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Abutilon x 'Victor Reiter'  
Large, richly hued orange flowers face downward over a long bloom season on this 6-8 ft shrub. Best in a protected spot, out of afternoon blastly sun and where it can grow up through another plant. One of the best of the flowering maples. Summer water and generous fertilizer. Frost hardy in the mid teens F, USDA zone 8b.  
\$9

Acacia dealbata - Gasquet Bog (CA)  
This slightly smaller, more silvery fern-leaved mimosa, collected in the Smith River drainage as a cultivated escape, is hugely handsome in the garden or in a large container with its finely cut, deep gray-green leaves and huge trusses of scented, yellow puffball, spring flowers. Fast growing, to a possible 20-30 ft in the best conditions, full sun and well-drained soil with good protection from weather extremes. Tolerates both droughty and moist conditions. Frost hardy into the teens F, mid USDA zone 8, resprouting should the weather be less hospitable.  
\$12

Acer pentaphyllum  
Deciduous and rare Chinese maple, with deeply cut, 5-lobed leaves - very un-maple-like and very graceful and charming, leafing out late in spring and showing off in autumn with bright colors. This delicate tree, nearly extinct in the wild, grows slowly, reaching perhaps 15 ft over a long time. A lovely addition to a garden of any size in sun to part shade and well-drained soil. Requires regular summer moisture. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.  
\$14

Adiantum 'Golden Michael'  
Lovely maidenhair fern, a form introduced by Lance Reiner with lacy foliage tinged with gold over a gentle green, both colors standing out against the black stems. To only 6” tall, spreading slowly by underground rhizomes to form a clump up to 3 ft across. Light shade with plentiful moisture is best and encourages faster growth. Evergreen to the mid teens F, mid USDA zone 8 and root hardy to at least –20F, USDA zone 5. Also does well in containers, indoors and out.  
\$14

Aeonium 'Cyclops'  
Reddish-bronze leaves with a green “eye” in the center are a standout on this large aeonium, to 4-5 ft tall and 3-4 ft wide. A cross between the darker A. ‘Zwartkop’ and the more wavy leaved A. undulatum, these succulents are cold hardy to 25F, USDA zone 9b, so best in pots or a very! protected area. Well-drained soil in sun or shade with little water for plants in the ground, a bit more in containers.  
\$11

Aeonium 'Embarcadero Red'  
A Cistus introduction. Another seedling of unknown parentage -- like so many of our friends -- this compact grower, to 12-18" tall, covers itself with 3-4" rosettes of a warm, orange-red edged green. Likes winter dampness and a bit of dormancy in the summer where temperatures are hot. Quick growing, so makes a good container spiller, specimen, or edge planting where temperatures to not fall below 25F, USDA zone 9b. Otherwise a fine container plant.  
\$11
Aeonium 'Salad Bowl'
What appears to be an aeonium undulatum canariense hybrid, the 8-10" appetizingly-green rosettes appear on stems to a couple of feet in height, offsetting quickly to form a small succulent tree. This Canary Island native is at home in coastal California or Oregon but inland, where temps fall below the mid-20s, treat as a container specimen. A cool grower, its dormant period is summer, it maintains active growth in winter so maintain moisture and place in a bright position then. USDA zone 9b.

$9

Aeonium 'Strybing Red'
Another sedum relative, this with 4" rosettes of slightly toothed leaves that turn deep red in winter or in bright light. Forms clumps to 18" wide. Where temperatures don't drop below 25F and plants can be protected from freezing, these are fine in the garden. Otherwise best in pots that winter indoors or in a very! protected garden area. Well-drained soil in sun or shade with little water for plants in the ground, a bit more in containers. Frost hardy to 25F, mid USDA zone 9.

$11

Aeonium domesticum 'Variegatum'
Compact evergreen succulent with loosely held rosettes on short stems, the succulent green leaves variegated in creamy white to yellow. Bright yellow flowers appear in summer. To only 12" tall. Prefers well-drained and lean soil and, during the winter growing season, bright light and regular water. In summer, keep cool and shaded with occasional careful water. Frost hardy in USDA zone 9b; protect below 30F. Cheerful container plant.

$9

Aeonium haworthii
Open rosettes, to 3-4" wide, of bluish green leaves with red edges top this multi-branched shrub from the Canary Islands. To up to 2 ft tall and wide, with late spring flowers of pale yellow to white that rise above the foliage. Full sun to light shade on the coast or light to full shade inland. Prefers well-drained soil and little to no summer water. Frost hardy to 20F, USDA zone 9 so, where winter temperatures are colder, best in a pot with winter protection.

$11

Aesculus californica - Oregon collection
california buckeye
Large deciduous shrub to small tree, typically multi-stemmed, native to dry slopes in California and southwestern Oregon. Compound leaves have 5 leaflets, dark green and finely toothed. Hummingbirds love the cylindrical panicles of sweet-scented, creamy white flowers, pink tinged in early summer. The fig-shaped fruits that follow open to a stunning, shiny chestnut...of the non-edible sort. Accepts summer moisture and tolerates heat and summer drought, often beginning to drop leaves in mid summer. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$14

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Agave 'Green Goblet'

green goblet hardy century plant

Also known as *A. salmiana far. verox* 'Green Goblet', this form, selected in the high Sierra Madre Orientale of eastern Mexico by Carl Schoenfeld and Wade Rosch, develops 4-5 ft rosettes of fleshy, moss-green leaves beautifully patterned and indented. From pine/oak woodland, it is adaptable to moist soil and even partial shade where autumn leaves won't collect in the rosettes. Thus far has frost been hardy to close to 0F, USDA zone 7. Note: sun and good drainage become more important the colder the climate.

$16

Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

Agave 'Kissho Kan'
lucky crown century plant

Stunning blue-gray leaves edged in white make this symmetrical rosette an outstanding addition to any collection. Yellow leaf spines darken to reddish brown adding distinction. To 15” tall x 18” wide and slowly offsetting. Needs light, and well-drained soil. Frost hardy to 20F, USDA zone 9. Best in container protected from winter wet where temperatures drop into the teens F or sit in the low 20s.

$15

Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

Agave 'Ruth Bancroft'
shark skin agave

Found in the hills near Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico, where 3 century plants converge (perhaps collide). This selection, from the California garden of Ruth Bancroft, has an exquisitely fine, platinum-colored sheen with no white markings, clearly showing its *A. victoria-reginae* and *A. scabra* parentage. To 2-3 ft tall x 3-4 ft wide. For bright sun and well-drained soil with little summer irrigation necessary. Great in containers. Cold hardy to 10F or so, USDA zone 8. Also known as *A. ‘Sharkskin’* for its leaf color and texture.

$18

Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

Agave 'Silver Surfer'
silver surfer hardy century plant

From a 1992 seed collection (YD 45-83) introduced by Yucca Do Nursery from the mountains above Palmillo, Tamaulipas, Mexico. Probably a hybrid of *A. scabra x A. americana ssp. protoamericana*, this clone, selected by fellow agave geek Tony Avent, exhibits an almost bead-like, silvery cast on deep blue leaves. Sweet! Sun and good drainage, of course. Expect at least 4 x 5 ft in climates not falling below 15F though has recovered quickly from below 10F, upper USDA zone 7.

$14

Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

Agave americana 'Opal'
opal century plant

A variegated agave from the larger group often just called Marginata’ or ‘Variegata,’ this one most pleasingly variegated in creamy yellow on upright, blue-green foliage with sharp spines. To 4-5 ft tall and wide. Shared with us by plantsman Tony Avent as having been hardy in coastal Virginia. Though it has been nuked in North Carolina below 10F with winter moisture, it does show promise as being one of the tougher of the americana group as a very similar plant has grown unharmed in Portland gardens for a number of years. We expect at least 15F, mid USDA zone 8, and possibly lower if winter dry. In any zone a striking pot or container plant. Sun, well-drained soil, and little summer water.

$14

Agavaceae/Asparagaceae
Agave americana 'Variegata'  variegated american century plant
Striking plant with beautifully curved blue leaves, well toothed and edged in rich cream. An imposing garden icon, reaching to 3-4 ft tall and wide, where winter temperatures seldom dive below 20F, USDA zone 9, for any length of time. A plant in Brookings, OR measures 10 x 10 ft. after 10 years. Has survived 8F, zone 7b, with overhead protection for winter dryness.
$11  Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

Agave ferdinandi-regis  king ferdinand agave
This little century plant comes from one of the more exciting habitats in agaveland, a series of mountains northeast of Saltillo in northwestern Mexico where the beautiful A. victoriae-reginae crosses with both A. scabra and A. lechugilla. The form of this plant is particularly upright, its leaves marked white with a pinkish gray cast and topped with black spines. Reaching 12-18" and offsetting freely, it is hardy to between 0 and 10F, USDA zone 7, with excellent drainage. Full sun. Excellent pot specimen.
$16  Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

Agave flexispina
Rare in cultivation this agave comes from oak and grasslands of northern Sonora in Mexico. Up to 18” tall with silvery gray leaves, offsetting occasionally after becoming settled. Very drought tolerant but responds amicably to summer water if soil is very well-drained. Frost hardy in upper USDA zone 7 with reports surviving 0F unharmed. Think drainage!
$16  Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

Agave gentryi 'Jaws'  hardy century plant
From an intriguing group in an intriguing and floristically rich part of the world, northeastern Mexico's Sierra La Peña, where three agaves inhabit the upper slopes from 8-9,000 ft, this one now accepted as the species A. gentryi. This selection, made by the Yucca Do boys in the early 1990s, has beautiful gray-green rosettes of sharply pointed leaves with deeply indented leaf margins, double, reddish teeth, and embossed impressions of the older leaves on emerging new growth. Has been very slow to offset. To about 24-36" tall, this selection, found amid pines and oaks in light shade on rubbly limestone outcrops, accepts a myriad of garden conditions but resents wet leaves sitting in the crown. So far, unharmed in upper USDA zone 7 winters.
$16  Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

Agave macroculmis YD 129  bigtooth agave
From several places in northeastern Mexico, this Yucca Do Nursery collection from oak, pine, and douglas fir forests at 7000 ft in mountain ranges north of Potosi, forms colonies of 4 ft rosettes tinted a lovely blue-gray and showing the leaf scars to beautiful effect as each new leaf emerges. The leaf margins are undulating and decorated with dark spines. Quite happy with abundant garden moisture with good drainage and air circulation. So far these have proven frost hardy to the low teens F, low to mid USDA zone 8. A fine pot specimen. Also found as A. atrovirens.
$15  Agavaceae/Asparagaceae

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**Agave murpheyi**

Murphey's agave

Sweet little agave, from mid elevation deserts of central Arizona into Sonora, often found associated with Native American sites. To 18", or 2 feet at most, with narrow, upright leaves, slightly recurved and steel to powder blue. Offsetting fairly quickly. The eventual flowers also produce tiny bulbils -- as the song goes -- which might explain its being spread by people in the early days. Because of its drier habitats we keep ours in pots with very well drained soil, or only in the most exposed areas of our garden and growing in true grit. Full sun. Again, dry conditions with an occasional splash of summer water. Cold hardy into upper USDA zone 7 if dry.

**$16**

**Agave neomexicana**

Mescal

A tough-as-nails species, closely related to *A. parryi* but with narrower, deep blue leaves held upright and out and adorned with gray marginal spines and long, terminal brownish red spines. Slow growing to an eventual 1-2 ft tall x 2-3 ft wide, offsetting to form colonies. After 15 years or so, produces yellow flowers on a 12 ft stalk! Full sun and lean, well-drained soil with little, if any, summer water. This native of southeastern New Mexico is one of the hardiest species; tolerating temperatures to -20°F, USDA zone 5, with good drainage.

**$14**

**Agave ornithobroma**

Maguey pajarito

Wonderful, short-trunk forming species from subtropical western Mexico, these collections from Sinaloa at under 500 ft elevation -- did we say warm? Closely related to *A. geminiflora*, the 18" rosettes, with extremely narrow, flexible leaves of dark green, are beautifully framed by a gazillion curly white filifers or hairs. Quite happy with a fair amount of summer moisture; winter drought decreases chance of problems. Full sun to dappled shade, in a bright window, or your nearest lava outcrop. We have had this in our garden, hardy for the last few years with luck. Should be protected below the mid 20s F, so best for mildest parts of the world or as fabulously small-scale container plants. Frost hardy in USDA zone 9.

**$14**

**Agave ovatifolia - Sierra de Lampazos clone**

Whale's tongue agave

One of the most beautiful century plants, found in the Sierra de Lampazos in the early 80s by the late great plantsman, Lynn Lowrey and only named in 2004 by agave-ist Greg Starr. Growing in a limited range of pinion/juniper/oak country above 8000 ft, the chalky blue rosettes, exceedingly wide and beautifully toothed, can reach over 5 ft in width giving the appearance of a much more tropical species. Has proven to be one of the best performers where cold and wet is experienced in winter and has, thus far, proven hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, or even a bit lower. Sun to dappled shade; drainage is always a plus.

**$15**

**Agave parrasana**

Cabbage head agave

This Mexican species is most easily identified by its thick triangular leaves, beautifully marked blue-green in color, arranged in a striking rosette and edged with equally thick brown and white spines. Plants form low dense mounds, each rosette eventually measuring 2 ft x 2 ft and, in time, sending up 12 ft branched flower spikes of warm yellow blushed apricot. Best in mineral soil, sharp drainage, full sun. This represents a high elevation collection at over 8,500 ft that has thus far withstood between 0 and 10F, USDA zone 7, with overhead protection from excess winter moisture. Stunning pot plant or container specimen.

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Agave parryi var. huachucensis 'Huachuca Blue'

A Cistus introduction, bluer than its near relation. Our fabulous selection -- from 7000 ft in the Huachuca Mountains in southern Arizona and into northern Sonora -- exhibits particularly steel-blue leaves in the classic 20-24” artichoke shape, eventually offsetting and forming small colonies. Full sun in lean, well-drained soil with occasional summer water in dry climates. Though not the most frost hardy of the A. parryi clan, still takes 10F in stride, USDA zone 8, and lower if very soil is well drained. $14

Agave parviflora - Ruby, AZ

A jewel-like miniature agave from the dry grasslands of southern Arizona and adjacent Sonora, a habitat that includes Dasylirion wheeleri and the famed Opuntia violacea v. santa rita, a rich area where we have selected forms of heucheras, Zauschneria arizonica, and numerous desert ferns. Rosettes are only 6-8” with narrow leaves, deep green marked white, and curled filifers that make it an intriguing plant for container or garden. The flowering stalks are tall and narrow; the unusual, creamy flowers are tinted red, making hummingbirds very happy. Provide excellent drainage in bright light to only the lightest of shade for best form. The habitat has dry winters and thunderstorm laden summers so these plants are best well watered in summer and kept dry in winter, though plants in our Portland garden have been quite happy for some years in a stone wall with no cover. Frost hardy from 0 to 10F, USDA zone 7; colder if kept winter dry. $16

Agave schidigera 'Shira ito no Ohi'

The cultivar name (NOT translated as "Honey, I shrunk the kids") refers to the silky threads or filifers that decorate these rosette-forming agaves. They are solitary plants, to 18” tall and wide, with the dark green leaves, strikingly variegated with creamy margins, the quite symmetric filifers adding to the show. The species, from the high country of Mexico's Durango State, shows a decent tolerance for moisture and frost in USDA zone 8. But temperatures below 20F, bottom of USDA zone 9, can mark the beautiful variegations so we recommend a moveable container. $14

Agave schottii

Smallish agave, from the eastern Whetstone mountains of southern Arizona, with narrow, upright, green leaves forming rosettes to 18” or so in large colonies. Leaves have a sharp, spiny tip -- easily inserted into the inattentive shin -- and filifers along the leaf margins but no marginal spines. Altogether a yucca-like agave. After 20 years or so, plants produce yellow, tubular flowers on 9 ft stems, dying after seeds set but leaving behind many pups. Native to southern Arizona and New Mexico southward into Mexico, these thrive in hot, dry places where soil is poor and summer water infrequent. Frost hardy in upper USDA zone 7 with good drainage. $19

Agave toumeyana - Fish Creek Hill, AZ

Representing old seed collections from C&J Nursery, these colonizing plants, from higher elevations of Arizona, quickly offset forming clumps of 5-6” rosettes of narrow, sharp-tipped leaves edged and streaked white and dressed with filifers. Where they are provided excellent drainage, plants have proven frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, but might be protected at 10 to 15F, zone 8, just in case. A fine pot plant. $14

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**Agave triangularis**

Unusual agave, with 18-14" long, olive-green leaves, narrow and indeed, triangular (dagger-shaped), with a paler mid section. Small spines on the leaf margins, and an intimidating, 1" terminal spine, these stiff leaves radiating from the central rosette in an open, starburst pattern. Not known for blooming. Found in Mexico in both Puebla and Oaxaca, with little rainfall or winter frost, these are best in sun to part shade and good drainage with little summer water once established. A wonderful garden plant -- where spines won't hurt wandering friends -- where temperatures don't drop below 25F, mid USDA zone 9.

$15

**Agave utahensis** ssp. *kaibabensis* SBHMPS 6747

From the Tuweep area on cliffs and mountaintops on the northern edge of the Grand Canyon abyss amid junipers and beautiful red rocks ... and far away from restaurants that serve alcohol, our collection of a particularly wide and long leaf form of the highly variable Utah agaves, producing nearly 18" rosettes of a cheery blue-green with dark, evenly set spines. I believe this colony to be under the form kaibabensis. These plants offset rather sparsely to make attractive clumps rather than colonies. After 10 years or so, flowers spikes rise to nearly 10 ft. Though one of the most frost hardy agaves, they do like their drainage, so in areas of high moisture, best placed in stone walls or under cover. Cold hardy to about -20F, USDA zone 5. Good container plant anywhere.

$16

**Agave victoriae-reginae** 'Porcupine'

This selection from Yucca Do Nursery has indeed white-tipped, porcupine quill-like leaves with gentle patterning on a symmetric plant (think of the shape of an artichoke), making it a more dazzling creature than the typical *Agave victoriae-reginae*. Slow growing but worth the wait. Bright light, good drainage, and, preferably, protection from winter wet. Frost hardy to below 10 to 15F, USDA zone 8, depending on moisture.

$15

**Agave victoriae-reginae** var. *compacta*

A beautiful, compact form of an ever-popular species, each olive-green rosette to only 6" or less in width, made up of blunt, black-spined leaves marked with wide, silvery white striations. Begins to offset and form clumps in a year or so in bright light with good drainage. One of the hardier species, originally from near Saltillo in northern Mexico, it has been rated frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, but has survived in dry winter places such as Denver to well below 0F, zone 7. If this makes you nervous, it makes a beautiful potted specimen.

$15

**Agave weberi** 'Arizona Star'

A most fortunate find at Mountain States Nursery of this round, blue-green century plant, to 2 ft, with leaves that are soft for the genus and, in this clone, streaked and edged creamy yellow. Very easy with bright light, good drainage, and occasional summer water. Best kept dry in winter. Vigorous and frost hardy to 15F or so, mid USDA zone 8. Otherwise, a fabulous container plant.

$18

*Agavaceae/Asparagaceae*

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### Agave x leopoldii

Compact and architectural century plant, a hybrid cross of *A. filifera* and *A. schidigera* brought to us by Yucca Do Nursery, the narrow, slightly curved leaves with a gray-blue-going-green sheen complete with a few stripes and polka dots. Offsets eventually. A most attractive, small container plant, rarely growing more than 18” x 24”, and a great addition to the dry or rock garden in a sunny site with gritty soil. Frost hardy in USDA zone 8b, to 15F or so and as low as 10F if protected from overhead moisture.

![Price]

$16

### Aloe 'Christmas Carol'

Another lovely recent aloe hybrid. This small plant features rosettes under 5" in width and retains various colors of blue, pink, and peach throughout the year, edged as its name might imply, a deep orange-red. Orange flowers predominately in late winter and spring, if you keep it warm. Used as an indoor plant or in outdoor container anywhere below zone 9b-and-a-half. The brighter the light, the more radiant. Prefers drier conditions in winter. Pups quickly.

![Price]

$12

### Aloe 'Delta Lights'

This aloe variegata cross produces 8" rosettes of wide herringboned patterned leaves of light green and cream. Quickly offsets to form large specimen, to 18" or more. Orange-red flowers produced primarily in late winter or spring. Fine indoor on container plant. Keep reasonably dry in winter, Zone 9b or above.

![Price]

$11

### Aloe 'Johnson's Hybrid'

This so-called "grass aloe" has long arched leaves, still succulent but less so than its close relatives. The bright green, white-spotted foliage arches on stems to about 10" tall and quickly spreads, forming clumps of 4-6 stems, eventually spreading to 2' wide when happy. Flowers are bright, bright, orange with green tips and stand to 18" tall above the foliage. This is a vigorous and long blooming plant. Drought tolerant requiring little summer water. These are tough and frost hardy to 20F, perhaps a bit below, USDA zone 9. An excellent pot plant requiring winter protection where temperatures hover below freezing or drop into the teens.

![Price]

$11

### Aloe 'Moondance'

A new aloe hybrid that is virtually pure white with tiny dot-matrix-like markings all along its leaves. Slow-growing, but clumping and pupping easily. This is a handsome aloe to pair with others in a pot, especially with more typically green and blue-green hybrids. Move indoors in winter unless you live in zone 9b or above. Orange-red flowers open atop slender stalks in warm conditions. Prefers very good light, but no direct sun.

![Price]

$11

### Aloe 'Quicksilver'

Enormously pleasing small aloe with very light green, almost white, serrated leaves and dark green spotting. Several spikes of orange-red blooms emerge from the center in late spring and possibly again in fall, if you're nice. Excellent in containers or as a kitchen window specimen. Part sun with occasional watering. Not frost tolerant.

![Price]

$12
Aloe aristata  
Haworthia-like creature from high elevations of South Africa forming rosettes to 5-6” with each leaf spiked and mottled with cream zigzag markings. Slowly offsets, clumping to form wonderful architectural patterns. Dappled to full sun, decent drainage, and summer water where dry. Probably the most cold hardy, non grass-like Aloe, accepting at least 10F, USDA zone 8, and below into upper zone 7 when planted in the ground. Possibly even lower if kept dry in winter.  
$14

Aloe Donnie™  
Gorgeous aloe, a Kelly Griffin hybrid and Proven Winners selection, with rosettes of succulent leaves edged in red and spotted in white, eventually reaching 2-4” tall and wide. Best in well drained soil in full to part sun. Frost hardy only to 25F, mid USDA zone 9, so best kept in containers to be moved indoors in winter. Both heat and drought tolerant in the ground. Let potted plants dry a bit before watering. A nice addition to the succulent collection outdoors or in.  
$12

Aloe Jimmy™  
Gorgeous aloe hybrid, a Kelly Griffin and Proven Winners selection with rosettes of succulent leaves, white edged with with lots of small white spots, eventually reaching 2-4” tall and wide. Best in well drained soil in full to part sun. Both heat and drought tolerant in the ground. Frost hardy only to 25F, mid USDA zone 9, so best kept in containers to be moved indoors in winter. Potted plants should dry a bit before watering. A nice addition to the succulent collection outdoors or in.  
$12

Aloe striatula  
Multi-trunked shrub from South Africa, the hardiest of the shrubby aloes. To over 3 ft tall and possibly up to 6 ft wide with dark green leaves, long, narrow, and pointed, and yellow flowers in spring and summer continuing into fall. Plant in sun where drainage is good. Top hardy to 18 F, upper USDA zone 8; has resprouted from 0F, zone 7, or below with mulch, good drainage, and protection from winter moisture.  
$12

Alstroemeria psittacina 'Variegata'  
A plant with many common names including Peruvian parrot lily, for it's red flowers tipped in green and white, and lily-of-the-Incas, referring to its origins in South America. This Japanese selection has variegated foliage, grayish green with irregular white edges, on stems to 12-18" tall that form slowly widening clumps (eventually enough to share...). Stems emerge in early autumn, flowering in spring and enjoying a period of dormancy in summer. Best in sun to part shade with regular summer water. Frost hardy to at least the bottom of USDA zone 7 with mulch.  
$9
Amaryllis belladonna

A choice and deliciously fragrant flowering bulb to perfume the late summer garden with abundant light to
dark pink trumpets on dark stems, to 18-24” tall -- “naked” since the strappy leaves that appeared in winter
have usually died back during the dry summer. Definitely a beautiful lady. Best in a Mediterranean climate
with summer heat, good drainage, and very little summer water. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, and into
zone 7 with a bit of mulch.

