points for choosing locally native plants!

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### California Native Plant List

#### SYMBOL | PLANT SPECIES | LOCAL | SUN | WATER | H / W | COLOR | WILDLIFE
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### TREES
- Desert Willow / *Chilopsis linearis* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 20’ | 10 - 20’ | ☀ | ☀
- Toyon / *Heteromeles arbutifolia* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 6 - 30’ | 10 - 15’ | ☀ | ☀
- Holly-leaved Cherry / *Prunus ilicifolia* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 20’ | 20’ | ☀ | ☀
- Blue Elderberry / *Sambucus nigra* ssp. *caerulea* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 20’ | 10 - 20’ | ☀ | ☀

### LARGE SHRUBS
- Howard McMinn Manzanita / *Arctostaphylos* ‘Howard McMinn’ | N | ☀ | ☀ | 6 - 8’ | 8 - 10’ | ☀ | ☀
- Ray Hartman California Lilac / *Ceanothus* ‘Ray Hartman’ | N | ☀ | ☀ | 8 - 16’ | 8 - 16’ | ☀ | ☀
- Eve Case Coffeeberry / *Frangula californica* ‘Eve Case’ | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 8 - 10’ | 8 - 10’ | ☀ | ☀
- Lemonadeberry / *Rhus integrifolia* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 8 - 15’ | 10 - 15’ | ☀ | ☀

### MEDIUM SHRUBS
- Palmer’s Mallow / *Abutilon palmeri* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 5’ | 5’ | ☀ | ☀
- Oregon Grape / *Berberis aquifolium* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 4 - 6’ | 4 - 6’ | ☀ | ☀
- White Sage / *Salvia apiana* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 3 - 5’ | 3 - 5’ | ☀ | ☀
- St. Catherine’s Lace / *Eriogonum giganteum* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 6’ | 4 - 10’ | ☀ | ☀
- Bladderpod / *Peritoma arborea* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 6’ | 2 - 6’ | ☀ | ☀

### SMALL SHRUBS
- Pigeon Point Coyote Brush / *Baccharis vari.* ‘Pigeon Point’ | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 3’ | to 6’ | ☀ | ☀
- Yankee Point California Lilac / *Ceanothus* ‘Yankee Point’ | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 3’ | to 6’ | ☀ | ☀
- California Buckwheat / *Eriogonum fasciculatum* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 3’ | 2 - 5’ | ☀ | ☀
- Apricot Mallow / *Sphaeralcea ambiguia* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 3’ | 2 - 3’ | ☀ | ☀
- CatalinaCurrant / *Ribes viburnifolium* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 3’ | 8’ | ☀ | ☀
- Purple Nightshade / *Solanum xanti* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 6’ | 4 - 10’ | ☀ | ☀
- Cleveland Sage / *Salvia clevelandii* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 3 - 4’ | 4’ | ☀ | ☀

### LOW SHRUBS
- Island Alum Root / *Heuchera maxima* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 1 - 2’ | 1 - 2’ | ☀ | ☀
- Douglas Iris / *Iris douglasiana* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 1 - 2’ | 2 - 3’ | ☀ | ☀
- Margarita BOP Penstemon / *Penstemon* ‘Margarita BOP’ | N | ☀ | ☀ | 1 - 3’ | 2 - 3’ | ☀ | ☀
- Showy Penstemon / *Penstemon spectabilis* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 4’ | 3 - 4’ | ☀ | ☀
- De La Mina Lilac Verbena / *Verbena ilicifolia* ‘De La Mina’ | N | ☀ | ☀ | 2 - 3’ | 3 - 4’ | ☀ | ☀
- California Fuchsia / *Epilobium canum* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 5 - 1.5’ | 2 - 3’ | ☀ | ☀
- Blue-Eyed Grass / *Sisyrinchium bellum* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 1 - 2’ | 5’ | ☀ | ☀

### SPREADING GROUND COVER
- Common Yarrow / *Achillea millefolium* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 1 - 3’ | 5 - 1.5’ | ☀ | ☀
- Island Pink yarrow / *Achillea millefolium ‘Island Pink’* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 1 - 1.5’ | spreading | ☀ | ☀
- Creeping Barberry / *Berberis repens* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 1.5 - 3’ | spreading | ☀ | ☀
- Bee’s Bliss Sage / *Salvia ‘Bee’s Bliss’* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 1 - 2’ | 2 - 5’ | ☀ | ☀

### GRASSES
- Blue Grama / *Bouteloua gracilis* | N | ☀ | ☀ | to 1’ | to 1’ | ☀ | ☀
- Clustered Field Sedge / *Carex praegracilis* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 1 - 3’ | 2 - 3’ | ☀ | ☀
- Deergrass / *Muhlenbergia rigens* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 3 - 4’ | 3 - 4’ | ☀ | ☀

### SUCCEULENTS
- Bright Green Dudleya / *Dudleya virens* ssp. *hassel* | N | ☀ | ☀ | 5 - 1’ | 5 - 1’ | ☀ | ☀
- Lance Leaf Live-For-Ever / *Dudleya lanceolata* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 5 - 1’ | to 5’ | ☀ | ☀

### VINES
- Anacapa Pink Calif. Morning Glory / *Calystegia ‘Anacapa Pink’* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 15 - 20’ | spreading | ☀ | ☀
- Desert Wild Grape / *Vitis girdiana* | Y | ☀ | ☀ | 10 - 20’ | spreading | ☀ | ☀

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