$12

Amorphophallus konjac

This arum from southeast Asia is widely cultivated for its edible tuber but we grow it for the huge tropical
looking leaves and "snakeskin" stem. In spring, long before the leaves appear, a huge and astonishing flower
dazzles with a 2 ft, purple spadix standing above the purple-black spathe. (The "perfume", designed to attract
flies for pollination, can be mitigated by simply rinsing the flower.) Plant stems and leaves develop after a
well-deserved rest and can reach 6 ft tall in part sun to shade with regular summer water. Cold hardy to USDA
zone 6.

$12

Ananthesle lessoniana

Cool evergreen Australian grass that turns a glowing orange in the winter, fading to a orangish-spring green in
summer. Height and width to 3 ft. Full to half sun with regular water inland and occasional water near the
coast. This grass is all about texture and highlighting the garden with warm earthy tones. Think backlit by the
sun or spilling out near a sidewalk edge. Deer and salt spray tolerant. Cold hardy to 5 degrees F, mid USDA
zone 7.

$12

Arctostaphylos aff. hispidula SBH 9274.3

These oddly distributed mounding shrubs from the Klamath River near the town of Orleans are a bit of a
mystery. Planted or wild we don't know. Clearly an affinity to Arctostaphylos hispidula or an A. stanfordiana
hybrid. 4 ft in height by 6ft in width. Glossy small leaves, late winter pale pink to white flowers, and brick
colored fruit and bark. Nice and very easy in the garden. A bit more tolerant of summer garden water than
most. Full sun to dappled shade. Undoubtedly hardy to USDA zone 7.

$14

Arctostaphylos columbiana x nevadensis 'Lolo Jade'

A Cistus Introduction: This mounding/spreading hybrid from the west slopes of Mt. Hood and manzanita-rich
Lolo Pass grows to about 8-10" inches in height and 5-6 feet in time and produces nicely rounded, overlapping
leaves of blue-green contrasting well with bright orange stems. The pale pink flowers can be produced as early
as late autumn but more often in winter to early spring. Excellent in containers, small scale bank cover. Full
sun to partial shade. Prefers soil low in organic matter. More tolerant of limited summer water than most.
Zone 6

$14
Arctostaphylos glandulosa 'Gold Bear'
A Cistus Introduction: From the upper reaches of the Hellsgate area in Southern Oregon's Rogue River Canyon, a rather unique area where dense stands of A. glandulosa seem influenced by A. nevadensis. This form, though only 18” or so in height, can spread to 20 or more feet rather quickly. The deep green leaves are enhanced by small golden brown hairs, giving the whole plant a striking appearance, especially when white flowers appear in winter and early spring. We have seen flowers on this plant as early as November and as late as March. This could be a particularly useful medium-scale groundcover anywhere in the dry-summer west. Most soils with decent drainage, dryish at least in the summer. Zone 7 possibly 6. This from an area where we have seen an abundance of bears browsing on the chocolate colored fruit in autumn and winter!

$15

Arctostaphylos glandulosa x nevadensis SBH 9172
bluish light pink stems, 6” x 4 ft

$15

Arctostaphylos hispidula SBH 9151
From an intriguing population near Orleans, California on the Klamath River, growing on bits and pieces of serpentine stone. These mounding plants, from 4-6 ft or a bit more to 8 ft in very old specimens, have a very dense habit, lustrous, green leaves to only about 1/2” and white-aging-pale-pink flowers with characteristics of both A. hispidula and A. stanfordiana. Either way, these should be wonderful shrubs for the dry garden. Can be shorn to maintain a smaller size or lifted to expose the pealing, orange-red bark. A bit more summer water tolerant than others as well. Sun to light shade in most soils. Likely frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, possibly colder.

$15

Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Green on Black' hooker's mazanita
A Cistus Introduction. This compact clone from the Huckleberry Hill area of California's Monterey County is another in a great series of this most useful garden shrub. To only 18” high and wide, with particularly round, shiny green foliage and abundant, small pink flowers in late winter. Tolerant of both sand and clay, these like a bit of summer drought but are not incredibly happy over 100 F in particularly hot inland places. Works well as an understory to a larger arctostaphylos or as a fine ground cover where the leaf form and the wiry blackish stem can be seen. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$15

Arctostaphylos hookeri SBH 7471
A Cistus introduction. Our selection from the Huckleberry Hill area near Carmel, California in a habitat of tiny, round-leaved, mat-like shubs, to only 4-6" tall, has, with a little loving, grown in excess of 18" with pointy leaves that become rounder with adult growth. The flowers are white to pearly pink in mid winter. A wonderful addition to the dry garden; also tolerates some summer water. Sun to dappled shade in most soils. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 8, and quite possibly zone 7.

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Arctostaphylos manzanita SBH 9274

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Arctostaphylos nevadensis (mostly) 'Shiny Happy'
A Cistus Introduction. Another from the manzanita rich mountains west of O'Brien, Oregon comes this low spreading, and most-graceful little groundcover. 4-5 inches in height by 10 feet or more in width, crawling or spilling with glee. The narrow green leaves are densely held on red stems, creating a fine texture and contrasting well with the nearly white flowers in winter and early spring. As A. glandulosa appears to be in its heritage, burls are set where roots occur, enabling it to be cut back with ease. Sun to partial shade, mineral soil. Zone 6
$14  Ericaceae

Arctostaphylos nevadensis x glandulosa SBH 9269
A Cistus Introduction: This groundcover with light green leaves, reddish stems and tinted new growth forms a wide dense mat to only 6 inches in height and 6+ feet wide. The rounded leaves contrast very nicely with the underlying red stems. White to pale pink flowers in winter and early spring. Excellent groundcover for mineral soil, full sun to partial shade. Also good in a container. USDA Zone 6.
$14  Ericaceae

Arctostaphylos nevadensis x glandulosa SBH 9276
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Arctostaphylos nummularia ssp. mendocinoensis SBH 9170a
From the pygmy forest plant community of California's Mendiceno coast, this probable hybrid between A. hookeri and A. uva-ursi forms a compact, rounded shrub to only about 4 ft tall with 1/4" green leaves on red stems and, in mid-winter, showy, light pink flowers produced en masse. This clone has been quite black-spot resistant under all conditions. Enjoys sun to dappled shade and tolerates dense clay and heavy winter rain but still prefers only very light summer water at most. Frost hardy to the bottom of zone 8, probably zone 7. Very good container plant.
$14  Ericaceae

Arctostaphylos pumila - UCSC
This sand dune collection from the central California coast by plantsman extraordinaire Brett Hall grows to only 3-4" in height, spreading, well, endlessly but probably not enough to cover the entire earth. Probably more like 3 feet. The narrow leaves of pewter grey are offset against orangey red stems, light pink flowers in winter to early spring. This is a really lovely selection. As a sand dune grower, it likes particularly good drainage and suffers a bit from inland heat or extreme cold. Alas, hardy to zone 8, the bottom of, and an excellent container plant or small scale groundcover.
$14  Ericaceae

Arctostaphylos viscida x manzanita 'Twin Peaks'
A Cistus Introduction: Another find in northern Lake County, CA, where just visible through both parents we found this lovely plant at 7 feet in height with very nice rounded form. Good orange brown bark and shiny green 1-2 inch leaves. Inflorescence is intermediate between both parents, upright and dark red at first and producing a pale pink flower in mid winter to early spring. Collected from a meadow edge with particularly poor drainage holds very good garden promise. Bright light to dappled shade. Careful with the summer water. Zone 7
$15  Ericaceae
**Arctostaphylos x mewukka SBH 9217**

This beautiful medium to large shrub, from a location that has not been widely reported in Shasta County, California, reaches 6-8 ft tall with pleasing, lavender-tinted, blue leaves, pale pink flowers, and a basal burl that provides new sprouts, should cutting back be required. This individual has been vigorous for us, not surprisingly, as it was collected lovingly between 6 ft drifts of snow. Best in sun to dappled shade, in mineral soil that doesn't get too hot, especially if there is moisture present. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6.

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**Ericaceae**

**Argyrocytisus battandieri**

The Moroccan pineapple broom is a shocker in bloom. You’ll be blown away by the fruity pineapple fragrance pouring out of the bright yellow Laburnum-like flowers. The silvery, fuzzy, evergreen foliage is very attractive as well as aromatic. A large shrub or small tree, to 10-15 ft if allowed. Can be multi-trunked. For full sun and good drainage with water to establish. Drought tolerant thereafter. Frost hardy to USDA zone 8.

$16

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**Fabaceae**

**Arisaema consanguineum** - silvered centered

Shared with us some years ago by our friends the O’Byrnes, these graceful jack-in-the-pulpits rise to nearly 3 ft in late spring with narrow graceful leaflets centered indeed silver. Flowers are deep cinnamon. Adds to its beauty by clumping quickly. Dappled shade is best with consistent summer moisture and, of course, decent drainage. A wonderful addition to the woodland garden or container. Frost hardy in the ground to 0F, USDA zone 7 or below.

$15

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**Arisaema taiwanense**

Extremely rare in commerce but we have a good supply from seeds collected by intrepid friends. This cobra lily has lizard-mottled stems that burst out of the woodland ground in April followed by dazzling, hooded, dark purple to nearly black flowers, and mind-boggling, deeply cut, acid-flashback leaves. Stunning at 30-36" tall. For shade to dappled shade in rich soil with average of summer water. Frost hardy in the ground in upper USDA zone 6, possibly lower.

$22

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**Araceae**

**Aristotelia ’Abigail Gordon’**

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**Armeria maritima ’Rubrifolia’**

Sea pinks have traveled the world enough to be thought of as native on coastal areas of both European and Western North America. This selection has particularly burgundy leaves to only 8-10" and a tightly mounding habit that is adorned by a long series of saturated purple-pink flowers. Prefers year round moisture with good drainage and bright light. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, or below. Great for rock gardens and the front of perennial borders.

$8

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**Plumbaginaceae**

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**Asarum caudatum**  
heart-leaved ginger

One of our best native groundcovers for the dry woodland with 4-6" leaves on spreading plants to 1 ft tall or so forming clumps to 6 ft wide. Spring flowers are maroon, hidden under the leaves but interesting enough to bend and stoop for. Happy in light or deep shade and tolerant of summer drought but accepting of summer water as well. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$12  

**Aristolochiaceae**

**Aspidistra 'Spek-tacular'**

Shared with us by plantsman, Linda Guy, this wonderful cast iron plant, growing to over 3 ft tall with narrow dark green leaves, has way spotted leaves held upright, almost glowing with the creamy speckles. Clumps to about 4 ft wide in a reasonable time. Able to withstand dark shade to dappled light but bleaches in too much sun. Prefers damp well drained soil. Excellent container. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$22

**Asparagaceae**

**Aspidistra caespitosa 'Jade Ribbons'**  
cast iron plant

Shared with us years ago by Barry Yinger, this small, cast iron plant produces leaves, to only about 18" in height, in dense clusters of deep green with a satiny blue finish. Intriguingly beautiful for gardens or containers in medium shade to the deepest, darkest recesses of the garden. Fairly fast growing in the southeast due to hot summer nights; on the West Coast, they are slower but worthwhile. Regular summer water in dryer climates to push them along a bit, though they can go without for long periods. Undamaged at 10 to 12F, USDA zone 8, if out of wind; can recover from 0F, zone 7.

$18

**Asparagaceae**

**Aspidistra elatior 'Asahi'**  
striped cast iron plant

A gorgeous selection of a cast iron plant. Though this isn't the "biggest aspidistra in the world," it reaches about 1/2 to 2/3 the size of typical at about 18" to 25" tall with 6" wide leaves brushed cream especially towards the tips. A stunning garden or container plant that can thrive in the deepest of shade. Best if kept out of direct sunlight especially in hot climates. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8; upper zone 7 with protection. Protect from slugs and snails.

$18

**Asparagaceae**

**Aspidistra elatior 'Chicory Asahi'**

Akin to a new and improved Aspidistra elatior 'Asahi', this plant, shared with us by Ted Stephens of Nurseries Carolinianus, has a very white center variegation, broader than 'Asahi', covering most of the leaf except for a distinct green band on the leaf edge. Gorgeous in the shade garden. Like its near relative, expected to reach 3 ft tall with leaves to 6" wide. Beautiful and slow, though nearly as vigorous as 'Asahi'. Best in good soil with regular summer water to establish and at least occasional water thereafter. Mulch helps keep slugs and snails away. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$22

**Asparagaceae**

**Aspidistra elatior 'Gold Strike'**  
cast iron plant

Tall and vigorous aspidistra, reaching 3' or more, with deep green glossy leaves, rather narrow, with a reliable light green-to-gold stripe through each leaf. Substantial clump in a few seasons, indeed striking for any place with deep shade to dappled sun (avoiding afternoon sun). Drought tolerant, though much faster growing with regular summer water. Frost hardy to USDA zone 7.

$16

**Asparagaceae**

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Aspidistra elatior 'Seiun' ['Living Cloud']

Cast iron plant

Small and hard-to-find aspidistra, the leaves only 2" wide by 12" tall and heavily speckled with yellow spots on both sides, forming a cheerful, multi-stemmed, clumping perennial for the woodland garden in bright shade to the darkest part of the garden. Lovers of rich soil and even moisture, they are not supposed to be attractive to deer. Evergreen in upper USDA zone 8; root hardy to 10F, the bottom of zone 8; and a bright, sturdy houseplant where temperatures drop into zone 7.

$18

Asparagaceae

Aspidistra elatior 'Variegata'

Cast iron plant

The solution to your shadiest spot: a cast iron plant with lovely white stripes on dark green leaves, to 2+ ft tall. Hardy outdoors in light to deep shade with normal summer water, they prefer good drainage. Regular summer water for best appearance, though tolerant of long dry periods. Clumping plants, they are somewhat slow growing, doubling their size in a few years. Also fab in a container. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$18

Asparagaceae

Aspidistra longiloba

Cast iron plant

An unusual cast iron plant, slowly spreading to make 4 ft wide clumps in a reasonable amount of time, with shiny spring-green leaves of only about 6" long, but pleasingly rounded at the base making them nearly oval. Easy in cultivation, for addition to containers or repeating in the shade garden. A layer of mulch over existing soil helps their little rhizomes spread a bit more quickly. Provide even summer moisture for more rapid growth, especially along the West Coast. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8; zone 7 with reliable mulch and protection.

$18

Asparagaceae

Aspidistra lurida 'Echi Ma Ji'

Gifted us from plantsman extraordinair Lance Reiner, this clumper produces leaves to about 3 ft in length but narrow and arching with subtly beautiful cream center variegation. Rather slow but with a prominent place in the shade garden or as a specimen container plant. Zone 8

$16

Asparagaceae

Aspidistra minutiflora

Cast iron plant

One of the more intriguing of the cast iron plants, a genus on which we have become rather fixated, this with very narrow leaves, to 30” tall and only 1/2 to 1” wide, of deep green with a bit of silky blue overlay. Creates graceful clumps reasonably quickly in the woodland garden or in container where the nearly black stem sheaths can be easily observed for hours on end … or at least a second or two. Enjoys ample summer moisture, though, as with other aspidistras, seems to accept being nearly moisture free in dark, cave-like spaces. A perfect addition under shrubs where other plants are not likely to thrive, or in dark entry gardens for instance. Frost hardy to the bottom of USDA zone 8. Has also been offered as Aspidistra linearifolia.

$16

Asparagaceae

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Aspidistra minutiflora 'Spangled Ribbons'  
spangled cast iron plant

Introduced by Don Jacob this appears very much like A. caespitosa 'Jade Ribbons' with 18" leaves, about 1" wide, tinted blue, and held very upright, but these have endearing yellow polka dots throughout. Slow growing like all cast iron plants, but growth can be hastened with fertile soil and extra summer moisture, especially where nights are cool. Like the others, capable of growing in very dark rooms (they like to hang out in bars) and of course the shadiest nooks in the garden. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8; zone 7 with protection.

$16  

Aspidistra retusa 'Nanjing Green'  
nanjing cast iron plant

Smallish aspidistra with medium green, 3" wide leaves distinguished by prominent veins and forming clumps to 2 ft tall and wide. Brought back from the Nanjing Botanic Garden in the 1990s and shared with us by Tony Avent of Plant Delights Nursery, this handsome and unusual cast iron plant does best in part to full shade with summer water. Evergreen and undamaged to 5F, USDA zone 7b, and expected to be root hardy below that.

$16  

Aspidistra yingjiangensis 'Singapore Sling'  
cast iron plant

This lovely creature, found in a market in Singapore (we believe) both by Barry Yinger and Hayes Jackson, grows to 3 ft or more with only 1-2" wide leaves of deep green, strikingly polka dotted cream yellow. Very spiffy even in deepest darkest shade. Summer water to establish and regularly thereafter for fastest growth though tolerates dry shade as well. As many others, this one is slow growing and we are happy to finally have enough to share. Despite its origins has been frost hardy in the garden at least into USDA zone 8. Also makes a lovely container specimen for medium to low light.

$16  

Astelia nivicola 'Red Gem'  
red sword sedge

Our favorite A. nivicola collection, New Zealand natives, forming clumps to 2 ft wide by roughly 18" tall with numerous leaves all coated with a soft silver fur and turning deep red, almost burgundy, with light and frost in winter. Very striking! This has been one of the toughest creatures, having not had frost damage even in our 14F, arctic extravaganza in 1996. Also an amazing container plant where burgundy tones in rosette-forming plants are hard to come by. Prefers even summer moisture in bright light for best color, though accepting of shade. Tolerant of frost to 10F, USDA zone 8, with reports of near 0F out of the wind.

$16  

Aucuba japonica 'Alabai'  

A Cistus introduction. This selection from an old north Portland watering hole of the same name offers very large leaves of 6 inches or more of dark green adorned with creamy yellow polka dots, seeming to swirl before ones eyes a wonderful echo of many a late night patron leaving the premises. To 6 feet or more adding bold texture to a shady garden spot. This plant is male with small purple flowers adding interest in late winter. Drought tolerant though summer water speeds growth. Zone 7, if not 6.

$12  

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**Aucuba japonica 'Clear Picture'**

Classic evergreen shrub to brighten the deepest shade, this one with clear, yellow variegations on dark green leaves. To 4 ft tall x 3 ft wide, dense and upright with a rounded shape. Easy, thriving in most situations of dappled shade to shade in rich, well-drained soil. Tolerant of some drought once established though perhaps more luscious with summer water. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$15

**Garryaceae**

**Aucuba japonica 'Katoaba'**

large yellow center

$14

**Garryaceae**

**Aucuba japonica 'Lisa White'**

Given to us by Atlanta plantsman, Ozzie Johnson, and named for, well, Lisa, with 4-5” narrow, speckled leaves on a compact shrub, a great addition to a shady garden with very pale fruit from autumn through winter on this female plant. Evergreen. Hardy to USDA zone 7, if not 6. Shade to dappled sun. Extra summer water to push new growth in dry climates.

$14

**Garryaceae**

**Aucuba japonica 'Merced'**

A Cistus introduction. Classic and very handsome, evergreen shrub to brighten the deepest shade, this form, named at Cistus, having variegated foliage almost entirely gold and merely spreckled with green. Easy in the garden, thriving in most situations of dappled shade to shade with some summer water. Plants can reach 4 ft tall x 3 ft wide; a stunning presence in the shade garden. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$15

**Garryaceae**

**Aucuba japonica 'Overlook'**

A Cistus introduction. One of two sports found in the Overlook neighborhood in North Portland to 6 feet or more with particularly large, glossy green leaves, bordered cream. A vigorous and bold addition to the shady garden. Drought tolerant though extra summer moisture speeds growth. The male flowers are small and purple and add to the effect in late winter. Zone 7, possibly 6.

$14

**Garryaceae**

**Azara alpina HC 98012**

This Chilean collection from Washington's Dan Hinkley maintains smaller stature than others in the genus. To a shrubby 10-12' in height, with arching branches clothed in oblong, somewhat wavy evergreen leaves. Flowers in late winter light creamy yellow, somewhat tropical scented (whatever that means) followed by pale blue fruit. Took awhile for this one to grow on us, but now it's a fave. USDA zone 7. Partial shade. Give some summer moisture in dry places.

$14

**Salicaceae**

**Baumea rubiginosa 'Variegata'**

variegated striped rush

Spikes of upright, evergreen leaves -- to 2-3 ft tall with yellow stripes on deep green -- make a pointed statement for any water garden or irrigated locale. From New Zealand, they accept sun or shade in loose soil with plentiful summer water. Can be submerged with the crown above the water level. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$9

**Cyperaceae**
**Beesia deltphylla**

Very nice small, evergreen groundcover from China with shiny, heart-shaped leaves and spikes of white flowers in late summer. Lovely vein patterns add texture to the leathery foliage. Plants form clumps 18” wide x 1 ft tall in dappled shade to full shade. Tolerant of many soils but best planted in areas that are consistently moist and well-drained soil. Creates a good backdrop for other shade loving perennials. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6.

$14  
*Ranunculaceae*

**Begonia chitoensis**

Another hardy begonia to add to the garden. This one collected at high elevation in China. Rather tough, glossy leaves that remain evergreen unless a major frost should happen. Pink flowers in late summer through autumn. 16-18in tall. USDA zone 7. Zone 6 with mulch.

$9  
*Begoniaceae*

**Begonia dregei**

Intriguing caudex forming species from summer rainfall South Africa. Grows only to about 18” but quickly forms a caudex of up to 3” giving the appearance of a miniature baobab (*Adansonia digitata*). Makes us want to create a tiny national park. Ruffled leaves, under 1”, are pleasingly undulate and shaded in purples and grays. Small, white flowers complement its stature. Frost hardy to only upper 20s F, upper USDA zone 9, but fine for the protected garden or as a pot specimen. Faithful list perusers who wonder if this was previously listed as *B. richardsonii* are right to notice a name correction.

$12  
*Begoniaceae*

**Berberis darwinii** - good orange

*Berberidaceae*

**Bergeranthus jamesii** - cl 2

Ice plant relative from South Africa, to only about 2” tall in clumps to 5-6” wide with succulent, triangular leaves. In summer, bright yellow, daisy-like flowers cover the plant. Requires very good drainage in lean soil, sun in all but the very hottest climates, and an occasional watering in summer by hose or monsoon. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$8  
*Aizoaceae*

**Bletilla ochracea** 'Chinese Butterfly'

Wonderful ground orchid from a vigorous strain introduced by Linda Guy of Carolina Nurseries, with exotic flowers of five petals, in pale creamy yellow and a darker yellow lip sprinkled with purple -- 3-5 blossoms on stem to 20" tall amongst iris-like foliage. Morning sun or light, dappled shade. Frost hardy at least into the single digits, F., upper USDA zone 7.

$14  
*Orchidaceae*

**Boehmeria nipononivea** 'Nichirin'

A brightly variegated woodland perennial from Japan. This selection has irregular, white-bordered fuzzy leaves and grows about 2 feet tall and nearly as wide. A great accent for the shade to part shade garden. Average moisture, summer water where dry. Frost hardy to USDA zone 6.

$9  
*Urticaceae*

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Brahea sp. - super blue/silver

A clumping creature, to 10 ft tall, looking much like Brahea decumbens but with larger leaves and a more extended trunk. These are from a mid-elevation collection from central Mexico at the edges of thorn scrub where it meets oak country. Dappled shade to full sun and generous summer fertilizing with water to speed its slow growth. We know it makes a beautiful container specimen but don't yet know its potential frost hardiness. So we can only guess at 20F, the bottom of USDA zone 9.

$15

Buddleja 'Peter'

From friend and plantsman extraordinaire, Peter Podaras, this result of just a tiny piece of his breeding work, has resulted in a soft blue-gray leaf with warm yellow flowers on an evergreen shrub to only about 3-4' in height and width and a long flowering time. It has thriven in containers with plants such as Phlomis or even succulents. We trim ours once a year to maintain compactness. Remove dead flower heads to shape. A bit sensitive to heavy soil, so should be planted in sharp-draining mix in full sun. USDA zone 7.

$12

Buddleja colvilei

Considered one of the best of the buddlejas, this large shrub to small tree, grows quickly to 10-15 ft, with handsome, felted leaves and astonishing, terminal panicles of large, deep rose flowers blooming for several weeks in summer. Very lush and lovely. This species resents the severe pruning that keeps its cousins smaller, so provide lots of room for a large, gorgeous creature in full sun and well-drained soil with regular summer water and protection from wind. Evergreen in mild climates and frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8. Resprouts from the roots in zone 7.

$14

Buddleja stachyoides

from Africa via Pierre Ruten

$12

Buxus microphylla var. japonica 'Variegata' - dwarf form

dwarf variegated japanese boxwood

Well...kind of dwarf anyway. This compact, 6-8 ft evergreen, given to us several years ago by the late, great gardener Jane Platt, has a naturally pyramidal growth and pleasingly cream and green leaves with nary a reversion to date. Excellent and hardy as a container or hedge plant. And easily shorn if a more formal look is desired. Sun to dappled shade with regular summer water at least until well established. Frost hardy in low USDA zone 6, we hear, possibly colder.

$12

Buxus sempervirens 'Golden Swirl'

golden common box

A collection from a lone surviving shrub in the shade of an ancient pecan in a North Portland “garden”, this 8 ft boxwood has a tall, rather narrow habit, with upright branchlets and a pleasing creamy-gold variegation throughout the leaves. Drought tolerant and vigorous. You should have one. We would like to see it used as good garden furniture. Considering its “habitat” it must be very drought tolerant and, from the original plant’s appearance, able to withstand occasional pruning with chainsaws. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6, at least.

$14
**Buxus sempervirens 'Rosmarinifolia'**

Compact and fine textured, upright little evergreen shrub, slowly to 3-4 ft tall, with narrow, rosemary-like leaves of green dusted gray. In spring, unrosemary-like clusters of small but fragrant, creamy white flowers appear at the branch tips. Plants make very good, small scale, garden furniture or a slightly formal hedge in places where rosemary doesn't thrive. Enjoys full sun to medium shade, decent drainage, and summer water. Frost hardy to -12F, or so, upper zone 5. This plant is by various names but the above is the choice of the Royal Horticulture Society which we have followed.

$12

**Calandrinia grandiflora**

Quite beautiful Chilean perennial with succulent gray-green leaves and large, bright purple flowers that nod on the top of tall, sometimes 2.5' tall, stems above the low-growing foliage. Height 12-15" and 36" in width. Plant in full sun with well-drained, slightly acidic soil. Will tolerate a variety of soil types and conditions, including coastal areas. A great pollinator and bee attractor, it's excellent in rock gardens or as a mass planting where it is allowed to spread and form a small carpet. Drought tolerant. Frost hardy to USDA zone 8, but treated as a re-seeding annual in colder climates.

$7

**Callistemon rigidus**

Another of the spectacular, hardy bottlebrushes from Australia, this upright, stiff shrub, to 3-9 ft tall x 4-8 ft wide, has narrow evergreen leaves and 2" long spikes of deep red, "bottlebrush" flowers in summer. Gorgeous in bloom; a hummingbird heaven, indeed! Best in full sun and well-drained soil. Enjoys moderate summer water though tolerates short periods of drought once established. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$12

**Callistemon viridiflorus**

Small and compact evergreen bottlebrush, to 5 ft tall x 6 ft wide, this from cuttings of a specimen in Oregon's Willamette Valley. Arching branches carry small, glossy leaves and, in mid summer, soft, greenish yellow, "bottlebrush" flowers. Best in a hot, sunny position, well-drained with occasional summer water. Easily frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, and very likely into zone 7 in optimum conditions.

$12

**Camellia 'Night Rider'**

The "black" camellia has dark red, semi-double flowers that are darker on the undersides -- very dark and gorgeous in late winter, early spring. New foliage also has red overtones. An evergreen shrub, upright and somewhat compact to only 4-5 ft tall and wide, this is a must have plant for any garden in part shade with protection from the afternoon sun and rich soil with regular summer moisture. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7. (For those who love nomenclature, the parentage is a follows: a hybrid of C. x williamsii 'Ruby Bells' (= C. saluenensis x C. japonica 'Fuyajo') and C. japonica 'Kuro Tsubaki'.)

$18

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**Camellia 'Tama Peacock'**

One of eight seedlings from a jewel of the Camellia world, Camellia 'Tama-no-ura'. This cultivar, one of our favorites, features a small to medium flower with semi-double maroon washing to its white border, just shy of spectacular. A rapid grower with an open, weeping habit. Displays long-lasting, show-winning blooms in trays of shallow water in your home. Midseason to late bloomer. Zone 7.

$16  Theaceae

**Camellia lutchuensis**  
frAGRANT CAMELLIA

A special tea camellia, dainty in all its parts. The flowers are particularly wonderful; with the sweetest fragrance of any camellia, they are single and white emerging from pink buds as 1-1.5" flared blossoms with the faintest hints of pink. The evergreen leaves, too, are smaller than *C. japonica*, though still shiny dark green. Plants reach to 6 ft tall or a bit more x 3-4 ft wide in acid soil, protected from the hottest sun and provided regular summer water. Fully frost hardy to 18 to 20F, USDA zone 8b, protection should be provided when temperatures drop below 15 to 18F. A fine container plant.

$16  Theaceae

**Carex platyphylla 'Blue Satin'**

A wonderful introduction by Woodlanders Nursery and related to *Carex plantaginea*. Though frost hardy below USDA zone 5, above zone 7 it remains evergreen with iridescent blue-green leaves glowing in even the deepest of shade. A great contrast to yellow in the garden. Regular moisture, full shade to dappled sun. Cut back in early spring to renew growth.

$12  Cyperaceae

**Cautleya spicata**  
hIMALAYAN GINGER

A fabulous, hardy true ginger with slender, deep green leaves in clumps to about 3 ft tall x 2 ft wide and spikes of yellow, summer flowers surrounded by deep red bracts that continue after the flowers fade. Easy in the garden in part sun to shade with regular water for consistent moisture. Very tropical and frost hardy to at least 10F, USDA zone 8, with reports of success in zone 7. Mulch for extra winter protection.

$14  Zingiberaceae

**Ceanothus 'Autumnal Blue'**

Abundant flowers of a rich lavender-blue appear in late summer into autumn and intermittently all year on this award winning shrub. Fast growing to 8-10 ft tall and wide with an open and upright habit. Striking, shiny foliage is 2+" long, finely toothed, and softer than many of the genus. A handsome addition to the garden in full sun and well-drained soil. Evergreen into the upper teens F, upper USDA zone 8, and frost hardy into upper USDA zone 7.

$14  Rhamnaceae

**Ceanothus 'Tuxedo'**  
tUXEDO CALIFORNIA LILAC

A lovely sport from Ireland of *C. ‘Autumnal Blue'* with nearly black foliage and the deepest blue flowers, making it one of the most unique forms yet. Its parentage includes summer rainfall *C. americanus* so, though accepting of drought, it is tolerant of summer garden water. Evergreen (well, black), long-lived, and exciting. To 4-5 ft eventually. Sun is best for deepest color, but holds up well in medium shade. Very good hedging or container plant. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$14  Rhamnaceae
**Ceanothus caeruleus**

One of the deepest blue flowered…blue bushes. This collection, from the foothills of San Diego County in California, possesses shiny, rounded leaves to about 2" and eye-popping flowers in mid to late spring then occasionally throughout the year if conditions are not too austere. This is a plant for the West Coast, as it seems to have little tolerance for extreme summer heat and humidity. And, oh…it’s not very hardy either…About 20F, bottom of USDA zone 9, should be its lower limit. However, it makes a beautiful container specimen as this 8 ft shrub can easily be trimmed back to encourage repeat flowering. Tolerant of summer garden water in coastal areas.

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**Ceanothus maritimus 'Popcorn'**

Low-growing California lilac, with typically small, leathery leaves but untypical white flowers in abundant, early spring clusters. This evergreen, mounding shrub, to 2-3 ft tall x 6 ft wide, makes a fine groundcover for banks or any sunny garden spot. Prefers well-drained soil and very little summer water once established. Cold hardy into the low teens F, bottom of USDA zone 8.

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**Ceanothus thyrsiflorus SBH 9139**

Blueblossom

$14

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**Cephalanthus occidentalis - red**

One of the common button willows, native to creek sides throughout the South and West, this colony was found by Oregon's Frank Calahan. The plants are rather mounded, growing to 4-5 ft, with nice compact leaves and round, of course, button-like flowers. Rather than the normal creamy color, these begin maroon then slowly fade. Tolerant of both drought and poor drainage. Cold hardy to USDA zone 7.

$14

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**Chaenomeles japonica 'Atsuya Hamada'**

Maroon-red flowering quince

A gorgeous quince with dark maroon-red, nearly black flowers, this from a wild collection by Pacific Northwest plantsman Roy Davidson on the slopes of Mount Fuji. Early spring bloom lasts over a long period and attracts lots of admiring attention - both insect and human. For full to half sun with regular summer water. These "must-have" plants can reach 10 ft tall or so x 5-6 ft wide. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5, and possibly colder.

$18

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**Chamaedorea microspadix**

Handsome and useful, this dense clustering palm from Mexico with dark green leaves, pendulous orange-red fruits, and a bamboo-like appearance is an all-around winner. "Microspadix" refers to the tiny white flowers that appear on small stalks prior to forming berries, which emerge green and then ripen in color by late summer. 8-10' tall x 4-5' wide and very easy to grow. Best in part to full sun with moist, well-drained soil and regular fertilizer. Excellent container plant for patios, entryways, or even indoors in good light. Quite frost hardy, to USDA zone 7b, around 5 degrees.

$14

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**Chamaedorea radicalis**  
*MEXICAN PARLOR PALM*  
This little sweetheart thrives for us in the Portland area, weathering winters well and happy as a clam in half shade with consistent moisture. Single stems, but spreads by suckers. From our own collections in NE Mexico. Tops out at waist height. Mulch well. Zone 8  
$18

**Choisya arizonica 'Whetstone'**  
mexican mock orange  
A Cistus introduction. Our own collection from the Whetstone mountains of southern Arizona, selected for its fine filigreed leaves of 1-2" with winter red tint on the green foliage and for its extra vigor. This is a small shrub, to under 3 ft tall by 3 ft wide, yet it produces the largest flowers choisyas are known for, often in both winter and summer. Sun to dappled shade, good drainage. Drought tolerant in all but the lowest deserts. Cold hardy in mid to upper USDA zone 7.  
$14

**Chusquea culeou**  
Upright, solid-caned, well mannered, clumping bamboo with “bottlebrush” branch arrangement. To 8-10 ft tall. New shoots are a breathtaking red, pink and green fading to white. For sun and summer water. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7. From Chile, there are ideal as specimen plants or statements in a South American design.  
$18

**Cinnamomum japonicum**  
korean camphor  
This 25-40 ft tall, evergreen from southern Korea and Japan is an excellent choice for a specimen tree. Not the cinnamon tree from which the spice comes, but a near relation with prominently veined, mid-green leaves that contrast nicely with dark conifers. Very upright, somewhat narrow, and easily underplanted. Thrives in full or part sun with normal water. Frost hardy to 5F, mid USDA zone 7.  
$14

**Cinnamomum japonicum 'Harlequin'**  
Shared with us by plantsman Ted Stephens some years ago, this lovely small cinnamon tree has grown to about 8' in as many years, essentially remaining a graceful shrub--or, if trimmed up a bit--a very small tree, the evergreen leaves are deep green, edged white. Seems best suited to a bit of afternoon shade and at least occasional summer water in dry climates. Cold hardy to at least upper zone 7. Fine container plant.  
$18

**Cistus 'Jessamy Beauty'**  
Rock Rose  
$9

**Cistus ladanifer**  
When we think of rockrose, this is the one that comes to mind: a 4 ft x 4 ft, evergreen shrub with sticky, scented, dark green leaves and huge white flowers marked in the center with crimson splottes. Easily trimmed to size after spring blooming period. Full sun, lean soil that drains well, and little summer water once established. Frost hardy in USDA zone 8.  
$12

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Cistus ladanifer var. sulcatus - Palhinhae Group
Extremely large unspotted white flowers on this 3 ft very drought resistant shrub. Full sun, little or no summer water. Shear if needed, but not necessary. This is from wild collected seed: Turkey. Zone 7b
$12

Cistus libanotis 'Major' - rock rose
A vigorous and free flowering rock rose, to 4 ft, evergreen, its dark, narrow leaves creating a somewhat delicate texture. In spring, erect racemes of white flowers with red sepals appear at the end of each branch. Like the species, found growing on rocky slopes in southern Portugal and Spain, this form likes good drainage and mineral soil in full sun. Drought tolerant once established. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.
$12

Cistus sp. - prostrate form
A hybrid rockrose, evergreen and, in this form, low growing, to only 12-16” tall and to around 3 ft wide. Nice on walls, where it can hang over a bit. Leaves are narrow, pointed and bright green, providing a textured backdrop for the pure white flowers, showy in May and July. Best in full sun, lean and light well-drained soil, and little to no summer water once established. Also adapted to seaside conditions tolerating high winds and salt spray. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.
$9

Cistus x dansereaui 'Portmeirion' - rock rose
Evergreen rock rose, a cross between C. ladanifer and C. inflatus, this selection being somewhat more diminutive than the species, clumping to 4 ft tall or so x 4 ft wide. Leaves are shiny green, and slightly sticky from the infusion of slightly aromatic labdanum oil from the C. ladanifer parent. Spring flowers are pure white and somewhat ruffled. An excellent choice for the dry garden in sun and good drainage. Summer drought tolerant once established. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.
$12

Cistus x laxus 'Snow White'
$12

Citrus 'Yuzu' - yuzu lemon
Partially hardy evergreen citrus known for its wide medicinal and culinary uses (you'll have to look into those). Quite fashionable of late. Large shrub to small tree, 8-12’, producing copious amounts of fragrant white flowers late winter to early spring and small lemon-like fruit. Hint: add sugar. USDA zone 8. Excellent container specimen.
$14

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Citrus aurantium var. myrtifolia  
bitter orange

Very pretty, small compact shrub or small tree to 8-10 ft tall with small, indeed, myrtle-like leaves that are glossy green. Found as a bud mutation on old sour orange trees in Florida, these are thornless! Spring flowers are white and sweetly fragrant, producing small, bumpy skinned fruit, edible but sour. Full sun, rich soil, and summer water. Frost hardy in USDA zones 9-11 with a fighting chance in zone 8.

$14  

Clematis afoliat

Originally collected in the Canterbury foothills on the south island of New Zealand, this leafless clematis grows as a sprawling mound to 6 feet with bright green rush-like stems and creamy pale yellow flowers in late winter/early spring. Useful in sunny, open conditions where the mass bloom can be appreciated. Average water needs, though it can tolerate some drought. Zone 8.

$11  

Clematis paniculata  
sweet autumn clematis

Another gem from New Zealand, this low clambering or scandent vine, to 15 ft or so, has leaves to 2” dappled or entirely the color of uncooked liver...Wow! Actually quite lovely in the landscape. Frequently encountered in Hobbit movies; otherwise rare in cultivation in the northern hemisphere. Small, creamy white flowers in abundance in August and September, but, really, the leaves are the true attraction. Moist, rather infertile ground. Full sun for best color though quite happy in shade. Low end of USDA zone 8. Great container plant.

$14  

Clematis tibetana var. vernayi

It is hard to believe this strikingly architectural vine is a relative of the loved and maligned C. tangutica. Reaches to about 10 ft, with finely dissected leaves looking as if they have been cut from metal. From mid to late summer and into the fall, waxy, six-petalled, yellow flowers appear looking as if they have been cut from orange rind. These are followed by large, fluffy, white seed heads every bit as beautiful as the flowers. An easy grower in dappled shade to full sun. Drought tolerant once established. Frost hardy from 6F to near 0F, mid USDA zone 7.

$16  

Clematis x cartmanii 'Joe'

Tough evergreen clematis, spectacularly floriferous with white, cup-shaped flowers that nearly hide the foliage in early spring. This cross between New Zealand species C. marmoraria and C. paniculata is a non-climber, to 5-6 ft tall, happy spilling its fern-like, cut foliage over walls or containers or tied upright to display the gorgeous flowers. Full sun with good drainage, regular summer water, and protection to keep the roots cool. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$15  

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**Clerodendrum bungei 'Pink Diamond'**

Magenta pink flowers are gorgeous against the dark green foliage with a fragrance that is awesome and alluring. This form with leaves tinted red with striking pink and white variegation. The leaf aroma, when touched, is found by some to be -- well -- less alluring, a bit peanut-buttery ... but consider that butterflies love the flowers and you will too. To 6' tall, flowering mid to late summer. Sun to part shade in good drainage with some water. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7. Keep an eye out for non-variegated suckers, which do happen.

$14

**Lamiaceae**

**Cneorum tricoccon**

spurge olive

A Mediterranean genus, our plants were wild collected as seed in Majorca. This diminutive member of the citruses has narrow, shiny, glossy, and deep green leaves on a compact shrub, to about 3 ft, showing off tiny yellow flowers in spring and sporadically throughout the year followed by tiny little "oranges" produced late in the season. A great and tough-as-nails plant for the dry summer garden provided lean soil, a decent amount of sun, and temperatures above 15F - mid USDA zone 8.

$12

**Cneoraceae**

**Coprosma 'Karo Red'**

A new introduction from New Zealand with a small texture but leaves of deep brick red, the same color as some of the better New Zealand flax (phormium) cultivars. Can grow eventually to about 5 ft but can also be easily pruned or shortened into small specimens or hedging. Great contrast of yellow flowers to foliage. Even summer moisture. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$14

**Rubiaceae**

**Coprosma 'Roys Red'**

Another coprosma for North America, this upright form makes a pleasingly pyramidal shrub, to about 4 ft, with foliage colored brick-red-toward-maroon and darkening in brighter light or with frost. An easy grower with better color in bright light and where summer temperatures are not excessively high. Low fertility enhances color as well. Even summer moisture and, again, bright light. Frost hardy to the bottom of USDA zone 8.

$14

**Rubiaceae**

**Coprosma cheesemanii**

$9

**Rubiaceae**

**Coprosma repens 'Marble Chip'**

A Cistus introduction. Another stable sport of C. repens 'Marble Queen', stabilizing for us into a most attractive tender shrub to about 4' x 4' in height and width. Large glossy leaves are edged and sometimes streaked in white. Can quickly fill a mixed container or bare spot in a warmer garden. Prefers adequate year-round water and dappled shade in hot climates. Evergreen. USDA zone 8b for brief periods. Prefers considerable moisture for best appearance.

$9

**Rubiaceae**

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**Coprosma repens 'Plum Hussey'**

Striking, compact evergreen shrub with lime green new growth that matures into bright glossy green leaves tinged with pink-purple edges. Height and width to 3 ft. A star in any garden or patio container where a burst of color is needed. Older leaves, too, turn a wonderful burgundy color as they age. Full to part sun, but will color best in full sun. Moist, well-drained soil. Frost hardy to USDA zone 9a, USDA zone 8b with protection.

$9

**Coprosma repens 'Rainbow Surprise'**

Choice, tender, evergreen shrub that's hardly green at all. Yellow margins are flushed pink on green leaves -- all the colors darkening in winter. It's like adding paprika to your container. To 5 ft x 3 ft over time. Flowers are insignificant. Best with protection from afternoon sun except in cool coastal climates. Well drained soil and occasional to regular summer water. Can be sheared. Frost hardy to 20F, USDA zone 9.

$12

**Coprosma repens 'Spotted Queen'**

A Cistus introduction. This fairly frequent sport of C. repens 'Marble Queen' has stabilized for us into a most attractive tender shrub to about 4' x 4' in height and width. 3" glossy leaves with pale cream-spotted green can quickly fill a mixed container or bare spot in a warmer garden. Prefers adequate year-round water and dappled shade in hot climates. Evergreen. USDA zone 8b for brief periods. Prefers considerable moisture for best appearance.

$9

**Cornus sanguinea 'Compressa'**

"Interesting", "unique", "strange", "tough", and "distinct" are all words used to describe this red twig dogwood, a very upright and narrow, deciduous shrub, possibly reaching 6-8 ft x 3-4 ft wide. The leaves are wrinkled, veiny, curly and densely held on the stems, a textured addition to the garden, while the crowded, upright stems offer bright red, winter interest. Sun to part shade with regular summer water is best. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$12

**Cornus sericea 'Golden Surprise'**

This more diminutive but every bit as lovely dogwood came as a sport at Hedgerows Nursery from their own C. sericea 'Hedgerows Gold.' Small, to 6-8 ft, with reddish twigs and brilliant yellow leaves that are surprisingly sun resilient for their "golditude". Can be coppiced. Particularly wonderful as foreground to dark-leaved evergreens -- or a snowbank if you live in Montana. Frost hardy in USDA zone 4, possibly lower. Tolerant of wet feet in half shade to sun.

$15

**Corokia cotoneaster - Devil's Staircase**

Evergreen, divaricating shrub from New Zealand. This strain was collected from rocky areas in Devil's Staircase, New Zealand. Silver gray stems with tiny leaves and, in spring, tiny, fragrant, yellow flowers. To 8 ft x 8 ft in time. Full sun to part shade with good drainage and summer water. Frost hardy to USDA zone 8.

$12
Corokia cotoneaster 'Devil's Smoke'
A Cistus introduction. The world needs another black-leaved plant! From seed collected from the wonderful Pukerau Nursery in NZ, we selected this particularly interesting clone. Wiry, silver-tinted stems give way to black, green-centered leaves on a densely contorting, divaricating shrub to about 6' eventually. From the Devil's Staircase formation near the tip of the South Island, it should be among the hardiest of the species, but who really cares cuz it looks dead anyways. USDA zone 7. Full sun for best color. By the way, cheery small yellow flowers in spring.

$12

Corokia x virgata 'Orangerie'
A Cistus introduction. Though we would like to say this lovely plant is a result of years of careful hybridization under tightly controlled circumstances, we actually found it growing on the floor of one of the greenhouses as a tiny seedling. This grows as other C. x virgata forms, to a 6-8 ft shrub, but with a more upright form and butter-yellow-aging-copper-orange leaves with reflective, nearly white, undersides. In the garden, some summer water, the foliage showing warm yellow in light shade to deeper orange in sun. Very good container specimen. Great when planted with burgundies or other dark foliage plants. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$14

Cortaderia selloana 'Gold Band'
This may be the perfect pampas grass. It is handsome with gold bands along the leaf edges that sparkle in the sun and set off the white, late summer plumes that stand upright above the showy foliage, rising up to 10 ft tall. A slow grower, this form clumps to 3-6 ft wide by 6-10 ft tall but remains within bounds as they are seedless and can't reproduce. Perfectly happy in full sun with no summer water once established, 'Gold Band' is a happy plant for the dry border or in containers. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$12

Cotoneaster microphyllus var. thymifolius
dwarf rock spray
A dwarf species, perfect for the Mediterranean garden, remaining under 3 ft high x 3-5 ft wide with fine-textured, evergreen leaves, under 1/4", enveloped in silver-gray as are the young stems. Small scarlet berries develop from small white flowers and adorn the densely cloaked branches in fall through midwinter. Summer drought-loving though content in a well-watered garden provided sharp drainage. Cold hard to -20F, USDA zone 5.

$12

Cotyledon orbiculata var. oblonga
Architectural South African succulent with chalky, finger-like leaves and light orange flowers that hang down from short stalks that rise from the middle of the leaves. Plant in full sun to light shade in well-drained soil. Keep away from livestock as plants can be deadly to grazing animals such as sheep and goats. Drought-tolerant. Cold hard to 15-20 degrees.

$9
Crassula 'Hobbit'  baby jade
Not unlike heroic hobbit Frodo Baggins, this form of baby jade is a bit shorter and stouter than the others, and certainly a curiosity piece, producing compact, shiny, succulent leaves shaped a bit like miniature elephant trunks. Eventually to 3 ft tall and nearly as wide, forming a succulent trunk with age -- but takes many years to get there. Best as container specimen as they are only frost hardy into the upper 20's F, upper USDA zone 9. Makes a good houseplant.

$7  Crassulaceae

Crassula corymbulosa  shark's tooth crassula
Small succulent from South Africa, to 6-10" tall x 12-20" wide, with medium green, triangular leaves overlapping in stacked, pagoda-like rosettes that add red tones in the sun and produce small white flowers at the top before dropping its leaves to produce more plants. Full sun for best leaf color. Very drought tolerant once established and frost hardy to 20F, USDA zone 9. Excellent in pots or hanging baskets. Tres retro!

$10  Crassulaceae

Crassula ovata 'Hummel's Sunset'  golden jade plant
Shrubby jade plant, this with leaves flushed and margined with golden yellow and copper-red along the margins. This one is a little smaller, denser, and more compact than the species, reaching only 2-3 ft high. Fine in bright light or dappled shade with little water necessary. Does not tolerate frost so best in containers to be moved indoors when weather becomes cold. Frost hardy to 30F, USDA zone 10.

$8  Crassulaceae

Crassula ovata 'Tricolor'  variegated jade plant
Variegated jade plant, the dark green, succulent leaves decorated with creamy white irregular markings. A lovely shrub and slow-growing, reaching only 1 ft tall in several years, in bright light or part shade. Very drought tolerant, needing only occasional water in summer and almost none in winter unless grown in container and requiring a bit more frequent attention. A fine succulent shrub outdoors where temperatures don't drop below freezing, USDA zone 10. Otherwise a happy container plant spending at least the winter months indoors in bright light.

$10  Crassulaceae

Crassula pruinosa
Dense succulent from South Africa's Eastern Cape with gray-green leaves and striking reddish stems that eventually forms a nice 12-18" shrublet. Flowers small white clusters of flowers in summer, somewhat inconspicuously. Excellent container specimen, either alone or with friends. Full sun, low water. Frost hardy to USDA zone 8.

$7  Crassulaceae

Crassula pubescens ssp. radicans 'Large Red'
This dense-growing succulent is a relative of the familiar Jade Plant. Growing to less than a foot high with plump leaves that give an overall appearance of a succulent leafy carpet. Very easy and adaptable, accepting drought with an occasional drink of water for optimal health. The plant takes on a lovely red glow if grown in full sun. Treat as a seasonal interest plant with the option of bringing it in for the winter as a houseplant. Frost hardy to 25F USDA zone 9b.

$9  Crassulaceae

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**Cuphea micropetala**  
Woody sub-shrub, a Mexican native with abundant and gorgeous, candy corn flowers, red tubes with yellow tips, borne on the branch tips. To 3-4 ft tall and wide if winter doesn't interfere. Part sun, out of the hottest midday and afternoon heat, well-drained soil, and summer water to establish. Evergreen in frost-free places; a die back perennial in colder areas, returning in the spring in upper USDA zone 8. Hardier with protection from winter rains.  

$9  
Lythraceae

**Cupressus arizonica** var. glabra - very blue  
Seedlings of a Cistus introduction, 'Sedonna Columnar', these plants exhibit a similar dense, almost Italian cypress form. Narrow and upright, with lovely foliage of deep blue-green. We expect these to reach 15-18 ft, like the parents, in full sun and lean and well-drained soil with little summer water once established. Frost hardy to USDA zone 5.  

$14  
Cupressaceae

**Cupressus sargentii**  
California endemic found in yellow pine forests and chaparral and serpentine communities. This adaptable cypress grows slowly in dry environments, reaching 12-15 ft tall over time, and more quickly where water is more plentiful, reaching a possible 50 ft tall -- a handsome evergreen tree of any size with layered branches and gray bark. Prefers lean, well-drained soil but tolerates a wide range of soils; also tolerates summer drought and accepts occasional summer water. Best in full sun and frost hardy to at least 0F, USDA zone 7 with reports of tolerance into zone 6.  

$14  
Cupressaceae

**Cyclamen hederifolium** - silver shades  
Our seedlings of these fall flowering beauties, taken from isolated plants of entirely silver-leaved forms. The same warm pink flowers appear early, at the end of August, and often continue into October and November giving way to to sheets of silver leaves. Wonderful when interplanted with black mondo grass (*Ophiopogon planiscapus* 'Nigrescens'). Easy in USDA zone 6 or above in open areas of light shade and little disturbance. Has been grown successfully as low as zone 4 with culms mulched or planted a bit deep.  

$12  
Primulaceae

**Cyrtanthus breviflorus** - bright yellow  
A robust form from the Drakensburg Mountains of South Africa, collected by plantsman Panayoti Kelaidis, with strap-like leaves emerging in spring followed by yellow trumpets that first look a bit like daffodils. Best in bright conditions and well-drained but summer-damp soil. Frost hardy to at least 0 and 10F, USDA zone 7. Have proven hardy in the ground in Colorado. Stunning pot specimen.  

$14  
Amaryllidaceae

**Dahlia** 'Bonne Esperance'  
Blooming all summer with small pink, yellow-centered flowers, this is a classic small dahlia, reaching only 12 -18” tall, a nice addition to a perennial border accent among shrubs. Bees love them. As with all dahlias, good drainage keeps them healthy in winter; and water keeps them blooming in summer. Best in full sun but tolerates some shade. No need to lift the tubers in USDA zone 8 with good drainage.  

$12  
Asteraceae
Dahlia 'Fornsett Furnace'

We couldn’t dial up the saturation in Photoshop® any higher than it is naturally in this orange-red selection of D. coccinea that grows to about 5 ft. Yellow highlights with orange eye. Full sun. Don’t lift.

$12

Dahlia coccinea 'Chocolate Orange'

Delicious perennial dahlia, a dense and shrubby form with dark, purple-bronze leaves and creamy orange flowers standing tall through the summer and early fall. To 4-5 ft tall and very upright, needing little if any staking. Sun and rich, loamy soil with regular water for a plant that keeps on giving. Cut back in late fall or early spring to refresh. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$11

Dahlia sp. D67-61 - black flowered

A must for the chocoholic! This Cistus wild collection from Neuvo Leon, Mexico has dark, 2” flowers that are both chocolate colored and chocolate scented. Reaches to 3 ft tall easily, developing from tubers that are huge... but not chocolate. Easy in the garden with sun and summer water. Fully frost hardy in USDA zone 8.

$12

Daphne odora 'Aureomarginata Alba'

Evergreen shrub, to 5 ft tall and wide, with mid-green leaves edged in creamy yellow. Handsome year round and especially lovely with its combination of pink bud and fragrant globes of star-shaped white flowers from midwinter into spring. Hardier and easier to grown than the species in sun to part shade, well-drained soil and summer moisture. Native to China and Japan and cold hardy to USDA zone 8.

$11

Dasylirion texanum
texas sotol

As the name would imply, this gem of a garden plant is native to west and southern Texas into Mexico and is one of the hardiest of the lot. Deep green rosettes, with small backward pointing spines and attractive golden filifers at the ends of the leaves, eventually form small trunks but are attractive as focal points or repeated rosettes in the garden. As denizens of the southern Great Plains, they love a thunderstorm or two in the summer and don't mind being dry in the winter, though they are tolerant of moisture. Sun to dappled shade, the main problem with dappled shade being dead leaves, not fun to pull out of the center of the plant -- your arm could get stuck that way, as my dad used to say about forbidden things. Reports tell us of frost tolerance up to -20F, USDA zone 5. Wow! Also great container plants.

$16

Dasylirion wheeleri - select form
common sotol, desert spoon

The best known and one of the more spectacular of the genus, these trunk-forming plants are denizens of southeast Arizona to southern New Mexico and south into Sonora. This form from Tony Avent at Plant Delights Nursery has long and narrow, powder-blue leaves with spines along the sides, twisting slightly towards a spineless tip. Rosettes to 3 ft tall x 4 ft wide can, when mature, be topped by tall flower stalks to up to 10 ft tall. Prefers sun and enough drainage that it doesn't sit in winter wet, but isn't fussy about water. A good container specimen. Frost hardy to at least 0F, USDA zone 7 especially in bright light with good air circulation and very well-drained soil.

$14

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*Deilanthe peersii*

From interior cape of Southern South Africa, at fairly high elevations, comes this rather cryptogrammic ice plant, appearing much like the gravely soil in which it grows, with 1/2" rounded triangular leaves that can appear almost as if coated by a very fine sand. Plant grows to only a couple of inches in height and about twice the width. Pale yellow flowers appear in mid-spring and occasionally later. Appreciates very gritty and well-drained location. Fine in container or rock garden. Zone 5.

$7

*Agavaceae/Asparagaceae*

*Delosperma 'Tiffendell'*

$9

*Aizoaceae*

*Delosperma ashtonii*

One of the earliest of the hardy ice plants to be cultivated in North America. To about 3" in height and spreading to a couple of feet or more. This high-veld creature with succulent bright green foliage, and rose pink to lavender centered flowers, can be grown in any sunny, well-drained position. Areas as cold as zone 5, if provided gritty well drained soil. Excellent small scale ground cover or container plant.

$11

*Aizoaceae*

*Delosperma karooicum*

Another compact ice plant from South Africa's interior succulent desert, with dense clumps of slender light green leaves. Grows 4in tall x 18in wide. White flowers in spring and sporadically in summer and autumn. The plant's habitat can get water year round though sporadic and a bit heavier in winter. Lean soil and a bright spot is best. Very good container plant. Hardy to zero or a bit lower, especially when dry. USDA zone 6.

$9

*aizoaceae*

*Delosperma nellii*

Exceedingly compact little ice plant with spring green leaves and a long season of cerise to purple from mid-spring until frost, sometimes taking a rest during high-heat periods. Only a couple of inches in height and a foot in width after several years. Rewarding for container, trough, or open sunny spot in the garden as long as the soil is well-drained. Frost hardy to USDA zone 5, possibly even colder.

$9

*aizoaceae*

*Delosperma nubigenum*

Mat forming succulent covered in summer with bright yellow, daisy-like flowers. To less than 6" tall forming low mats of evergreen leaves that turn bronze in winter and spread to 15" wide and beyond over time. A good ground cover for the sunny garden where drainage is excellent and little summer water is provided. Lovely in a rock garden or spilling over a rock wall. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 5. Attracts butterflies and is said to be resistant to deer.

$7

*Aizoaceae*

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**Delosperma nubigenum 'Basutoland'**
basutoland yellow ice plant

An easy and cold hardy ground-covering succulent, selected by the Berkeley Botanic Garden. Growing to only 6" tall, forming clumps to 2 ft wide that trail over walls or containers or create a colorful mat. The evergreen leaves turning red in winter. Summer flowers are bright yellow daisies, nearly covering the plant from late spring into summer. Sun to part shade is best in very well-drained soil with at least occasional summer water once established. Surprisingly frost hardy, accepting temperatures below 0F into USDA zone 6.

$7

**Aizoaceae**

**Delosperma sanguinea 'Kirstenbosch'**

Another hardy South African ice plant, this to only 2-3" tall spreading to 18" or more per season, with narrow leaves and stems of soft blue-gray with overlying burgundy tones in cold weather. The flowers are somewhere between crimson and plum appearing from late spring to mid-autumn and accenting the foliage beautifully. Seems an easy grower in poor soil and bright light. Summer water greatly speeds growth. We have this in several stock plantings in mixed containers - a lovely sight. Reported frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5; we'll go with upper zone 6 or zone 7 especially in places receiving winter wet.

$9

**Aizoaceae**

**Dendropanax dentiger DJH 99162**

This, from a collection of Dan Hinkley from several years ago, is a vigorous, upright small tree, to 15 ft or more, with a spreading umbrella-shaped top and two to three parted leaves about 1/2 the size of the more common *D. trifidus*. This is a contender for the perfect small patio tree or evergreen woodland addition. One of the evergrowing, evergreen araliaceae friends we are finding to be frost hardy in temperate gardens, this one frost hardy to USDA zone 7.

$15

**Araliaceae**

**Dendropanax trifidus**

Another marvelous ivy-on-a stick, this plant -- having had a presence in collector's gardens in the southeast and on the West Coast, then nearly disappearing in cultivation -- is back! Shiny, three-lobed, glossy green, evergreen leaves of about 6" adorn this narrow, umbrella shaped, small tree, eventually to 10-15 ft. A lover of shade to dappled sun, these seem fine in full sun if provided consistent moisture. A great plant for tropical effect in the garden. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$16

**Araliaceae**

**Desfontainia spinosa - Western Hills form**
chilean holly

Selected at Western Hills Nursery, this handsome Chilean shrub, bushy and slow-growing to 10 ft x 10 ft, has holly-like, evergreen leaves and, from summer to autumn, large tubular, vibrant orange flowers with yellow throats followed by cherry-sized fruits. Needs a cool, moist climate in a partially shaded location with acid soil that is moisture retentive. Tolerates short periods of drought but looks best with ample, regular water. Cold hardy in USDA zone 8 and tolerates occasional snow cover.

$12

**Columelliaceae**
Deuterocohnia brevifolia

Evergreen mounding succulent, the small, 1-2", rosettes forming a low mound up to 3 ft in diameter. Leaves are bluish green with a few spines on the margins; flowers are yellow-green, appearing in early winter. They prefer bright light - full sun or, in the hottest places, light shade -- and well-drained soil. Though drought tolerant, growth is better with summer water. Frost hardy in upper USDA zone 9. Previously known as Abromeitiella brevifolia.

$15  

Bromeliaceae

Disporopsis sp. - giant

$14  

Liliaceae

Disporum cantoniense 'Golden Temple'  

Chinese fairy bells

A still somewhat new and always lovely form of the Chinese fairybell, this with wide, deep gold centers in the green leaves, brightening any shady spot. Given to us by Ted Stephens of Nurseries Carolinianas and one of the prettiest selections so far. To only 30" tall, these have typical white, bell flowers in early summer followed by purple-black fruit. Rich, moist soil in light shade is best with regular summer water. Evergreen above 0F, USDA zone 7 and root hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5.

$12  

Liliaceae

Droserum speciosum

Yet another amazing ice plant from the Cape of South Africa, best seen in the National Botanical Garden at Worcester where the hills become florescent with orange and orange-yellow flowers in September. In mild areas of the West Coast, USDA zone 9 or above, this makes a wonderful 2-3 ft shrub with narrow 1/2" green leaves, flowering in spring and sporadically thereafter. A great pot plant elsewhere. As with all ice plants can be root bound for eons with no ill effects. Requires winter water but is able to withstand dry summers.

$7  

Aizoaceae

Dryopteris uniformis 'Cristata'

Crested uniform wood fern

Useful and lovely evergreen fern for deep to moderate shade with slowly clumping rosettes of scalloped fronds with variable fans toward each tip. We use these even in dryish shade though they appreciate moisture when particularly hot. Fully evergreen into USDA zone 7. Responding to leaf damage in zone 7 and to the bottom of zone 6.

$15  

Dryopteridaceae

Dudleya cymosa - Downieville, CA  

Canyon live-forever

From a genus found west of the mountains from Baja to Oregon from 500 to 8000 ft., this attractive "liveforever", collected at nearly 7000 ft in California's upper Yuba Canyon, has rosettes to 5" of purple-gray leaves and, in spring, particularly large reddish flowers atop tall, red stems. Wonderful rock garden plant or pot specimen for VERY well-drained soil, a bit of summer water, and dry winters. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, lower if kept winter dry, e.g. in a moveable pot.

$9  

Crassulaceae

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Dudleya cymosa - San Luis Obispo, CA
   canyon live-forever
   Another attractive "liveforever", this, collected by plantsman Tim Hanis in San Luis Obispo, California, has particularly large rosettes with rather shiny, purple tinted leaves and cream to very pale orange flowers. As with others, a wonderful rock garden plant or pot specimen for VERY well-drained soil, a bit of summer water, and dry winters. Though has survived in Tim Hannis' Salt Lake City, Utah garden, we still recommend USDA zone 8 for those of us less able to work such miracles.
   $9

Dudleya cymosa ssp. paniculata - Pacheco Pass, CA
   canyon live-forever
   Another in the charming genus of "liveforevers", this California endemic has rosettes of powder-blue, dusted leaves and branched flower stalks of button-like buds opening to light yellow flowers. Prefers gritty soil that drains well in a sunny location with protection from summer water, especially in warm weather. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, but should be protected from sudden freezes.
   $9

Dudleya cymosa ssp. pumila
   low canyon liveforever
   From central California, this collection from plantsman Tim Hanis represents a diminutive form of the species from sterile sites, each rosette looking like a silver-gray button about 3" in width. Creamy yellow flowers, sometimes orange-tinted, appear in spring through early summer. Best if kept summer dry or in a cool place with well-drained soil. Does well in cool coastal climates. Frost hardy in upper USDA zone 8.
   $9

Dudleya lanceolata
   lanceleaf live-forever
   Known as lanceleaf liveforever, this collection from Tim Hanis, taken in the California's San Bernadino Mountains at over 3500 ft, has succulent, narrow and pointed, blue-green leaves and appears in colonies of powder-blue starfish in gravelly spots and outcrops. In summer, clusters of yellow to red flowers appear on stalks to 2 ft tall. Adaptable to various soils but requires good drainage. Accepts droughty conditions as well as abundant water and sun to part shade. So far has been frost hardy to close to 0F, USDA zone 7, with superb drainage and dry summers.
   $9

Dudleya sp. var. nova - Santa Clara County, CA
   From a pinch of seed given us by Tim Hanis, this yet to be described creature has 5-6" rosettes of very green, succulent leaves and panicles of light yellow flowers from late spring to early summer. We'll leave it to the experts to decide what exactly makes it different from the others, but horticulturally it's a pretty thing. Care is the same as for most others; if you don't happen to have a small cliff, then well-drained, mineral rich soil in rock garden wall or container. Avoid watering in summer especially when hot and if in containers make sure the soil is evenly moist during the winter months with bright light. Cold hardy for brief periods in upper USDA zone 8.
   $9
**Dyckia 'Burgundy Ice'**

Surprisingly frost hardy, sharp spined succulent, with rosettes of long, narrow, pointed leaves in shades of burgundy to nearly black, all edged in distinctive white spines. Flowers are orange, adding to the color palette. To 6-12" tall and wide. Full sun for the best color in well-drained soil with little summer water necessary. Frost hardy to 20-25 degrees, USDA zone 9. Possibly colder if really, really, really dry. Also does well in containers.

$14

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**Dyckia 'Naked Lady'**

Named for the lack of spines along the leaves, this cross between *D. encholirioides* × *D. brevifolia* is a terrestrial bromeliad with sharp-tipped, shiny green, strap-like leaves arranged in rosettes to 1 ft tall and 2 ft wide. Forms colonies rather quickly. In spring, bright orange flowers appear on tall stems. Part sun to bright shade is best with moderate water. Frost hardy to 20F, USDA zone 9. Happy in containers where temperatures drop lower.

$12

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**Echeveria 'Fred Ives'**

Echeveria 'Topsy Turvy'

A plant with a sense of humor, this fasciated sport has cupped and undulated blue leaves on small rosettes, under about 6", with pink to salmon flowers in spring and summer. Prefers mineral soil. A great plant for dish gardens, containers, or planting out where temperatures fall to 20F, USDA zone 9. Fun for the whole family.

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**Echeveria elegans**

*Mexican Snowball*

Dense, blue-gray succulent species from Mexico that mounds or spreads slowly in tight colonies. Edges of leaves are slightly pink, producing equally pretty small pink flowers with a yellow tinge. Very handsome and uniform in the garden. More cold hardy than many other echeveria hybrids, this one makes an excellent rock garden or container plant that needs occasional winter protection below 25 degrees. Drought-tolerant. Plant in part to full sun.

$8

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**Echeveria multicaulis 'Copper Roses'**

Easy echeveria species with small rosettes of fleshy green leaves with red on the edges, the color increasing in bright light and cold weather. Flowers are also particularly lovely -- red with yellow orange. Like all echeverias, these must have lean soil and very good drainage to avoid root rot. Water infrequently when the soil has dried (before the soil shrinks from the pot edges). Frost hardy to 25F, mid USDA zone 9 so best in containers that can be protected in winter.

$9

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**Echeveria peacockii**

Lovely fast growing echeveria, found in Mexico and north into California on rocky outcrops where drainage is very fast. Rosettes of silver-blue leaves are highlighted in purple and topped with stalks of dark orange flowers beginning in early summer. Best in lean soil that drains quickly and bright light where they are protected from the hottest sun. Little water is needed in the winter months with more provided in spring and summer. Frost hardy to 25F, USDA zone 9b, so best in containers with winter protection where temperatures drop below.

$9  **Crassulaceae**

**Echeveria pulidonis**

Gray-green leaves form stemless rosettes, to 4-5" wide, growing slowly and gradually, forming a small mound to 1 ft wide. Yellow flowers appear in late winter to early spring, standing above the foliage on arching stems. Best in well-drained, lean soil in bright shade to morning sun. Water in spring and summer during the growing season and occasionally in winter. Frost hardy in USDA zone 9, so best in pots with winter protection.

$9  **Crassulaceae**

**Echinopsis oxygona**  

*Easter lily cactus*

Fast-growing, round little cactus, quickly offsetting to form large, handsome clumps that produce beautiful, trumpet-shaped, fragrant flowers on long, tubular stems: flowers that open at night and last only one day. Blooms from late spring through summer in colors from white tinted pink to lavender-pink. Thrives in sun to half-shade in porous and lean, well-drained soil with judicious summer water. Frost hardy to 15F, mid USDA zone 8 if kept dry in winter. Otherwise a successful indoor plant in good light.

$12  **Cactaceae**

**Edgeworthia chrysantha 'Akebono'**  

*Red paper bush*

Another amazing daphne relative, this rarer form of the paper bush shrub has Crayon® orange flowers rather than the usual yellow. Not quite as scented as the species. Deciduous, slow-growing shrub, to 5-6 ft tall, with winter blooms on handsome, bare stems. Sun to part shade with plentiful summer water. Frost hardy in upper USDA zone 7.

$22  **Thymelaeaceae**

**Elettaria cardamomum**  

*Cardamom*

Who knew that cardamom, native to the Malabar Coast of India where it grows wild in the understory of tropical rain forests, is actually a member of the ginger family and can grow to an astonishing 12' tall. Its long, lance-shaped, dark green leaves, some reaching 2' or so, have a pale underside that contributes to its soft and attractive, almost weeping, appearance. Because cardamom will only flower and fruit in tropical conditions, most grow it as a hothouse container plant. Needs moist soil and filtered shade. Frost hardy to USDA zone 10.

$14  **Zingiberaceae**

**Epimedium epsteinii**

Recently discovered, vigorous, low-growing species from China with glossy dark green leaves and large, arresting flowers. White sepals with plum purple spurs--sometimes as many as thirty--hang from each stem in spring and sometimes again in fall. Excellent as an evergreen groundcover in shady areas. Height to 10" and spreading at a rate of 6-8" a year. Part sun to light shade best. Water occasionally in summer to keep from drying out. Divide in fall or spring. Frost hardy to USDA zone 5.

$15  **Magnoliales**

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**Eriogonum fasciculatum** [Daisy Ma collection]

$11

**Polygonaceae**

**Eriophyllum lanatum 'Takilma Gold'**

A 2011 Cistus introduction from Oregon's Siskiyou Mts, this a particularly robust "Oregon Sunshine" mounding to 18" by 3 ft with silvery leaves topped by a very long season of cheery gold flowers. Perennial and nearly evergreen in mild climates, dying back to a silvery resting rosette below USDA zone 7. Tolerant of drought or garden water. Full sun and decent drainage. USDA zone 5, possibly lower.

$9

**Asteraceae**

**Escallonia revoluta**

Native to Chile, this broadleaved evergreen shrub or small tree grows slowly, reaching 12-15 ft tall and wide -- or perhaps as much as 20-25 ft over a long time. Leaves are handsome, glossy, showy, and abundant, a fine background for the white flowers that appear at the ends of stems in early spring and occasionally though early fall. A delightful small garden tree or hedge in sun for best appearance or dappled shade. Fairly drought tolerant once established but tolerates summer water. This collection was made by plantsman Mike Remmick at the highest altitude where he could find it and has excellent potential into USDA zone 7. Also resprouts from the ground easily if winter damaged.

$14

**Escalloniaceae**

**Eucalyptus parvula**

An extremely well-mannered, small tree, often multi-trunked, growing slowly to 35 ft or so with a broad, graceful form, somewhat flat-topped with age. Narrowly oval adult leaves of 2-3" -- deep, matte green with purple and blue overtones -- follow the rounded juvenile foliage. The bark is colorful as well, brown peeling to pink and green patches. These tolerate drought and somewhat poor drainage, though well-drained soil is best in full to part sun. Frost hardy to 5 F, mid USDA zone 7. Can resprout from the base.

$12

**Myrtaceae**

**Eucomis 'Innocence'**

From a South African native. Striking white to pale pink, “pineapple”-like flowers on purple tinted stems show off from August to September above rosettes of long, narrow, “tropical” leaves. Bright light, full sun to part shade with water in spring during growth and protection from excess winter water, perhaps by an overhang. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7; lower with mulch. Can be grown in pots or lifted for the winter.

$11

**Liliaceae**

**Eucomis autumnalis - dark leaved form**

Succulent bulbs from South Africa that produce long, fluted, fleshy leaves, in this form emerging purple in spring and maturing to olive-green edged in purple. Flowers are the typical "pineapple-on-a-stick" -- clusters of white flowers on a spike topped with a few leaves. Tolerates poor drainage and appreciates summer moisture in full to half sun. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, possible zone 5/6 with mulch.

$12

**Asparagaceae**
Eucomis comosa 'Tugela Ruby'  pineapple lily

Upright, somewhat fleshy leaves to 18” tall, colored a deep, dark purple in this cultivar and, in mid summer, saturated pink, fragrant flowers, darkening over time. The flower stalks, looking indeed a bit like pineapples, make very good cut flowers. Full sun or part shade in hottest climates gives the best foliage color. Requires water in the spring and summer growing season and relief from winter moisture – very well-drained soil or overhead protection. This South African native is best left undisturbed for a long and fruitful life. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7; mulch for extra protection.

$11

Eucomis pallidiflora ssp. pole-evansii  giant pineapple lily

From South Africa, a wonderful and hard-to-find perennial with rosettes of bright, pale-green leaves, to 3 ft tall and 4-5” wide, appearing in late spring and topped in late summer by creamy, green-center florets in a long cone with tufts of green leaves at the top. An impressive presence in sun to partial light shade. Tolerates poor drainage but prefers well-drained soil, especially in winter wet, and performs best with average summer water. Mulch and drainage improve winter cold hardiness to 0F, USDA zone 7. A fine container plant.

$14

Eucryphia x nymansensis 'Mt. Usher'

Wonderful, late-summer flowering shrub - tall, multi-stemmed, to 20 ft in time. Dense and vigorous, with dark, leathery leaves, somewhat wavy on the edges, and large white, fragrant flowers in late August-September when little else is showy. Full to part sun and normal water. Can take somewhat heavy soils. Frost hardy to USDA zone 7.

$14

Euphorbia ceratocarpa

Large, bold, extremely choice spurge from Sicily, to 3-4 ft tall and as wide, a wonderful filler in the garden as the chartreuse and nectar-filled, yellow-green flowers continue over a long period. Also useful as a focal point. Best grown in full sun with little summer water. Evergreen in the Pacific Northwest, in USDA zone 8.

$12

Eurya japonica 'Sea Brocade'

An arrival from Japan in 2007, this graceful small shrub -- to 3 ft or so, with imbricately arranged, narrow leaves splashed and margined cream white and rose -- is a long coveted plant that was, until now, available only in pictures. We prefer the real thing! Though slow to root, plants progress nicely becoming reliable shrubs in a light woodland situation or with morning sun with well-drained soil and even summer water. The winter flowers are tiny and, as a bonus, do NOT have the fragrance/odor of burning tires for which the species is known! Frost hardy in mid USDA zone 7.

$17

Fatsia japonica 'Spider Web'  speckled japanese aralia

A wonderful variegated form of the original Japanese aralia with typically palmate leaves that emerge speckled overall in cream and white and mature to light green with white variegations. To 5 ft tall, this Japanese selection does well in shade or with morning sun, enjoying consistent summer water for best performance. Frost hardy in upper USDA zone 7 and a fine houseplant in colder climates.

$18

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Fatsia japonica 'Spilt Milk'
A Cistus introduction found as a seedling with lustrous green leaves edged and splashed cream and white. Particularly vigorous and happy in shade to morning sun, with consistent moisture for best variegation. Evergreen, multistemmed shrub to 10 ft with panicles of white flowers followed by black berries. Bold specimen for tropical effect, great in a container. Upper USDA zone 7.

$18

Fatsia polycarpa 'Needham's Lace'
A gorgeous member of the aralia family, first seen by Sean during a lecture tour in 1997 when Edward Needham showed his fabulous collection of fatsias collected in the highlands of Taiwan and, fortunately, gave Sean a seedling of this plant. After years of nurturing, there are now some to share. To 10 ft tall, possibly a bit taller, in part shade to shade with summer water. Expected to be a bit more frost hardy than the typical Fatsia japonica, accepting 10F, bottom of USDA zone 8 and very probably a bit lower.

$24

Ficus afghanistanica 'Silver Lyre'
A Cistus introduction...yet another hardy fig. We wonder where it's been all our lives. Native from Northern India to western Iran and Afghanistan and a delicacy there with its small, dark, very sweet fruit. We have selected this form from seed for its entrancing, filigreed, silver-green leaves of about 5-7". So far, ours have been for external use only as we have not tasted the fruit. Eventually might reach 15-20 ft in height; can easily be kept smaller with pruning. Sun to part shade. Very drought tolerant once established. Frost hardy to the upper edge of USDA zone 7 so far.

$16

Ficus carica 'Sticky Fingers'
Our own selection found as a seedling during a walk along a drainage ditch in Fresno, CA -- keeping our promise to bring you plants from the most exotic corners of the world. The shiny leaves are lobed so as to look like the fingers of ET -- both elegant and silly, depending on the view. We have not yet tasted the figs as the Scrub Jays beat us to them this year. But with or without the fruit, this fig, eventually from 10-15 ft, makes an intriguing specimen or component of the tropical garden. Great container plant. Full sun to part shade; very drought tolerant. Fully frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8; a freeze-back shrub in upper zone 6 and 7.

$16

Ficus sp. - Camellia Forest
Attractive small species, somewhat resembling the Ficus pumila but with more triangular leaves and a more matte green color. This collection by Cliff Parks, as yet unidentified, creates a most useful groundcover or small wall covering and has been at least 10 degrees more frost hardy than its cousins. Medium shade to full sun and drought tolerant though faster growing with adequate moisture. Has survived a little below 0F, USDA zone 7, and been undamaged at 10F, zone 8.

$12

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**Forsythia suspensa ssp. sieboldii**

Another lovely plant in a genus we didn't think we really liked. Shared with us by Marshall Olbrich of Western Hills fame, this diminutive species remains under 2 ft with a pendulous, weeping habit. They have under 1", narrow leaves and produce a lighter-than-usual yellow flower in great abundance anywhere from January through March. Ranks almost with *Jasminum nudiflorum* in suitability for spilling over walls or placement on banks. Sun to dappled shade. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6; zone 5 with protection. (Also known as *Forsythia suspensa*.)

$12

**Fragaria sp.** - yellow fruit from Afghanistan

From a wild collection in the mountains of Afghanistan, this drought tolerant ground covering strawberry produces small, pleasing berries colored an ochre yellow. The flavor is almost like...Hmmm...Bananas! Treat like other strawberries and grow in part shade to full sun with occasional summer water where dry. Frost hardy to USDA zone 7, possibly lower.

$9

**Fuchsia 'Autumnale'**

One of our favorites, with leaves of golden orange and sometimes pinky maroon. It is lovely for the foliar effect alone but produces deep cerise flowers as well. Low growing to about 2 ft, it is a good spiller. This has been hardy for us in the ground, but we would not consider it the hardiest of fuchsias. At its best in containers where other golden and maroon foliage is used. Full sun in coastal climates to dappled shade elsewhere. Ground hardy in USDA zone 8 or above.

$11

**Gardenia jasminoides Summer Snow** \(^{PP \#22, 797}\)

Gorgeous gardenia selected by Buds & Blooms nursery for its stunning, double white, highly fragrant flowers, nestled on short stems amongst the glossy green leaves in early summer. Extra cold hardiness, to at least -10F, USDA zone 6 with reports in zone 5. We have not tried it at those temperatures and hopefully we never will but we would be happy to hear from anyone who does. Shrubs reach 4-5 ft tall and wide in part sun to full shade with consistent summer moisture to establish and through the growing season. Fertilizer and iron after blooming helps maintain foliage. Here's to gardenias in colder areas. Worth growing in container in even colder zones.

$16

**Gardenia jasminoides 'Chuck Hayes'** \(^{PP\#755}\)

Tough, hardy, and lovely gardenia for USDA zone 7, down to 0F, really! Wonderfully fragrant, double white flowers in June and July, and occasionally in autumn when temperatures cool down. Compact evergreen shrub, to 3 ft, blooms in full to half sun with normal garden water. Developed by the late Chuck Hayes and Dan Milbocker at the Virginia Beach Research Station, VA.

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Gardenia jasminoides ‘Cream Picotee’

A Cistus introduction. Lovely, variegated gardenia, with smallish, shiny, green leaves that are both streaked and spotted creamy whites ... in an attractive way. This compact, evergreen shrub, to only 3-4 ft tall x 2-3 ft wide, is vigorous to boot with large, semi-double flowers that rather resemble its relative, G. jasminoides 'Chuck Hayes'. As with other gardenias, sun except in the hottest places where part shade is preferred, rich soil, and regular summer water as well as generous offerings of nutrients and iron. Frost hardy in USDA zone 8.

$15

Gardenia jasminoides ‘Frost Proof’

hardy double gardenia, cape jasmine

The “more” gardenia -- more tough, more cold tolerant and sun tolerant, more adaptable, and said to be more deer resistant -- not to mention beautiful! Double white flowers are extremely fragrant and profuse, continuing over a long season beginning in spring. They can even take a bit of spring frost without dropping. Evergreen, to 2-3 ft tall and a bit wider, and happy in full sun to part sun with summer water where dry. Definitely frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, and expected well into the upper reaches of zone 7.

$15

Gasteraloe - hybrid

As the name might suggest, these intergeneric hybrids have intriguing characteristics of both. This producing rosettes to 8" of blunted leaves of deep emerald green, of course adorned with white polka dots. Believe it. Light orange flowers produced throughout summer. Slowly spreads via rhizomes and can fill a container quite handily in well-drained soil. Keep dryish in winter. Can take some frost. Alas, only hardy to USDA zone 9a. A most striking container specimen.

$11

Gasteria baylissiana

Very small component of the South African Aloe family, this the typical “plant” collected by Captain Bayliss himself on the northwestern Cape. Each rosette to only 4,” rugose and tinted burgundy. Orange and green flowers shaped, indeed, like cute little stomachs. Frost hardy to low to mid 20’s, mid USDA zone 9. Otherwise, a fabulous container plant.

$11

Geranium phaeum 'Margaret Wilson'

A handsome, variegated cultivar of the easy to grow black widow geranium, this with light green leaves marbled in creamy white toped with purple-lavender flowers beginning in early summer. Forms clumps to 12" tall x 2 ft wide in sun to part shade with protection from afternoon sun in hottest climates. Needs regular summer water for best appearance. Does well in containers flowing easily down the sides Frost hardy in USDA zone 5.

$12

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**Gomphostigma virgatum**

From the Drakensberg region of eastern S. Africa, this buddleja relative grows 4-6' with soft gray leaves of a narrow 1" or so and white warm-season flowers. A plant, unfortunately, people seem to stay away from in droves when in nursery containers, it really is a lovely garden plant. Really. Bright sun, occasional summer water. We cut ours back every year or two to maintain luxuriant growth. Frost hardy to USDA zone 7.

$11

**Grevillea 'Constance'**

Large and bold, winter flowering, evergreen shrub to small tree, to 10 ft or so, and nearly as wide. Leaves are long and narrow, a nice texture with the cheerful, spidery winter flowers of orange-red. Easy in a full sun garden and well-drained soil with little to no supplemental summer water once established. As with all proteas, beware of any fertilizer containing phosphorous. Frost hardy to USDA zone 8.

$14

**Grevillea 'Poorinda Leane'**

One of the Poorinda hybrids, thought to be a cross between *G. juniperina* and a yellow *G. victoriae*. An evergreen shrub, up to 8-10 ft tall and wide. With long leaves- dark green above and silvery on the undersides, and clusters of soft, frilly, yellow to apricot flowers in late winter through spring and occasionally throughout the year. Best in sun and lean, well-drained soil, with little water once established. Can be shaped in mid summer for best appearance. Frost hardy into the low teens F, USDA zone 8.

$16

**Gunnera perpensa**

A "dinosaur" plant for the smaller lizards, this southern hemisphere perennial growing up to 2 ft tall with 6" wavy, green leaves. They love moisture, swampy moisture, in sun to part shade, dying back in the colder months to reappear in spring. Frost hardy in USDA zone 8.

$14

**Gymnocladus chinensis**

Outstanding, deciduous, ornamental tree from China (though endangered in its native habitats--it's on the list of the world's rarest trees) with ferny, bipinnate leaves and an open, airy architectural structure. Similar to locusts in appearance, these trees provide a tropical look in gardens with much more temperate climates, which is something we like! A vigorous species, growing up to 3' a year, expect growth upwards of 80-100' tall with a trunk diameter of 6' over time. Full sun and some summer watering until established. Frost hardy to USDA zone 7, though we think much lower.

$14

**Haworthia venosa var. tessellata - cl. 2**

From the garden route of South Africa's Southern Cape comes this almost triangular-looking succulent with copper-colored leaves and white veination, cleverly matching surrounding stone and other vegetation. To only a couple of inches above the soil surface with 3" "rosettes" spread via rhizomes. Can fill a container with relative speed. Small white flowers produced most often in summer after periodic watering. Well-drained gritty soil. Best in container or warm climate rock garden. USDA zone 9a. Sun for best color.

$9
Hebe 'Mrs. Winder'
Striking and colorful evergreen shrub, the dark green, narrow leaves adding purple highlights in new growth and during cold weather. Late summer flowers are lovely spikes of lavender-purple. To 3 ft tall x 2 ft wide over time in well-drained soil in sun to part sun with regular summer water. Best protected from cold winter winds, but otherwise frost hardy in USDA zone 8.

$9

Hebe 'Silver Dollar'
One of the sweetest hebes around, a glaucophylla type with rounded leaves tinted powder blue and attractively streaked with cream and pink variegations. Evergreen, to only about 2 ft tall and wide, the form is dense and the colors striking. Spring flowers are pale lavender adding even more color. Hebes need good drainage in sun to part sun with summer water. Also one of the hardier hebes, easily accepting USDA zone 8 and fine in zone 7 in the best conditions.

$9

Hedychium gardnerianum - white
White flowered, fragrant hardy ginger -- the ginger of your Tahitian fantasies. To 8 ft tall. Full sun to partial shade and abundant summer water. Root hardy in USDA zone 7 with mulch for protection. Benefits from ample summer warmth for best bloom. Enjoy!

$12

Hedychium greenii red ginger
Rare and spectacular ginger, to 3-5 ft tall x 3-5 ft wide, with red stems, dark green leaves with red undersides, and stunning, orange-red flowers from early summer to fall. After flowers fade, little plantlets are produced for even more of these lovelies. Light shade in hot areas, full sun on the coast. Regular summer water. Frost hardy, resprouting from temperatures as low as 0F, USDA zone 7 with mulch for winter protection.

$16

Helichrysum heldreichii - Hythe Form
The grayest subshrub in our garden at present, growing to a compact 18" tall or so with narrow, indeed gray foliage densely held, look a bit like lavender. Flowers in late spring through the summer, clusters of pale buttons to amongst the foliage. Very easy and striking in bright light with good drainage and a little summer water. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6. This form shared with us by Hythe Alpine Nursery in the United Kingdom.

$11

Helleborus x hybridus - Cistus white strain
Large, clean white flowers, mostly unspotted, with wide overlapping "petals" in broad scalloped or pointed starry shapes. The best from a group in our north garden that shine out from an otherwise leafless area in late winter. These lovely creatures begin flowering as early as December! For part sun to shade in humus rich soil with average summer water. Frost hardy to USDA zone 5.

$24

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Hemerocallis 'Secured Borders'

A stunning, variegated daylily, the grassy leaves appearing in spring with a narrow, green center on a white field, the result of careful breeding over many years by Sybil and Walter Przypek of Virginia. Plants are small, to 12" tall in clumps growing to 18" wide. Into summer yellow flowers appear above the foliage which has turned to green in the warm weather. A lovely plant and a collector's dream. For full to part sun with regular summer water. Frost hardy in USDA zone 3.

$16

Xanthorrhoeaceae

Heuchera 'Green Spice'

Another fabulous coral bell, this with silvery-over-green leaves marked with dark purple veins. A small perennial, to only 12 " tall x 15" wide, with 24", flower spikes of white bells in late spring to early summer, and, during the cooler, winter months, even some pinkish tones to the leaves. Grow in sun to part sun with some summer water, especially in sun. Frost hardy USDA zone 4.

$10

Saxifragaceae

Heuchera 'Marmalade'

Amber colored Heuchera with longevity. Rich ruffled foliage with golden-green and pinkish amber tones. Leaves having bright pink undersides as well. Does well in Sun to Shade. Blooms in late spring. USDA zone 4

$10

Saxifragaceae

Heuchera 'Obsidian'

Can you have too many black plants? No. Stunning black leaves and a compact mounding growth habit make this an awesome plant for large drifts or a mixed container. Plant in sun or part shade for deepest color. 10in tall and 16in wide. You know you gotta have it. USDA Zone 6

$10

Saxifragaceae

Hoheria lyallii

Mountain Ribbonwood

One of the few small deciduous trees in New Zealand to produce pleasing autumn color. This, our collection, from the interior highlands of the South Island, to about 8-10', with almost nasturtium-like lobed leaves and summer white flowers in abundance. Plant in well-drained, dampish soil, preferably away from blasting sun. Hardy to USDA zone 7. Medium growth rate.

$12

Malvaceae

Holboellia coriacea

China blue vine

This evergreen akebia relation is an excellent trellis or fence cover, reaching 15-20 ft or so, with twining stems and dense, leathery, dark green, trifoliate leaves. In early spring it is covered with cascades of sweetly scented, tiny flowers -- purplish for male flowers, and greenish for females -- followed, under the right conditions, by plum colored, fleshy fruit. Best in part to full shade -- needing some sun to produce flowers -- with consistent moisture. Cold hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7 or lower.

$14

Lardizabalaceae

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Hosta 'Blue Mouse Ears'

This super-cute hosta is a mutation of H. ‘Blue Cadet’, proving that sometimes a little mutation is good. In this form small silver-blue leaves, slightly rolled at the edges, form rounded clumps, to 8" tall x 1 ft wide, topped in early summer with short, sweet spikes of lavender flowers. Best in light shade to shade where the soil is rich and summer water is regularly supplied. Frost hardy to -40F, USDA zones 3.

$16

Liliaceae / Asparagaceae
Houttuynia cordata 'Chameleon'

Brightly colored perennial with variegated leaves, in shades of red, pink, yellow, and cream, on red stems. Aromatic too, when crushed. Mid-spring flowers are tiny and green but the petal like bracts are showy and white. A vigorous spreader that should be planted where the rooting rhizomes can be restrained -- e.g. by sidewalks or buildings, etc. To 1-2 ft tall. Enjoys medium to very wet soils, even boggy conditions, in sun to full shade. Frost hardy in USDA zone 4.

$8

Saururaceae
Hydrangea aspera 'Red Fred'

A striking plant that has appeared from both Japan and China of late presenting 6-8", beautifully felted leaves colored burgundy on the undersides and, in spring, large flattened sprays of fertile flowers from white to pale blue. These deciduous shrubs easily reach 6-8 ft, tall enough to be lifted, e.g., trimmed up to expose the contrast of golden, flaking bark and the striking leaf undersides. Prefers a moist situation with dappled shade. Frost hardy to 5F, USDA zone 7b.

$18

Hydrangeaceae
Hydrangea serrata 'Golden Sunlight' PPAF
golden mountain hydrangea

Deciduous shrub, to 5 ft tall and wide, with foliage emerging clear yellow in spring and turning soft green in late summer. Primarily grown for the bright foliage, the lacecap flowers are white but rather sparse. Accepts full sun without burning in all but the harshest light and tolerates shade as well. Bred by H. Kolster, Netherlands in 1995. Supplemental summer water. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5.

$14

Hydrangeaceae
Ilex aquifolium 'Ferox Argentea'
silver hedgehog holly

Hedgehog holly is definitely an appropriate name for this spiny, variegated creature, with green leaves edged in creamy white that includes sharp points on the leaf margins and spines on the upper surface of leaves. Makes This male clone doesn't produce berries so can't become a nuisance. Evergreen and tough -- up to 15 ft tall x 8 ft wide though easily kept smaller -- and a handsome and very effective barrier, screen, or accent plant. Fine in sun or shade with summer water at least to establish. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6. Said to be deer resistant.

$14

Aquifoliaceae
Ilex crenata 'Golden Gem'
golden japanese holly

A petite, golden form of an otherwise vastly overused little holly, this -- rarely exceeding 18” (but has been seen at 3 ft in dark alleys) -- has a clean golden appearance and dense growth habit. Good rock garden plant, container specimen, or bonsai, able to withstand a multitude of garden conditions though prefers decent winter drainage and protection from the hottest sun in hottest places. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5.

$14

Aquifoliaceae
Ilex x 'Mary Nell'
Given to us by the late J.C. Raulston and name after the great holly man himself, Tom Dodd, comes this fairly rapid-growing hybrid, which forms an 8-10' pyramidal shape in a few years and then slowly marches to 20-25'. Leaves have a most interesting ruffled texture and gloss, giving it an almost artificial appearance. Excellent screen, easily hedged, but we think it's better looking if you don't. USDA zone 7, possibly 6. Sun to 3/4 shade. Give it a little extra water in summer dry places. Excellent container specimen.

$12

Ilex x attenuata 'Sunny Foster #2'
One of a large group of most attractive hybrids, this pyramidal shrub to very small tree, eventually reaches 8-12 ft with 2” glossy leaves of the brightest golden-yellow aging spring-green, giving the entire plant a velvety two-tone effect. The brighter the light the more the contrast, unless you live in Phoenix in which case brown would add to the mix. Good garden focal point for vertical effect. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, or even upper zone 6. Some summer water in driest climates and for best leaf color.

$14

Illicium parviflorum 'Florida Sunshine'
Golden yellow form of the Florida sweet anis selected from a vast array of seedlings by plantsman Tony Avent. Native of the southeast United States but seems to thrive anywhere (excepts deserts) in USDA zone 7 or above. To 5-6 ft tall. Burgundy flowers are quite a contrast to the foliage. Plant in dappled or at least afternoon shade to maintain foliage color. Best in well-drained soil with summer water in dry places.

$15

Impatiens omeiana
A handsome, hardy dwarf impatiens, winter deciduous, with cream-yellow flowers hidden by the handsomely variegated foliage. Reaches 8-10” tall and spreads slowly but has not seeded around. Part shade to shade with regular moisture. Very well behaved and frost hardy, resprouting in USDA zone 7, and possibly lower, with mulch.

$12

Impatiens omeiana - silver and green
A diminutive, wide-leaved form of this somewhat uncommon species from China’s Mt. Omei, this form with green leaves dusted silver and golden flowers beginning late summer and lasting to fall. Another lovely impatiens from Mr. Impatiens himself, Derick Pitman. Easy to grow in light to heavy shade if kept moist - the deeper the shade the more silver the leaves. Perennial and frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$14

Impatiens omeiana 'Silver Pink'
This wonderful new selection of the Mt. Omei impatiens spreads slowly into a dense colony of 6" bronzy stems and gorgeous leaves in a dark bronzy green sprinkled with silver, like fairy dust, with central veins in pink that darkens and spills into the leaf. Yum. Mustard to salmon flowers make a great contrast from late summer to frost. Shade to deep shade in moist soil with, of course, summer water. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$16

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Impatiens stenantha

Exciting and surprisingly frost hardy impatiens from the mountains of China's Yunnan province, a trailing creature with green, ruffle-edged leaves, green tinged with red, and lovely yellow flowers with curling tails and spotted red throats, the flowers held above the foliage for maximum enjoyment from spring to fall. Best with coolish conditions in bright shade with average summer moisture. Not expected to enjoy intense heat or humidity. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7!

$11

Balsaminaceae

Incarvillea arguta

himalayan gloxinia

A perennial sub shrub, these from seed wild-collected in Yunnan Province in China. Eventually to to 2-4 ft tall with a woody base, the foliage is large and handsome, with leaves that are much divided and fern-like. Flowers are pale pink trumpets resembling a Penstemon and appearing in mid summer through early fall. Prefers gritty, neutral soil; tolerates other conditions but requires excellent drainage. Sun to part shade. Drought tolerant but accepts regular water -- with that good drainage. Frost hardy in USDA zones 8-10.

$12

Bignoniaceae

Indigofera kirilowii 'Alba'

Tall-growing pea family arching shrub, treated as perennial, with about 3' of growth each year. Our form, sent to us from Japan, with late spring or summer through autumn starchy-white flowers. Handsome. USDA zone 7 or colder as a perennial. Deciduous. Enjoys summer moisture, at least occasionally, with non-swampy soil.

$12

Fabaceae

Iochroma australe SBH 6129

mini angel's trumpet

A wonderful shrubby angel's trumpet (previously Acnistus australis.) This form, collected by Sean in Argentina, produces a profusion, indeed a plethora of dark blue, bellflowers hanging from each branch in spring and early summer, outstanding against the pale bark and dark leaves. These deciduous shrubs reach 6-8 ft tall and nearly as wide if left untrimmed. For sun to part shade, flowering best with summer moisture but tolerant of drought once established. Can be coppiced to maintain compactness but the winter structure of nearly white branchlets is an additional attraction. Root hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, and evergreen in zone 9, 20F and above.

$11

Solanaceae

Itea ilicifolia

holly leaved sweetspire

Foot long, fragrant racemes of tiny, greenish white flowers drip down in summer from this graceful, 10 ft, evergreen shrub with its soft, holly-like leaves. Bees love it. You will, too, in the background, as a specimen or an effective screen. For shade or part sun with protection from the afternoon sun in hottest places. Prefers rich soil and regular summer water. Frost hardy to 5F, mid USDA zone 7.

$12

Iteaceae

Jasminum nudiflorum 'Aureum'

golden winter jasmine

Rare, diminutive form of the winter jasmine, reaching to less than 4 ft tall but bright with yellow-splashed leaves and, before the leaves appear, the same yellow flowers as the species in late winter to early spring. The willowy stems are attractive as well in winter. Beautiful year round for espalier, hanging baskets, or ground cover. Flowers best in bright light, sun to part shade. Very drought tolerant once established. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6.

$11

Oleaceae
**Lampranthus 'Hot Flash'**

Petite shrubby mesem from the oh-so-rich flora of South Africa. This selection maintains pleasing gray-green leaves on plants only about 8-12" in height with purple-red flowers in abundance in spring, summer, and occasionally throughout the year. Alas, only hardy to the lower reaches of zone 9 or above 20 degrees F but superb container plant, bonsai, or large-scale jewelry. Full sun and mineral soil.

$8

**Aizoaceae**

**Ledebouria cooperi**

cooper's false scilla

Sweet and easy bulb from South Africa with 4", narrow, olive-green leaves, upright and marked with purple stripes and spots. Decorative in themselves, and more so in spring when adorned with racemes of pink, scilla-like flowers. Spreads slowly to form a 1 ft wide clump. Easy in the garden in sun or part shade where good drainage can protect from too much winter wet. Tolerates some summer drought but accepts summer water as well. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$12

**Asparagaceae**

**Ledebouria socialis**

silver squill

Small, South African plant, to 6” x 8” with fancy, strappy leaves of silver-gray “leopard spotted” with green rising from red bulbs just above the soil. Greeny white flowers are a winter addition. Loves well-drained soil in sun or, in hottest climates, a bit of shade. Needs to dry out between waterings and tolerates some drought. Frost hardy in the ground into the upper teens F, USDA zone 8b. Easily grown in pots or indoors on the windowsill.

$11

**Liliaceae**

**Leptospermum lanigerum - purple leaf form**

woolly tea tree

Spring flowering tea tree with handsome, darkish blue leaves infused with purple, rather than the silver blue of the straight species. Similarly small and fragrant when crushed or brushed, and is a perfect backdrop for the 1", single, white, fragrant flowers in early summer. Evergreen, reaching 5-10 ft tall x 3-5 ft wide in full sun to light shade where soil is well-drained. Needs little summer water once established. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$12

**Myrtaceae**

**Leptospermum rupestrre 'Highland Pink'**

alpine tea tree

A new and welcome alpine tea tree selection with gorgeous pale pink flowers with dark pink centers and flowering reliably from late spring into summer. Endemic to highland mountains of Tasmania, where this one takes its name, these tough evergreen shrubs make great prostrate specimens in the alpine garden. They can also make handsome upright shrubs in subalpine or coastal areas. Happy in almost any well-drained soil. Expect slow growth, eventually reaching 3-5' tall and 5-6' wide, a bit larger than the species. Full sun. Drought tolerant and deerproof. Frost hardy to USDA zone 8.

$9

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Libertia ixioides 'Taupo After Lunch'

A Cistus introduction. This appeared for us as a sport in one of our batches of Taupo seedlings. From a pleasing orangey plant came this solidly olive-green with burgundy tint. To about 14" by 2' wide, the color is perfect for a sun to part shade garden where one might take a long nice afternoon nap. Not on the plants, of course, cuz you would crush them. Spring and early summer flowers are white and float pleasingly above the dark foliage. Fine container plant and useful in the occasionally-watered garden. Vigorous. USDA zone 8a. More sun equals darker color.

$9

Libertia ixioides UCSC

$9

Lonicera japonica 'Gold Nancy'

A Cistus introduction. This golden sport, occurring in our own garden, has retained all the vigorous characteristics of L. japonica without the propensities for leaf loss of L. japonica 'Aureoreticulata'. Reaching to 6 or 8 ft with uniform, warm golden leaves on orange-red stems and the typical, yellow-cream flowers. This has been a beautiful addition to the honeysuckle world. For nearly full sun to dappled shade, the leaves appearing more towards chartreuse in shady conditions. Occasional summer water is desired. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6 at least. Named for Nancy Goldman, Portland plantswoman and lover of all things shiny or golden.

$14

Lonicera nitida 'Lemon Beauty'

lemon beauty box-leaf honeysuckle

If you are going to commit a horticultural faux pas, you might as well do it with this. Evergreen shrub, to 4-6 ft with tiny green leaves edged yellow, remaining so in a bit of shade; variegation becomes less distinct, more overall yellow, in brightest light. ‘Lemon Beauty’ makes a very nice low hedge. As a single plant, it shines. Sun to part shade with normal water. Frost hardy in USDA zone 6.

$12

Lonicera nitida 'Twiggy'

dwarf box honeysuckle

Sweet version of a classic, landscape plant with tiny golden leaves that hold their color well. Smaller than the species, growing slowly to 2 ft tall and wide, dense and, indeed, twiggy, these are excellent as hedging, border plants, or single specimens creating a bright spot in sun to part shade with average summer water. A New Zealand introduction, evergreen to 10F, USDA zone 8, and cold hardy to -20F, zone 6.

$12

Lophomyrtus obcordata - Taringatua, SI, NZ

$14

Loropetalum chinense 'Snow Dance'

Hassle free and easy witch-hazel relative, this one with white flowers and green leaves and a bit more frost hardy than its purple-leaved cousins. Evergreen and developing into a large shrub or small tree, to 6-8 ft if left on its own, but easily pruned to any size. New leaves emerge with red-maroon tips fading to lime. In spring, white, fringe-like flowers cover the foliage. Rich soil in full to part sun with regular summer water. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$14

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Luma apiculata
From a delightful South American genus of myrtaceous shrubs and small trees, this one reaching 8-12 ft with shiny round leaves, honey scented white flowers and reddish to purplish to black fruit often used in preserves and eating out of hand. One of the most striking features is the white, cream, and pink patterns that develops on the trunks as plants age. Often found growing nearly in small creeks but able as well to withstand drought. This form was collected in southern Chile and should be among the hardier of the group withstanding low teens F, mid USDA zone 8, with no damage. Where temperatures are likely to fall lower, place out of wind or possibly consider moving to a better climate.

$12

Myrtaceae

Lysimachia paridiformis var. stenophylla DJHC 704
Dan Hinkley's collection from China's Emei Shan from whence have come so many exciting plants, this is a striking, evergreen perennial with dense clusters of golden-yellow flowers all summer long atop stems to 10" tall or more. Forms well-behaved clumps of whorled foliage, the leaves dark green and shiny with hints of bronze, in sun or part shade where soil is well-drained and some summer water is provided. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$12

Primulaceae

Magnolia grandiflora 'Bracken's Brown Beauty'
Considered one of the best Southern Magnolia cultivars by many horticulturalists--and also one of the most cold hardy--this one with somewhat narrower leaves, shorter but more numerous branching, and a very dense, erect shape. Backs of the leaves are deep brown, thus the name, and flowers are large, fragrant, and saucer-shaped. Overall, we concur, a very nice selection. Height to 30-50' and width to 15-20'. Full sun with rich, moist soil. Evergreen. Frost hardy to USDA zone 7.

$14

Magnoliaceae

Magnolia grandiflora 'Edith Bogue'
Considered one of the best Southern Magnolias for the Pacific Northwest, this medium to large evergreen Magnolia cultivar displays a broad, spreading habit, lustrous pointed leaves, and large, ivory-white, fragrant flowers that are followed by large, festive seed cones, perfect for the holidays. Slow grower, to 15-18' tall and 10-12' wide. Full to part sun in moist, compost-rich soil. Excellent specimen plant. Frost hardy to USDA zone 7.

$14

Magnoliaceae

Magnolia laevifolia - large form
Received as Michelia crassipes, this is clearly a steroidal form of the very lovely Magnolia laevifolia, larger in all its parts -- to 20 -30 ft tall x 10-15 ft wide with 4" leaves, the undersides clothed in coppery indumentum as are the stems and flowers buds, and abundant, sweetly fragrant white flowers in late winter and spring and often again in autumn. Successful and happy in full sun to part shade with regular summer water. Frost hardy to at least 10F, USDA zone 8. (As mentioned elsewhere, originally named Michelia yunnanensis, then Magnolia dianica, and finally, we hope, M. laevifolia.)

$18

Magnoliaceae

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Maianthemum aff. flexuosum JSM

The Fan Xi Pan collection from Portland's own Josh McCullough from upper and mid elevation woodland. To 10-12" tall with crisped, folded, and otherwise velvety green leaves spreading to form small colonies with flowers, somewhat insignificant unless you are one of its pollinators. For us the beauty has been its "evergreenosity" for the last few years. Shade to semi-shade in rich moist soil. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$14  Asparagaceae

Maianthemum sp. JSM

$14  Asparagaceae

Maihuenia poeppigii - Lowrey clone

Collected as seed 30 years ago by the Lowrey of rock garden fame, this southern Chilean cactus, appearing on volcanic slopes amid monkey puzzles and flame trees, grows to a 6” high by 3 ft wide mound with tiny fingers adorned with rice-grain-sized leaves. Cheery yellow flowers occur in spring. An easy plant, requiring full sun, good drainage, and occasional summer water for quicker growth. A fine container or pot specimen or in the rock garden or rock wall. We have ours growing with the hardy bromeliad, Fascicularia bicolor for great contrast. Expected frost hardy to USDA zone 5.

$15  Cactaceae

Manfreda 'Macho Mocha'

Possibly a hybrid between Manfreda jaliscana and Agave scabra, this nearly 2 ft plant, from the semi-desert canyons just over the mountains from Monterey, Mexico, boasts deep purple leaves with, indeed, coffee-colored polka dots over the entire plant. For sun, good drainage, and average summer water. Evergreen to 20F and root hardy into the low teens, USDA zone 8.

$14  Amaryllidaceae

Metapanax delavayi  delavay false ginseng

A truly elegant, evergreen aralia relative from Southern China, a shrub to 8-10 ft tall and wide, with finely cut, compound leaves and, in maturity, clusters of white flowers in late summer turning to black berries, winter food for the birds. Best in dappled sun to partial shade in rich, moist soil. Our clone, from the University of Washington Arboretum in Seattle, is frost hardy and undamaged in upper USDA zone 7 and possibly lower. (Synonym: Nothopanax delavayi)

$14  Araliaceae

Mimulus lewisii - orange  lewis' monkeyflower

$9  Phrymaceae /

Muehlenbeckia complexa 'Tricolor'  tricolor wire grass

A variegated version of the useful, ground-covering wire grass, the leaves splashed with green, white, and pink on dark, wiry stems to only 6” in height, spreading slowly. Evergreen, forming dense mats in sun to part shade in almost any soil but needing some summer water where particularly dry. Very good around steps or larger specimens such as New Zealand flax. Also successful in containers. Frost hardy to 8F, upper edge of USDA zone 7. Sometimes sold as M. axillaris.

$11  Polygonaceae

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Musella lasiocarpa
This banana relative is more shrub-like than its kin, with sprays of 3-6 ft tall stalks of gray-green foliage until frost. Once its feels established, a bright yellow flower the size of a softball will appear and remain all summer long, sometimes producing tiny little bananas. Flowering shoots die back to be replaced with new, vigorous stems. Best in sun to part sun with regular summer water. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$14  Musaceae

Myrtus communis 'Andy Van'
A very hardy garden form of myrtle from Newberg, Oregon. Compact shrub with glossy green leaves and pink tinged white flowers followed by purple berries. Full sun; not much water. Good drought tolerance. Easily frost hardy in USDA zone 8 and has survived into the single digits, zone 7a with some protection.

$14  Myrtaceae

Neolitsea sericea- Cliff Parks Coll.
It's all about the leaves of this hardy, evergreen tree. Copper tomentose when emerging, the tops turn glossy green and the bottoms a glaucous blue that complements the silvery bark. They are fragrant as well. Reaches 15 ft or so developing a layered umbrella shape. Mid spring flowers are yellow and fragrant in small clusters. Part to full sun with summer water. This form, originally from South Korea, has been frost hardy to -8F, USDA zone 6.

$18  Lauraceae

Nerine sarniensis 'Brilliant'
Delightful rich dark pink flowered amaryllis relative from eastern South Africa, adapted to dry or wet summers provided good drainage and bright sun. Summer dormant, the flowers emerge "nekked" in September-November and leaves appear again in December and January. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, but may lose leaves in the upper teens F. Add mulch for winter protection.

$14  Amaryllidaceae

Nerine sarniensis 'Caryatid' guernsey lily
A favorite of ours, an old-fashioned hybrid but one not often seen, this Guernsey lily has substantial blue-green leaves and, in autumn, eye-catching, lipstick-orange flowers with an almost crystalline quality. These South African natives have a long summer dormancy only to be awakened by the first cool weather of late summer or early autumn and flower often while the leaves are just beginning to emerge. For bright light and decent drainage. Fertilize in autumn. This, probably the most tender species, should be grown outside where temperatures rarely hit 20F, bottom of USDA zone 9, but this and others are downright addictive as pot specimens.

$12  Amaryllidaceae

Nerium oleander 'Hardy White' hardy white oleander
The hardiest of the oleander clones in cultivation, these with pure white flowers on 4-6 ft, evergreen shrubs. Full sun, bright and blasty, is what they like without requiring a great deal of supplemental irrigation in summer. Undamaged when temperatures dip to the mid teens, mid USDA zone 8, though the leaves can burn around 14F. Plants have resprouted from the low single digits in zone 7.

$14  Apocynaceae

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**Nolina ['La Siberica' strain]**

A Cistus introduction. The original plants selected from seed collected at 8000 ft, in La Siberica, Mexico with recent plants grown from the seed of these handsome plants that form a symmetrical fountain of long, graceful, flowing leaves, eventually developing a trunk up to 6 ft tall. Definitely attracts attention in the Cistus garden. Enjoys full sun and requires very little summer water. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$12  

**Asparagaceae**

**Nolina microcarpa SBH 6726**  

bear grass

Beautiful, tufted, liliaceous perennial, to 4 to 5 ft high and wide, that retains its dark green luster throughout the winter. The leaf are long ribbons with tips edged in a curled “doodad,” making them even more interesting when backlit. The inflorescences are narrow, reaching 8 ft or more, with clusters of small white flowers looking vaguely pampas grassy. Drought tolerant though faster growing with regular summer water and happy in full sun and lean soil. This collection from one of my favorite places -- above Jerome, Arizona at over 8,000 ft. The frost hardness should allow cultivation in areas of cold at the lower edges of USDA zone 5, possibly much colder with snow cover.

$15  

**Agavaceae**

**Nolina nelsonii x Dasylirion wheeleri**

Sent to us by plantsman Jeff Anderson these are the result of "traffic" between two plants in his garden producing a rather large, to 6 ft, rosette, of sparsely toothed leaves. We don't yet know what their variability would be but they should be of a more robust texture than the dasylirion and possibly faster growing. Best in full sun and pushed with a little summer moisture in summer dry places, avoiding ground that remains soggy in winter -- shouldn't we all?. Should be fully frost hardy to the single digits F, USDA zone 7b.

$12  

**Agavaceae**

**Nolina texana**  
texas sacahuista

A bigger, bolder version of the somewhat more common and varied N. microcarpa. This Texas native grows to a bold textured 5 ft with deep green arching leaves and creamy white flower spikes rising to 8 ft or more in spring and summer. Exceedingly drought tolerant but a little summer water would increase its growth rate. Sun to dappled shade. Frost hardy to about 0F, USDA zone 7, or even a little below.

$15  

**Agavaceae**

**Odontonema tubaeforme**  

firespike, cardinal guard

Panicles of bright red flowers, tiny tubes with flared lips, appear in late summer into winter -- perfect hummingbird food for the late season. To 6 ft tall with 4-5” dark green, oblong leaves with wavy margins form mounding, these form woody-stemmed shrubs in USDA zone 10 and above, behaving as die-back perennials in zones 8 and 9. From Central America in somewhat open, moist areas, these prefer full sun to part shade and, though willing to accept some summer drought especially once established, prefer damp soil and regular summer moisture. Loved by hummingbirds, butterflies, and the less welcome garden visitor, deer. Perhaps there would be enough for all.

$14  

**Acanthaceae**
Olea europaea 'Ascolana Dura'
A top contender for commercial fruit production in cooler coastal climates and the Willamette Valley. Ornamental too. 20 ft+  Weeping branches, strap-shaped leaves with a dusty yellow reverse, and attractive early fruit. Water to establish; withhold in late summer to harden. Sun in fertile soil. USDA zone 8; quite probably 7.

$18

Oleaceae

Olea europaea 'Vassilika'
A Black Sea varietal, a pretty tree, to 15-20 ft tall, with a vigorous upright form enhanced by leaves also held upright in an attractive pattern, reflecting light beautifully in our Mediterranean garden. As with most olive, best in sun, fertile and well-drained soil, and water to establish. Withholding water in later summer allows plants to harden off in anticipation of cold weather. Very frost tolerant, probably to 0F, USDA zone 7, but fruit might ripen best in hotter climates.

$14

Oleaceae

Olearia hammularifolia

Asteraceae

Olearia macrodonta var. minor
A shrubby daisy-on-a-stick from New Zealand, this one smaller than the species, reaching only 3 ft tall and as wide with soft green, crinkle-textured leaves and corymbs of white flowers in the summer. Like the species, aging bark peels in graceful strips. Full sun is best with well-drained soil and average summer water. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$12

Asteraceae

Olearia paniculata
daisy bush
This medium-sized, New Zealand shrub, multi-trunked to 8-10 ft tall, thrives in full to half sun with regular summer water producing white, fragrant, daisy flowers in autumn. Frankly, the evergreen foliage is so great -- the leathery, yellow-green leaves having white undersides and wavy margins -- who cares if it flowers? Makes a dense and useful hedge. Needs well-drained soil and summer water in sun to part shade. Somewhat more tender than its relatives; frost hardy in mid USDA zone 8.

$12

Asteraceae

Olearia x capillaris
Handsome evergreen shrub, to 7 ft high and somewhat wide, with roundish, shiny, silvery leaves on reddish new stems. Clusters of white, daisy-like flowers appear in June. A naturally occurring hybrid between O. arborescens and O. quinquevulnera, this handsome plant prefers damp soil in sun to part shade. Frost hardy to 16F, upper USDA zone 8.

$12

Asteraceae
**Ophiopogon jaburan 'Vittatus'**  
Giant striped mondo grass  
Large, even "giant," mondo grass, with narrow, arching leaves striped green and white, forming clumps to 1.5-2.5 ft tall and wide, and, in late summer, arching stems stand above the foliage topped with racemes of white flowers that turn to pea-shaped, blue-violet fruits that stand out against the paler leaves. Does best in morning sun and rich, well-drained soil with regular summer water. A sparkling, evergreen groundcover for part shade. Frost hardy to at least 0°F, USDA zone 7, with reports of survival at lower temperatures. Also sold as *O. jaburan 'Variegata'*

$14  
Liliaceae / Asparagaceae

**Ophiopogon japonicus 'Silver Comet'**  
Snake beard  
Cheerful, evergreen mondo grass with tallish, grassy leaves, to 8" tall or so, green with fine white stripes. Summer flowers are white, echoing the variegation, and followed by blue berries. Spreads slowly by underground rhizomes, making small, bright clumps in part sun with regular summer water. Frost hardy to -10°F, USDA zone 6.

$12  
Liliaceae / Asparagaceae

**Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Nigrescens'**  
Black mondo grass  
In the garden, purple and black have become the new beige, dark colors being the perfect contrast and background for just about anything. This small lily relative grows only to about 6" in height, spreading contentedly if given plenty of moisture. The black, evergreen leaves and small lilac flowers make any brightly colored object stand out and look wonderful with your new Goth look -- white powdered makeup not included. Full sun to deep shade; a bit slow growing either way. Frost hardy in upper USDA zone 6.

$11  
Liliaceae / Asparagaceae

**Opuntia 'Candelaria Flame'**  
A Cistus introduction, from a most variable population in south central Nevada, where these shaggy creatures can vary from gold to white to silver to red. Named for both the nearby small town and the color of its sign, this form of *Opuntia erinacea* var. *ursina* 'Candelaria' stood out after an October rain with its brilliant auburn spines, exquisitely back-lit in the autumn sun. Slow to reproduce, adding only a pad or two at a time. These enjoy sharp drainage in full sun avoiding overly saturated winter soil. A very long lasting pot specimen. Frost hardy to -10°F, USDA zone 5.

$15  
Cactaceae

**Opuntia 'Cyclops'**  
Cyclops prickly pear  
Though the name has been around a long time, this plant's origins are unclear. We do know this is a cute little prickly pear to 1 ft or 18" in height, probably having *O. macrorhiza* in its ancestry, with rounded pads of 4-6" forming tight clusters with dark bunches of spines appearing as polka dots from a distance. Cheery yellow flowers appear in mid to late spring. Good for container or sunny garden. And, as one would expect, very drought tolerant though west of the Sierra or Cascades would like a drink from the hose once in a while to spur growth. Frost hardy to -30°F, USDA zone 4.

$12  
Cactaceae

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Opuntia 'Dark Knight'  
This striking opuntia, a Claude Barr selection, has long white spines on distinctive pads of purple green, becoming more purple in winter cold. Colorful and even more so in late spring to early summer when the bright, lavender-pink flowers with golden stamens first appear. To 10" tall x 4 ft wide in sun and lean, well-drained soil. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.  
$12  

Opuntia 'Golden Globe'  
A Cistus introduction. From one of our favorite cactus habitats not far north of the aptly named Cactus Mountain Oregon, we believe actually named for particularly large specimens of pediocactus growing on its flanks. This selection from an obviously hybrid colony (parents = Opuntia polyanantha x erinacea var. columbiana) has shaggy upright pads to about 5" creating clumps 8-10" high by 3-4 ft wide with densely petalled flowers of undulating gold yellow, the orange stamens combining to create quite a show. Careful drainage is a must with these cliff dwellers and full sun. More summer drought tolerant than other prickly pears. Probably frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.  
$15  

Opuntia 'Golden Lion'  
This natural hybrid between Opuntia davisii and O. kleinii, found in the Davis mountains of western Texas, creates a small cholla-like shrub to 3 ft with golden spines – rather obnoxious ones at that -- and pea-green flowers that age to yellow. Frost hardy to -20 F, USDA zone 5, and possibly lower with sharp drainage and full sun.  
$14  

Opuntia 'Peach Chiffon'  
A wonderful new strain of prickly pear with a profusion of silky, peach colored flowers in June on very compact plants, to under 6" tall forming clumps to 30" wide. An extremely prickly creature for full sun to light shade in well-drained soil. Drought tolerant but happily accepts occasional water. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.  
$14  

Opuntia 'Red Gem'  
A gorgeous little prickly pear given to us by Colorado's Kelly Grummons and we could find no better description than this with hopefully enough credit due: "An apparent hybrid between O. basilaris or O. aurea with O. fragilis! To 4" high x 18" wide, with small, round, 2-3" wide pads that have very short spines and are fragile (pads break off easily). The petite, deep pinkish red flowers in June are abundant. Beautiful in the rock garden or in containers. Fergusen thinks this MAY be Opuntia polyanantha v. schweriniana … still a mystery." Frost hardy to -30, USDA Zone 4.  
$12  

Opuntia 'Smithwick'  
$12
**Opuntia 'Sunset'**

A most attractive variegated prickly pear with but few spines and striking green, cream, and yellow stripes on each pad. The plant often tinted orange in sun or with winter frost. To about 3 x 3 feet in as many years. The mexican origin dictates hardiness only to the bottom of zone 9, possibly 8 if super duper dry. Excellent container plant and not particularly water sensitive.

$16

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**Opuntia acanthocarpa 'High Ho Silver'**

Introduced by cactus maven, Sarah McCombs, this 5 ft cholla, with 2” stems clothed in brilliant, silver-white spines, makes an outstanding garden or pot specimen especially where backlit by the sun. Extremely drought tolerant but fastest growing with occasional summer thunderstorms… even those from hoses. Tolerates temperatures a little below 0F with ease, upper USDA zone 6. Best not planted near helium balloons but, otherwise, very easygoing.

$15

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**Opuntia aff. columbiana IB 06 - H65**

Collected by plantsman Ian Barclay near Naches, WA where the forms of small padded opuntias are numerous and varied. This form has small, flattened, 1" pads producing downward pointed golden spines and pleasing yellow flowers on clumps to 3-4" tall and spreading. We thank Ian for finding this clone; we love it! More tolerant of winter moisture than many other opuntias and a good pot specimen. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4, or below if that is possible.

$11

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**Opuntia aurea 'Coombes Winter Glow'**

Old opuntia selection that is very hardy but, for unknown reasons, now much harder to find. We like it for the unassuming green pads that turn dark red-purple to nearly black in cold weather. To 2 ft tall and up to 3 ft wide with cerise flowers appearing in June. Tough and easy in lean, well-drained soil with lots of sun and little summer water. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$11

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**Opuntia aurea 'Golden Carpet'**

A spineless form of the creeping beavertail shared with us by Kelly Grummons, with upright blue-gray pads with tiny glochids forming chains across sandy areas in its native habitat, making it particularly attractive in both rock gardens and containers. Bright yellow flowers are one of the earliest to appear and one of the last to finish of all species. A variety that always draws a great deal of attention. Often reblooms in July. To 6" high x 36" wide. Frost hardy in USDA Zone 5.

$12

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**Opuntia basilaris 'Isabella Blue'**

A Cistus Introduction: This particularly attractive beavertail with a very light golden pattern of glochids and powdery blue stems comes from a unique spot near Lake Isabella growing among oaks and pines in more typical California oak woodland (rather than in the Mojave Desert). That makes this plant capable of withstanding long periods of summer drought AND a good winter soaking. Strawberry colored flowers in mid spring. To 12-18" in height and 2-3 feet wide (wider if kicked around by cattle as in its native habitat). Careful drainage, bright light. Zone 5.

$12

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**Opuntia basilaris 'Kellys Choice'**

This charming beavertail cactus hybrid from Mountain States Nursery grows to 3-4 ft with the rounded soft pads of O. basilaris but the upright form and purple tinting of O. santa-rita. Free-flowering in a deep rose-red in mid to late spring. These plants makes fine container specimens or they can be grown outside above USDA zone 5 in bright light and very sharp drainage.

$15  

**Cactaceae**


**Opuntia basilaris 'Peachy'**  

beavertail cactus

This beavertail cactus, a native from the Mohave desert of California into northern Sonora, was given to us from an old Albuquerque garden and has been one of the best performers. Attractive clumps, from 3-4 ft wide and 18” in height, with 6” pads of powdery blue-tinted-pink, burgundy in winter, and, indeed, peachy pink flowers in spring and early summer. Though a clone more tolerant of garden water, they still prefer well-drained, gritty soil, especially where winters are wet …and an occasional thunderstorm, artificial or not, in dry summer climates. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$12  

**Cactaceae**


**Opuntia basilaris 'Sara's Compact'**  

beavertail cactus

One of many fabulous beavertail cactus selections, this is a lovely semi-dwarf form, reaching an eventual 18” with soft, pinkish-gray pads covered in colorful orange-red glochids -- not to be licked! -- and deep rose flowers. This cultivar was selected by Sara McComb. Plant in full sun in mineral soil where drainage is sharp. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5.

$16  

**Cactaceae**


**Opuntia basilaris var. aurea - Garfield City, UT**

$13  

**Cactaceae**


**Opuntia basilaris var. aurea - Zion National Park [David**

$13  

**Cactaceae**


**Opuntia basilaris var. brachyclada - San Bernardino County**

$14  

**Cactaceae**


**Opuntia basilaris var. heilii - Type local**  

beavertail cactus

Named for botanist Ken Heil and collected from the northeastern population of the beavertail cactus. This clone, found growing in heavy alkaline soil in south central Utah and collected via a single pad years ago by plantsman Tim Hanis, produces dense clusters of blue-bodied plants, rather short on glochids, a good thing! It has been our favorite so far growing robustly and producing abundant, warm pink flowers in late spring. Easy in in the ground or container provided full sun and good drainage. Frost hardy to at least -30F, USDA zone 4.

$12  

**Cactaceae**


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Opuntia basilaris var. ramosa  
beavertail cactus

This far western Mohavian form of one of our favorite beavertails was found many years ago -- possibly an intermediate between the typical brachyclada form. Unfortunately collectors wiped out the colony seemingly within seconds of its discovery. Though we weren't among the collectors, propagules did get around, so here it is -- a pretty thing with each pad under 3”, each one stepped atop another and each clump to about 18” tall. Good in containers or in the dry garden. Frost hardy in USDA zone 5.

$12  

Opuntia echinocarpa 'Portal Blonde'  
wiggin's cholla

A Cistus Introduction: One of Sean's original collections from 1981 from the east face of the Sierra Nevada just downhill from the Whitney portal, this small cholla to about 4 feet is clothed with warm golden spines that fade cream as they age. Yellow flowers in mid spring. Lovers of particularly well-drained soil and easy to grow. A fine container or landscape plant. Zone 3.

$11  

Opuntia erinacea x 'Pink n' White' - Emory County, UT [TH]  

$12  

Opuntia erinacea x fragilis var. columbiana 'Clarno'  

Particularly attractive form of this lovely native from the painted desert country in Central Oregon. Rounded pads to 3” across bear evenly spaced, golden spines and form clumps to 18” tall. Lean, well-drained soil provides the best site in the garden with little water in summer. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5, or lower. A good container or rock garden plant.

$9  

Opuntia fragilis - dwarf golden  
dwarf brittle prickly pear

Shared with us by friend Panayoti Kelaidis of Denver, this small mat former, quickly to about 3" high x 18" wide and eventually larger, has 1/2" pads with golden glochids and spines. Shy to flower. Very attractive in troughs, pots, or rock gardens, anywhere a low sun angle can can make the golden spines glow. Cactus conditions required -- sun, lean and well-drained soil, and little summer water. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$12  

Opuntia fragilis - Sequim, Washington  
brITTLE pricklypear

From a collection by Ian Barclay near his wonderful nursery in Sequim Washington, this rainshadow population growing on rocks near the Puget Sound might not be the most beautiful form in the world but it certainly is interesting! A rather sparsely spined creature, forming open clumps with occasional light yellow flowers. It is always a surprise to come across a prickly pear west of the Cascades Mountains and these have surprised many a beachcomber taking a break on nearby rocks. Sun for sure. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$11  

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Opuntia fragilis 'Alberta Sunset'
A Claude Barr introduction many years ago, this diminutive plant from the northern Great Plains grows only to 4-5" tall forming colonies of dense clumps to 18" in diameter over time. With nearly spineless pads and colors beginning warm yellow and aging through colors of the sunset. Fantastic for the rock garden or a small container. Zone 3

$8

Opuntia fragilis 'Little Gray Mound'
Very cold hardy little cactus, to only 3" tall in clumps to 12" wide, with brownish red glochids and pads that turn purple in cold weather. Produces bright yellow flowers in early summer. Tolerates part shade but prefers full sun and good drainage; tolerates drought but enjoys occasional summer water. Cold hardy to -35F, USDA zone 3b. Also fine in containers.

$9

Opuntia fragilis 'Red Butte'
A Tim Hanis collection from a small hill of the same name in Utah. The pads are quite thick, somewhat flattened, to 3" with sturdy golden and white spines. Makes small clumps to about 18" wide. Another very good rock garden, tough or container plant. Frost hardy to at least -30F, USDA zone 4.

$11

Opuntia fragilis 'Red N Black'
Very nice version of our native Opuntia, this with striking red and black spines growing to 4-6" tall by 3 ft wide and showing off yellow flowers in late spring. Handsome in the sunny well-drained garden, with occasional, monsoon-like summer water for best appearance. Frost hardy in USDA zone 3.

$12

Opuntia fragilis (debreczyi) var. denuda 'Potato'
This variety of the fragile prickly pear from the western Colorado plateau tends to be almost entirely nekkid, not even having the tiny glochids we've come to enjoy. A favorite of rock and trough gardeners, these have round pads, to under 2", that clump to at least 3 ft wide but only a few inches in height, turning purplish in winter and producing occasional lemon-yellow flowers in mid spring. This clone shared with us by Western Colorado's Don Campbell. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA Zone 4, possibly lower.

$12

Opuntia fragilis SBHMP 6678
Same as Opuntia fragilis SBH 6678

$9

Opuntia fragilis th.073 [Salinas Creek]
Another find from southern Utah by plantsman Tim Hanis, these small, round, padded clumps, to 4-5" tall and 18" wide, are adorned with cream and white spines and gold glochids. Occasional yellow flowers appear in mid spring. Cute little pot, container, or rock garden creature for full sun. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4, possibly colder.

$11
**Opuntia fragilis** th.073.11 [Monticello, UT]  
brittle prickly pear  
From plantsman Tim Hanis, this cutie with 1", purple-blushed pads becoming even more purple in winter, making a nice contrast with the orange and white spines. Stands out from quite a distance in the garden or container. Another easy to grow cactus needing only sun and moderately well-drained soil. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4. Very good in container or garden.  
$11  
Cactaceae

**Opuntia fragilis x polyacantha (?)** [Nyssa, Oregon]  
This population, now almost gone because of nearby farming, covers the parched, alkaline shadscale-covered hills near Nyssa, Oregon. Probably an intermediate between *O. polyacantha*, or *O. erinacea*, and *O. fragilis*, the half-dome clump consisting of 3" long, bluish pads strikingly adorned with long white spines and orange glochids. Yellow mid-spring flowers age towards pink. This, one of our more unusual collections, has been quite easy in cultivation given bright light. Probably frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.  
$12  
Cactaceae

**Opuntia gilvescens** 'Oklahoma Pancake'  
As the name implies, from a distance this little prickly pear does indeed look like a stack of pancakes. At most, growing to about 3 feet, with yellow flowers and a halo of small golden spines. Native to the Oklahoma panhandle and environs. Good for garden specimen or a container. For bright light and well drained soil. Zone 4.  
$11  
Cactaceae

**Opuntia humifusa** - dwarf from Claude Barr  
This early selection by Great Plains plantsman Claude Barr grows to only 5-6" in height but forms a rather dense mat of rounded, shiny green and nearly spineless pads to about 3 ft wide. Cheery yellow flowers appear in summer followed by reddish fruit. Fabulous for planters or as spillers and easy to grow in most soil provided there is no standing water. Some summer water helps to push growth. Frost hardy in USDA zone 3 or 4.  
$12  
Cactaceae

**Opuntia humifusa** - North Carolina  
eastern pricklypear  
This coastal collection vigorously produces bright green, oval pads typical of the species and somewhat untypical, rather heavy, warm yellow flowers and rounded, bright red fruit often holding through the year. Very easy in the garden from dappled shade to sun in almost any drainage. Frost hardy to at least -20F, USDA zone 5. We have used this in multiple containers as well as in rooftop plantings.  
$12  
Cactaceae

**Opuntia humifusa** 'Major'  
As the name implies, certainly a particularly large form of this typically creeping prickly pear found throughout the southeastern US. To 4 feet or more in width with 6 inch pads and blunt, golden central spines, making it particularly pretty when backlit. Warm yellow flowers with orange anthers adorn the plant in mid spring and occasionally in summer (when watered) followed by red fruit. Very good container plant or landscape creature. Also one of the best for partial shade. To USDA zone 3  
$11  
Cactaceae

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Opuntia humifusa x macrorhiza

$12

Cactaceae

Opuntia imbricata 'Guadalupe'

A Cistus introduction, our collection from the Guadalupe Mountains, skirting the Texas-New Mexico boarder at about 6500 ft. This a particularly rounded, small tree, to about 6 ft tall, with bright green stems and plum colored flowered, abundant in June and producing yellow fruit. Easy and tolerant of many conditions provided decent drainage. Frost hardy to at least -10F, USDA zone 6, probably zone 5.

$14

Cactaceae

Opuntia macrocentra 'Kunzleri'

Named for New Mexico plantsman Horst Kunzler, this short, broad form of a most beautiful prickly pear has bluish pads tinted pink in winter -- each pad at least 6" wide and topped with dark "eyelash" spines -- and yellow, orange-centered flower in mid to late spring. Best with sun and a dryish root run. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6. Fab container plant.

$14

Cactaceae

Opuntia microdasys - dwarf red

$9

Cactaceae

Opuntia microdasys - Monstrose form

bunny ears cactus

This form of the bunnie ears opuntia has been in cultivation for a long time but has never become common. Looks like something from the Flintstones; each lumpy pad is covered with golden spots of tiny glochids, the plant occasionally to about 18” and flowering in golden yellow. Best in well-drained soil where it is dryish outside. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8. Otherwise an excellent container plant.

$15

Cactaceae

Opuntia microdasys 'Albuquerque'

Given to us long ago and found in an old Albuquerque garden in a rather chilly climate where the species often comes to winter...These bunny's ears grow to about 18" tall and spreading to 3' or more over time. The polka dot yellow pattern of the glochids is attractive... Beware though - their soft appearance is misleading as those glochids can be annoying if brushed. Small yellow flowers in mid spring. Zone 7 with good drainage. A good container specimen.

$9

Cactaceae

Opuntia polyacantha

plains pricklypear

These common natives of western dry lands in have round to oval pads, from 1-4" long with dense spines ("polyacantha" means "many thorns") up to 2" long, and form spreading mats to 4-12" tall and up to several feet wide. Early summer flowers are pale yellow and abundant. Cold hardy to USDA zone 4

$11

Cactaceae
Opuntia polyacantha 'Browse Pink'
Also from Tim Hanis, from the diverse prickly pear population near St. George, Utah, this vigorous plant becomes a 2-3 ft clump fairly quickly, producing a pleasing, mid-pink flower amid the, indeed, red and white, bi-colored spines -- a very nice effect, the plant standing out from quite a distance in Tim's garden. Needs decently drained soil and full sun. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 3.

$12

Opuntia polyacantha 'Citrus Punch'
Another beautiful prickly pear from Colorado's Kelly Grummons, this spreading creature of under 1 ft in height but eventually to 3-4 ft wide has orange and yellow spines and warm apricot flowers darkening with age. Superb in rock gardens or containers and frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4 or below. Full sun and sharp drainage.

$12

Opuntia polyacantha 'Crystal Tide'
This Claude Barr introduction forms dense clumps to 18" tall and spreading to 3 feet. The olive green pads are covered with golden and white spines. Silver pink flowers occur in mid spring. Very good container or landscape plant for well-drained soil and bright light. To zone 3.

$11

Opuntia polyacantha 'Imnaha Blue'
A Cistus introduction. A common native of western dry lands, this clone, from northeastern Oregon's Imnaha Canyon, was found weeping several feet off a cliff of red rhyolite, the nearly spineless, gray-blue pads appearing almost as if hanging in chains. Assuming not everyone has a cliff, these will form spreading mats to 4-12" tall and up to several feet wide. Early summer flowers are a warm, soft yellow. Ordinary cactus requirements -- sun, lean and well-drained soil, and little or no summer water. Undoubtedly frost hardy into USDA zone 4.

$12

Opuntia polyacantha 'Imnaha Sunset'
A Cistus introduction. A common native of western dry lands, these found in northeastern Oregon's Imnaha Canyon. They have round to oval pads -- from 1-4" long with dense, orange spines (polycantha means "many thorns) up to 2" long -- and form spreading mats to 4-12" tall and up to several feet wide. Early summer flowers are, in this selection, yellow with orange stamens and particularly abundant. Frost hardy at least into USDA zone 4.

$12

Opuntia polyacantha 'Peter Pan'
Collected by Kelly Grummons in Colorado's Pawnee National Grasslands, this stunning, perpetually juvenile, non-flowering form has pads of 1-3" covered in bright, white spines. Forms a spiny, white carpet to only 3" tall and spreading slowly to up to 2 ft wide. A good selection for rock gardens or troughs in sun and well-drained soil. Drought tolerant. Frost hardy to -40F, USDA zone 3.

$12

Cactaceae

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Opuntia polyacantha SBH 7505b
A Cistus introduction and a vigourous plant, growing to 15-18" tall x about 3 ft wide, with shaggy white to straw colored spines completely obscuring the pads. In mid to late spring saturated yellow flowers appears each aging tangerine in time, giving a bi-colored effect. Seems to flower best when allowed to grow as it pleases so be lenient. Needs full sun, good drainage. Good in rock gardens, troughs, or containers. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$14

Opuntia polyacantha x erinacea var. columbiana SBH 7524
Large, 3-4in bluish pads, very twisted spines (few). Warm yellow/orange w/ red stamens. Zone 4

$14

Opuntia polyacantha x SBH 7503c
A Cistus introduction. A diminuitive little thing, this O. polyacantha, seemingly introgressed with O. fragilis or possibly someone else, forms a rather dense clump of flattened pads, to only 2-3", with pale spines and, in mid to late spring, flowers of a rather intense gold with contrasting red stamens. Another easy to grow prickly pear for container, rock garden, or jewelry in good light for best spine and flower formation. Frost hardy to at least -30F, USDA zone 4.

$12

Opuntia potsii var. montana
A wonderful little cactus from Santa Fe, New Mexico, to only 4" tall x 30" wide, with green pads and very short spines. Summer flowers are lemon yellow, single and simple. Best in lean soil, good drainage, and bright light, though these are more shade tolerant than most opuntias. Needs little to no summer water. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA Zone 4.

$12

Opuntia pusilla - gold spined form cockspur prickly pear
Diminutive, mat-forming prickly pear from the Gulf Coast to the lower Carolinas, found most often in coastal sand dunes with 2" flattened pads, yellow flowers, and, in this form, golden spines, making a most attractive, fast-growing garden or container plant. Pads easily detach and can be shared purposely or not. Frost hardy in low USDA zone 7, possibly zone 6. Quite moisture tolerant as well.

$11

Opuntia sp. SBH 9116b - mini pad

$9

Opuntia spinosior - highest elevation form cane cholla
Classic and most attractive cholla, from elevations over 8100 ft in southeastern Arizona's Pinaleño mountains, with tightly held, silver-tinted-pink spines on rounded branches and cherry red flowers in late spring on “shrubs” to about 4 ft -- the entire plant a luscious purple in the colder months of winter with the branchlets handing downward. A beautiful contrast to the greeny yellow fruit. Full sun, good drainage, and, where dry, occasional summer water to boost growth. Frost hardy to -20F, zone 5, possibly a bit lower.

$14
**Opuntia whipplei 'Tiny Tim'**

A Cistus introduction, but we must thank Tim Hanis for finding this northernmost Utah population of *O. whipplei* and particularly for this striking clone. These spiny, miniature chollas, reaching only about 6-8" in height but spreading to 6 ft or more, are variable in color with 1-2" long "pads" covered with golden spines. Even these small plants manage to produce a number of yellow-green flowers each spring followed by yellow fruit. A most attractive garden "shrub" or container specimen for sun and decently drained soil. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$12

**Cactaceae**

**Opuntia wrightii** - white spine

Small cholla from northern Arizona and adjacent places --perhaps more familiar by its old name and synonym, *Opuntia wrightii* - white spine, this collection does have white spines rather than the silvery spines of the genus. Tightly held branches form a miniature “tree” to about 3 ft tall. Greeny yellow flowers are abundant in mid spring. Easy to grow in bright light and gritty soil with occasional summer water. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4. A very good container specimen.

$15

**Cactaceae**

**Opuntia x rutila** - red/black spines

This so far unnamed hybrid was an early Colorado Plateau collection by plantsman Claude Barr. Stout orange-red and black spines mark pads roughly 3" long, the elongation suggesting parentage by *O. polycantha* and *O. fragilis*. Mid spring, yellow flowers fade to apricot. Wonderful for small rock gardens with the usual cactus conditions -- sun, lean and well-drained soil, and little or no summer water. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$12

**Cactaceae**

**Orixa japonica 'Pearl Frost'**

This deciduous member of the citrus family grows to 8 or more ft tall with a graceful habit and 5" foliage edged and streaked in creamy white. Though tolerant of full sun, these are particularly beautiful on the edge of woodland with darker plants behind. Slower growing than it's great parent but vigorous nonetheless in medium drainage in medium shade to full sun. Requires regular summer water. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5.

$15

**Rubiaceae**

**Oscularia caulescens** - Ruth Bancroft Garden clone

Seriously cute ice plant from South Africa, this one evergreen with succulent, fleshy leaves: light blue-green and somewhat 3-sided with toothed edges on dark stems! What’s not to love? Add the fragrant, deep pink, daisy-like flowers with yellow centers for more fun in spring and summer. Full sun to a bit of shade and good drainage. Drought tolerant but fatter and fuller with regular water. Frost hardy to 15-20F, upper USDA zone 8.

$7

**Rubiaceae**

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Osmanthus heterophyllus 'Ogon'
Of all the forms now available of this fragrant olive, O. h. ‘Ogon’ is possibly the most striking. These dwarf evergreen shrubs are slow to 4-5 ft and widely pyramidal with leaves a summer chartreuse and remaining gold throughout winter. The flowers are produced like the others, in fall with a sweet, carrying fragrance. Particularly beautiful when massed around contrasting plants such as Mahonia x media ‘Charity’ with its leaves almost matching the Mahonia flowers in winter color and intensity. Frost hardy in upper USDA zone 7. Bright light in coastal conditions, dappled shade elsewhere with regular summer water.

$15

Osmanthus heterophyllus 'Rotundifolius'
Slow growing and quite showy evergreen shrub with rounded, shiny, dark green foliage -- a very unlikely sweet olive. White flowers in winter, small but intensely fragrant. Reaches 5 x 5 ft or so at maturity in sun to part shade where the soil is rich and receives regular summer water. Can be used for a low hedge. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$13

Ourisia modesta
creeping foxglove

$9

Plantaginaceae

Oxalis 'Plum Crazy'
Wow. Spectacular heat-loving wood sorrel with a splash of purple and green leaves and petite yellow flowers. Mounded habit is perfect for the woodland garden or as a filler in mixed containers. Full sun to partial shade. Height 6". USDA zone 8.

$7

Oxalis hirta
tropical woodsorrel

Sweet and well-behaved woodsorrel from South Africa, making low mats of bluish green leaves on 5” stems topped, in late fall to early winter, with yellow-centered, rose-pink star flowers, a cheerful addition to a winter day. Easily enjoying a Mediterranean climate, these are drought tolerant, dormant in summer and returning with fall rains. For sun to part shade. Frost hardy in the upper teens F, USDA zone 8b; lower in a protected garden spot. Can also be grown indoors in bright light where they are more floriferous if pot bound.

$11

Oxalidaceae

Paris polyphylla - Heronswood form
multi-leaf paris

A fabulous plant for the shade garden, a Nepalese trillium relation collected by intrepid plantsman, Dan Hinkley. These have surprising flowers, green sepals in a star shape and thready golden petals, followed by late summer fruit in shades of red-orange. The whorled leaves are handsome and provide a nice statement. To see it is to covet it. For shade and rich soil with summer moisture. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5.

$22

Melanthiaceae
Parthenocissus henryana - Berkeley Garden Form
silvervein creeper
Chinese ... Boston ivy. This elegant clinging vine can reach up to 20 ft or more, the deciduous leaves flushed burgundy with silver markings during the growing season. This clone, a sport from our long-ago gardens in Berkeley CA, has particularly good coloration and the most stunning, red-orange fall color, more pronounced when plants are grown in shade. Drought tolerant once established but would prefer some summer water where very dry. Frost hardy in the upper end of USDA zone 6. A good spiller for containers.

Persicaria 'Brushstrokes'
brushstrokes fleece flower
New and handsome persicaria, more upright than some, to 2 ft tall in sun and 3 ft in shade, with striking, velvety green leaves, and, in late fall, spikes of tiny red flowers, late enough to minimize reseeding. Perennial, dying back each winter. Enjoys average soil in sun to part shade with some summer water. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6. Said to be deer resistant.

Philadelphus mexicanus 'Floroplena'
double flowered mock orange
Choice evergreen, arching shrub with abundant, intoxicatingly fragrant, double white flowers through much of the summer. Can be 15 ft tall with support or maintained as a medium shrub, removing oldest branches after flowering. Full sun to part shade. Drought tolerant once established but accepting of summer water. Tolerates heat with humidity. Frost hardy to mid USDA zone 8 and above.

Phlebodium pseudoaureum
blue rabbit's foot fern
Once part of a more familiar genus and known as Polypodium areolatum, these ferns are handsome by any name with their evergreen, glaucous gray-blue, deeply lobed fronds to only 12" tall emerging from fuzzy red rhizomes that lie close to the surface. Wonderful in the garden in well-drained, consistently moist soil in part sun to dappled shade. Striking as cut foliage. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

Phlomis 'Sunningdale Gold'
jerusalem sage
Being always interested in fuzzy plant parts, we are captivated by the warm, golden indumentum that covers leaf and stem of this evergreen shrublet. Shared with us by British plantsman John Grimshaw, it is our new favorite phlomis. In early summer plants have cheerful yellow flowers, also fuzzy, that produce, indeed, fuzzy seed capsules in summer and autumn. To 3 ft tall with a broad pyramidal growth habit; perfect for the Mediterranean border in any spot with sun, well-drained soil and limited summer water. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

Phormium - 'Dusky Chief' x 'Emerald Gem' [1st generation]

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**Phormium cookianum 'Blondie'**
New Zealand Flax

A short-growing, weeping New Zealand Flax with green margins and cream-yellow stripes. Height to 2' and width slightly more. Due to its long slender leaves, this cultivar will often swallow its container by reaching way past the soil level. It's a bit like Rod Stewart's hair. Plant in part to full sun; in hot areas, it may appreciate a location in afternoon shade to avoid leaf burn. Regular summer watering. Protect from hard frost, USDA zone 8b.

_Xanthorrhoeaceae_

**Phormium tenax - big form**
new zealand flax

Though they have not been given a very exciting name, these seedlings are, in fact, very big! From a gigantic plant in our friend Stephen Ryan's garden near Melbourne, Australia, they grow to 12 ft or more with 4" wide leaves of deep glossy green. The red tinted are held well above. Definitely a bold statement for the garden in sun to part shade with extra summer water for more rapid growth. A wonderful coastal plant that needs protection inland where temperatures fall to 15°F, mid USDA zone 7. Can recover from low zone 8 temperatures if well mulched, but not quickly.

$14

_Xanthorrhoeaceae_

**Pittosporum tobira 'Kansai Sunburst'**
variegated mock orange

Lovely variegated Japanese pittosporum, the green leaves marked and mottled with pale yellow, creating a gently textured effect. Grown primarily for the exquisite foliage, flowering only rarely, the blooms small and white. A perfect addition to any garden, this evergreen shrub reaches a compact 4-6 ft tall, accepting even bright sun to dappled shade with summer water. Frost hardy to 10°F, USDA zone 8 with protection from freezing winds.

$14

_Pittosporaceae_

**Pittosporum tobira 'Tall n Tough'**
mock orange

The hardiest of *P. tobira* clones, this selection is from JC Raulston Arboretum has survived temperatures to 0°F without blinking. Large, evergreen shrub to small tree, to 8 ft tall x 6 ft wide, has shiny, dark green, rounded leaves and, in early summer, intensely fragrant, citrus-like, white flowers. Appreciates full sun to part shade, with regular summer water until established. Frost hardy to 0°F, USDA zone 7.

$12

_Pittosporaceae_

**Podocarpus aff. fasciculus**

A collection from the JC Raulston Arboretum, supposedly a tree to 30' or more. Ours has reached about 15' in 10 years. Lacey, somewhat weeping foliage and pyramidal form for at least the occasionally summer-watered garden. Very pretty background specimen, with a soft effect. Evergreen. Full sun to part shade. USDA zone 8. Has survived flirting with the bottom of zone 7 in North Carolina with slight damage.

$14

_Podocarpaceae_

**Podocarpus macrophyllus 'Royal Crown'**
golden leaves

$16
**Podocarpus totara 'Pendula'**  
Large, gracefully weeping shrub, easily trained to small tree size, to 8-12 ft tall or so, with yellow-green, densely held needles and dense weeping branches as well, though these can be thinned to enhance the fine, graceful appearance. Easy care, requiring regular but infrequent water in dry summer places and sun for best needle color, though perfectly happy in dappled shade. This New Zealand native seems adaptable to both east and west. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7. Excellent container plants.  
$15  

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**Polygonatum odoratum var. pluriflorum 'Jinguji Form'**  
Upright perennial, a Japanese form of the traditional Solomon's seal, this with red stems that create a sharp contrast with the green leaves and spring bell-flowers that dangle from the stem followed by black berry-like fruit. Best in dappled shade to full shade, reaching 20-24" tall in clumps to 2-3 ft wide. Moist, fertile soil is best for beautiful plants standing over a long period. Frost hardy to -30F, at least, USDA zone 4.  
$15  

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**Polygonatum x hybridum 'Striatum'**  
Useful and easy to grow white-variegated selection of Solomon's Seal that stands out like a beacon in the green-heavy shade garden. We like their arching stems, glossy leaves, which resemble corn, and the small, pendulous flowers which appear in abundance each spring. Plant amid ferns, hostas, or other shade dwellers, repeating clumps if necessary to create pockets of brightness and cheer. Height to 24-30". Regular moisture. Frost hardy to USDA zone 3.  
$16  

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**Polypodium californicum 'Rowdy Creek'**  
$9  

**Polypodium scouleri**  
Native to the coastal forest along the immediate Pacific Coast, growing on rocks and atop and among the gnarled branches of ancient redwoods. Our only evergreen licorice fern and an attractive plant in the garden -- even without the ancient trees -- to about 12" tall and slowly spreading. Very good for container, rooftop, or evergreen groundcover. Best where soil is rich and well-drained, in shade inland or sun along the immediate coast. Enjoys some summer moisture but dislikes being too wet. Frost hardy to 10F, zone 8.  
$12  

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**Portulacaria afra 'Variegata'**  
Striking variegated succulent from Africa, can reach 12 ft in the wild, less in captivity -- possibly 4 ft tall. Leaves are small, round, and fleshy, green with variegation against dark red stems. Flowers are a bonus, small pink clusters in late spring to early summer. Sun and lean, well-drained soil that dries out some between waterings. A USDA zone 10 plant -- no freezing temperatures -- that does well indoors in good light.  
$11  

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**Prostanthera rotundifolia**

Australian mint bush

From the wonderful group of Australian, shrubby mints. Brush past this mint bush and you are enveloped in a cloud of cool fragrance. Abundant pale purple flowers in spring and early summer. Shear lightly for repeat bloom. Sun and moist, fertile, well-drained soil. To 4-6 ft tall and nearly as wide. Plant in a protected spot away from harsh elements for winter survival in upper USDA zone 8. Easy in zone 9 and well worth a try below.

$12

**Lamiaceae**

**Pyrrosia hastata**

felt fern

An evergreen fern, quite rare in cultivation as it spreads very slowly, but attractive with thick, three lobed leaves, up to 16" long x 6-8" wide, green above and stippled with coppery felt below, on black stems to 6-12" tall and slowly expanding into larger clumps. Found clinging to rocks and tree trunks in China, Japan, and Korea, these are best in part shade to shade in well-drained, even rocky soil with summer water. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, and into zone 7 with winter protection. Also does well in pots and as an indoor plant.

$18

**Polypodiaceae**

**Pyrrosia lingua 'Eboshi' [Contorta]**

contorted tongue fern

Intriguing, sloooooow-growing, tongue fern from Japan with evergreen, contorted, (possibly convulsing) fronds, glossy above, pale brown and furry beneath. A plant for a shade rockery or special container. Keep damp. Root hardy in upper USDA zone 7.

$16

**Polypodiaceae**

**Quercus aff. rugosa - La Siberica strain**

This is from our 1991 collection from high valley in Mexico's Nuevo Leon state and named for the town and the cold climate from which it comes. In habitat these form dense 6-8 ft shrubs with undulate and glossy fiddle-shaped leaves, deep green and ever so lightly furry above with a thick woolly coating of cream to light orange fur beneath. OooohH! Our original seed collections have grown in our somewhat more lavish conditions to 15 ft small trees just large enough tshow off the reflective undersides of the leaves. OooohH! OooH! From its habitat we suggest this might well be frost hardy into USDA zone 6 but we know zone 7 is a no-brainer. Ohhhhh, ohhh, ohhh!

$14

**Fagaceae**

**Quercus berberidifolia SBH 9057**

Our collection near the summit of the Santa Rosa Plateau in southern California, these dense, 6ft shrubs were adorned with flattened, somewhat spiny leaves on multiple stems. Very good for the western dry garden as a large shrub remaining under 10 ft tall or pruned into small tree form and reaching to 12-14 ft tall. Needs sun to half shade and well-drained soil; dislikes summer wet places. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, probably zone 6.

$14

**Fagaceae**

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**Quercus berberidifolia x engelmannii** SBH 9064

Another oak from our collection near the summit of the Santa Rosa Plateau in southern California, these are also 6 ft shrubs with somewhat broader leaves with a blue finish suggesting intergression with the Engelman oaks included in our name. Also very good for the western dry garden as a large shrub remaining under 10 ft tall or pruned into small tree form and reaching to 12-14 ft tall. Needs sun to half shade and well-drained soil; dislikes summer wet places. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, probably zone 6.  
$14

**Quercus chrysolepis** SBH 9274.2  
$12

**Quercus douglasii** - Cache Creek [Peter Podaris]  
Handsome, small, deciduous tree to 20-30 ft most easily seen in the northern Sacramento Valley. This collection from Solano County, California by plantsman Peter Podaras has particularly blue, 1-2" leaves with subtle fall color in pastel yellows and oranges. Tolerant of most garden conditions but also of severe summer drought, though summer water to establish is best in sun to part shade. Frost hardy to at least -20F, USDA zone 5.  
$12

**Quercus dumosa** SBH 9360  
Shrub oak, native to California, reaching from 5-6 ft tall and as wide with evergreen, spiny leaves. They grow much as manzanitas, in full sun and well-drained soil with little summer water once established. Frost hardy in USDA zone 8.  
$12

**Quercus myrsinifolia**  
One of the more handsome of the evergreen oaks, this one native to Japan and Asia, with bronze new growth maturing to glossy green leaves that end in a curious drip tip. Grows at a medium rate to 30 ft tall as an upright and spreading specimen. Best full to part sun with regular summer water but tolerates summer drought once established. Makes an excellent street tree or container plant. Cold hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.  
$15

**Quercus tomentella x chrysolepis**  
This hybrid between the channel oak and the canyon oak, both occurring on the islands off the coast of Southern California, has a bigger and more upright growth, often with leaves emerging red as with *Q. tomentella* and the somewhat smaller and spinier leaves of *Q. chrysolepis*. These have made most attractive trees, showing great vigor and exhibiting silver bark with age. Remaining reliably evergreen, deep-rooted, and drought tolerant they should be marvelous dry garden or street trees in the. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.  
$14

**Quercus wislezenii ssp. fruticosa** SBH 9058  
Evergreen tree producing crinkled, somewhat spiny, deep green leaves, silvery bark, and attractive missile-shaped acorns in late summer. To about 25 ft tall with a rounded shape, a tough species for the droughty west. Makes a nice contrast with an olive tree of similar size. Best in full sun in very well-drained soil with only occasional water until established. Frost hardy to 0F, and possibly lower.  
$12
**Quercus wislezenii ssp. fruticosa** SBH 9361.1

$12

**Fagaceae**

**Rhhamnus alaternus 'Argenteovariegata'**

This tough, evergreen, Mediterranean shrub has been grown since the 17th century for its handsome variegated foliage, pale green leaves with creamy white margins that echo the white, spring flowers. Handsome red berries in fall stand out against the pale foliage. To 12-15 ft tall and nearly as wide. Has the best form in full sun but accepts part shade as well. Requires little summer water once established. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$14

**Rhamnaceae**

**Rhinephyllum broomii**

From high elevations, subject to moisture at almost any time of the year, though not very frequently, this little mimicking ice plant, to 1/2" to 1" in height, and only a few inches in width, has small cupped leaves, nicely blue-green, often tinted purply in bright light, very much like the surrounding small stones amid which it lives. Small yellow flowers appear in late summer or early autumn, sometimes spring. A little jewel. Likes particularly gritty, well-drained soil, though tolerant of water at any point of the year, but best to let dry in autumn before winter's approach. USDA zone 5.

$7

**Aizoaceae**

**Rhodiola pachyclados**

A lovely evergreen groundcover for the dry garden, this sedum from Pakistan and Afghanistan, to only 6" tall, forms a spreading carpet of small, succulent, blue-green rosettes. A great texture for the rock garden. Clusters of white flowers appear in mid to late summer. Does well in fertile to poor soil, well-drained of course, in sun to part shade. Drought tolerant once established but accepts summer water as well. Frost hardy to at least -20F, USDA zone 5.

$5

**Crassulaceae**

**Rhodohypoxis baurii 'Venetia'**

From the Drakensberg Mountains of South Africa, a tiny, clumping perennial with grassy leaves, to only 3-4" tall. Grown mostly for its charming, star-shaped, rose-red flowers that sit on the top of each stem in late spring. Sun and well-drained soil is best with consistent moisture in summer and little moisture in winter. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, with good drainage.

$11

**Hypoxidaceae**

**Ribes 'Pink Pearl'**

A Cistus introduction. Though this new cross should involve long story about an involved, Cistus hybridization program, in fact, this was a seedling in our garden ... for which we are happy to take credit. And yes, it's possible the world doesn't need another Ribes sanguineum cultivar, but this one's different ... with dense, hanging clusters of late winter flowers that open white and fade to a warm pink. Flowers very well and we believe represents a color combination not in the trade. Typical western native plant care is required in lean soil and dappled shade -- though for this one full sun can't hurt --. with summer water to be applied sparingly and carefully only in cool weather. We expect frost hardiness to at least the bottom of USDA zone 7.

$14

**Grossulariaceae**

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Rohdea japonica 'Mini'

Indeed, a very small form, from Japan, of this most useful evergreen perennial. To about 6", producing tufts of dark green leaves, edged and sometimes streaked white, with spring flowers, nondescript, unless you are another rohdea, but followed by most attractive bright orange fruit from late summer into winter. Evergreen. For deep shade. Excellent for container culture. Control for root weevils. USDA zone 7, if not 6.

$16

Rosmarinus - weeping form [Brentwood Bay]

Weeping form of this shrubby, evergreen herb, to 2-4 ft tall x 3-4 ft wide with medium green, needle-like foliage on arching branches. Shared with us by Robin Dening of Brentwood Bay Nursery. Aromatic and lovely to brush against and useful in the kitchen. Well-drained soil is best with little summer water once plants are established. Said to be deer resistant and tolerant of salt spray. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$12

Rosularia chrysantha

A cheery little European mountain native with quickly spreading dense evergreen rosettes of bright green, each under an inch, spreading to form a 3" x 18" "groundcover" in but one season. Pale yellow flowers produced in spring. Excellent for rock garden or green wall/roof with a little extra summer water. USDA zone 5, if not colder. Sun to dappled shade.

$7

Ruschia clavata

Intriguing shrubby mesem (ice plant) from southern South Africa growing to 4 ft tall with open branches and adjoining globular, olive-green to bluish leaves. Bright light where soil is lean and well-drained and some summer water can be provided. Expected to be frost hardy to at least 0F, USDA zone 7 and possibly lower. Good container specimen as well.

$9

Ruschia hamata

From South Africa's interior cape, this shrubby little ice plant grows to only 8-10" in height, spreading to 2-3' in reasonable time, with quite small leaves and lavender flowers in at least one shot in mid-spring and sporadically later. Excellent for trough, container, or small-scale shrub in bright light and well-drained soil. Let dry in autumn to "harden off" for winter. Zone 5.

$7

Ruschia namaquana

Small shrub, to about 2 ft, with clasping succulent leaves giving it the appearance of a strange sea creature rather than a desert shrub. One of the first succulents Sean received as a child from a defunct succulent nursery in the San Joaquin valley. Very drought tolerant as itsNamaqualand origins would indicate, though it prefers to be damp in the winter for best growth. Full sun. Excellent pot specimen. Reliably hardy to just a bit under 20F, uppermost USDA zone 8; colder with protection.

$10

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Ruta graveolens 'Variegata'

already a favorite cooking herb and medicinal plant, this variegated form has handsome splashes of yellow variegation on the bluish foliage that cools the garden. An evergreen shrub to 2 ft tall, excellent shrub for the hot, dry Mediterranean garden in full sun with little summer water once established. Frost hardy in USDA zone 4.

$11

Rutaceae

Sabal palmetto

cabbage palm

From seeds shared with us by fellow plant nut, Hayes Jackson, in Aniston, AL, from his quick growing specimen, one having survived a couple of dips below 10ºF no worse for wear. The state tree of South Carolina, this stately palmetto reaches 30 ft or more, though quickly in the southeast, quite slowly in the cool summer night West. Lovers of heat and consistent summer moisture: fast growing in any hot-summer-night area and slow to form a trunk elsewhere. Because it stretches from the coast of the Carolinas to the Gulf to the Caribbean, we are always on the lookout for northern forms. "Don't be dumb, get you some" -- Hayes Jackson 2002. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

$16

Areceae

Salix gracilistyla 'Melanostachys'

black pussywillow

Black pussywillow with both male and female catkins appearing in early spring before the leaves appear on stems that have turned purple-black in winter. The male catkins are fatter and showier, also a deep purple-black with red anthers slowly turning yellow with pollen. The dark green leaves are attractive, to 4" long with fine teeth and silver-green undersides. Deciduous shrubs, multistemmed to 6-10 ft tall and wide, these like well-drained soil, damp to wet, in full sun to part shade. Can be cut back hard to refresh every 3-4 years. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5.

$11

Salicaceae

Salvia africana-lutea 'Kirstenbosch'

One of a great number of attractive shrubby salvias from the Cape of South Africa, this plant a selection from Kirstenbosch Botanic Garden, from the dry winter rainfall country with very sterile soil, grows into a woody shrub of about 4 ft with very blue-green leaves and striking caramel-brown and gold flowers in spring in the wild but nearly year round in appropriate gardens. The savory aroma produced by the slightest brush is quite wonderful. Can be pruned lightly or severely to shape. Full sun, sharp drainage; low on the nutrients. Subject to occasional damage in our garden so we take emergency cuttings but we also use it as a constituent in many a community pot. Low end of USDA zone 9; possibly zone 8.

$11

Lamiaceae

Salvia microphylla 'Belize Form'

This collection--uncertain whether wild or cultivar--grows to about 3-4' with a long display of coral flowers late spring through autumn. Full sun to only dappled shade with occasional summer water to keep it flowering. Cut back hard in spring to encourage new growth and keep from getting woody. Reliable in zone 8, often returning in spring from USDA zone 7.

$9

Lamiaceae

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**Sarcandra glabra**

Evergreen ground cover with shiny, serrated foliage, the leaves 4-6" long and half as wide. Plants form small mounds 1 to 3 ft high and wide. Small, yellowish flowers appear in May followed by 1/4" orange-red fruits (drupes) in autumn, remaining through spring. A woodland plant in its native Asian habitat; appreciates regular water and at least dappled shade in hottest climates. Frost hardy in USDA zone 8.

$14

**Sarcococca hookeriana var. humilis**

Small evergreen shrub with shiny leaves and, in January, tiny white, thread-like flowers that give a wonderfully spicy aroma to the winter air. To only 12-14” inches tall, these small shrubs spread slowing adding more stems for more flowers and more wonderful winter aromas and more of the distinctive, round black fruit. A must have for the shady garden with rich soil and a little summer water. Extremely choice. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6.

$12

**Sarcococca orientalis**

Our selection of this exceedingly handsome, 4 ft, rather dense, evergreen shrub with 2" x 1" leaves set amid the layered branches, each festooned with flowers up to 1/3” from mid-fall to through late winter. Wonderfully fragrant. We have found this plant to be one of the most fully evergreen and rewarding of the genus. A great addition under other shrubs in nearly full shade to bright light, but best out of hottest afternoon sun in warm climates. Regular summer water and average fertilizing. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$16

**Sarcococca salicifolia**

One of the most unusual and graceful of the sarcococcas, this 4 to 5 ft shrub of equal spread possesses arching branches and long, yes, willow-like leaves of shiny light green, appearing very much like bamboo as well. The particularly fragrant flowers are most abundant in fall into early winter and are a creamy green-yellow melding beautifully with the shiny leaves. Light dappled shade to full shade -- ok in sun in coastal climates -- with reasonable summer water and fertile to average soil. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8, though a form exists in the JC Raulston Arboretum in zone 7 in North Carolina suffering only occasional damage.

$15

**Schefflera delavayi**

In our never ending search for garden hardy evergreen Schefflera relatives, here's one that's actually a Schefflera. This Himalayan species grows eventually to 6 or 8 ft and can have leaves in excess of 2 ft with an exquisite tawny indumentum. So far has proven hardier than even Fatsia to a low USDA zone 7!! Dappled shade is best with even moisture.

$19

**Sedum 'Silver Moon'**

This hybrid sedum doubtless involving S. spathulifolium and S. laxum was collected in the days of yore in the rich Klamath country of the southern Siskiyou Mountains by famed succulent enthusiast Helen Payne. Light gray-green rosettes to about 3" spread quickly to form no-fuss mats. Wonderful in sun to light shade as a small-scale groundcover, for a green roof, or, yes, windowsill planter. Zone 5. Prefers summer drought.

$7

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Sedum adolphii
$7

Crassulaceae

An unusual sedum with a great appearance. Low and spreading with rings of blue-gray succulent leaves. The rose-colored flowers are a nice added feature. 6in x 12in. Full sun. USDA zone 5.

Sedum anacampseros
$9

Crassulaceae

Sedum clavatum
$9

Crassulaceae

This form is rumored to be bluer than the typical species found wild in Mexico. This form also tends to grow in shorter, denser clumps to a height of about six inches tall and gently spreading. Can likely handle brief periods of frost and is frost hardy in USDA zone 9b, maybe lower. Perhaps best treated as a container plant and then brought in as a houseplant during the winter.

Sedum confusum
$5

Crassulaceae

One of the best of the southern Asian sedums, to 18” or more in jade-plantesque green mounds that can be thinned to exhibit a tree-like form...otherwise can be used as dense ground cover. Bright yellow flowers. Full sun to part shade; summer water for best appearance. Frost hardy to between 0 and 10F - USDA zone 7.

Sedum niveum SBH 9227a
davidson's stonecrop
$12

Crassulaceae

From a small native range in the mountains above Palms Springs, California, comes this precious, small succulent, with winter resting rosettes to only about 1/4" spreading to make colonies eventually several feet wide. In spring and summer 3-4" stalks of starry white flowers stand above. Easy going, requiring only decent drainage and dappled sun to full sun. Drought tolerant but can handle water any time of the year as its mountain habitat has frequent thunder showers. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6.

Sedum niveum SBH 9227a [EL Toro]
$7

Crassulaceae

Sedum niveum SBH 9227b
$7

Crassulaceae

From a small native range in the mountains above Palms Springs, California, comes this precious, small succulent, with winter resting rosettes to only about 1/4" spreading to make colonies eventually several feet wide. This one with somewhat red-tinted leaves in winter. In spring and summer 3-4" stalks of starry white flowers stand above. Easy going, requiring only decent drainage and dappled sun to full sun. Drought tolerant but can handle water any time of the year as its mountain habitat has frequent thunder showers. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6.
**Sedum nussbaumerianum**
donkey tail sedum

Also called copperstone stonecrop, this sedum is low growing, to only 8" tall x 2-3 ft wide, with 1" pointed, succulent leaves, green with rosy bronze tints. Flowers are fragrant, appearing in white umbels in late winter to spring. Likes full sun in well-drained soil with occasional summer water and fertilizer. Does well in coastal areas. Frost hardy in mid to upper USDA zone 9. In colder areas, a good container sedum or houseplant that trails willingly over edges.

$8

**Crassulaceae**

**Sedum nussbaumerianum 'Coppertop'**
donkey tail sedum

This copper sedum loves warm weather with sun and dry soil. This sedum is low growing, to only 8" tall x 2-3 ft wide, with 1" pointed, succulent leaves, green with rosy bronze tints. Flowers are fragrant, appearing in white umbels in late winter to spring. Likes full sun in well-drained soil with occasional summer water and fertilizer. Does well in coastal areas. Frost hardy in mid to upper USDA zone 9. In colder areas, a good container sedum or houseplant that trails willingly over edges.

$7

**Crassulaceae**

**Sedum obtusatum SBH 9692**

$7

**Crassulaceae**

**Sedum obtusatum SBH 9697b**

$7

**Crassulaceae**

**Sedum oregonense 'Black Butte'**

A Cistus introduction. A vigorous form of the western Cascade native with blue-green, red tinted leaves forming what appear to be octagonal rosettes, 3-4" in height spreading indefinitely, but 3 ft can be expected in a couple of years. The late spring flowers are a pale cream yellow, contrasting nicely with the foliage. The more sun the brighter the foliage. For best performance, mineral soil and a minimum of summer water, at least while temperatures are high. Probably frost hardy to -30°F, USDA zone 4.

$8

**Crassulaceae**

**Sedum palmeri - hardy selection**

A sprawling Mexican sedum, collected at 10,000 ft in elevation, with startling orange-yellow flowers in early spring and attractive rosettes of blue-green leaves throughout the year. Forms patches to 6" tall x 12" wide. Easy in full sun with good drainage and some to little summer water once established. Frost hardy to 0°F, USDA zone 7. Drapes nicely over the sides of containers.

$7

**Crassulaceae**

**Sedum palmeri 'Guatemala'**

A cheerful, semi-trailing, dusty sedum in light sherbert colors. Does well in part to full sun as a groundcover, in rock gardens, or planted with other succulents in containers or in the kitchen windowsill. Flowers bloom in late winter and are bright, bright yellow and really push the color riot over the edge. Spreads to around 18-24" but only 6-8" tall. Semi-hardy, to USDA zone 8.

$7

**Crassulaceae**
Sedum rubrotinctum - dwarf form

Teensy weensy pork and beans. Shiny reddish green, yes, bean-shaped leaves, to 1/4", on these clumping, spreading, evergreen succulents, to about 6" in height. Unlike most beans we get at home, these will root when in contact with soil. Excellent container or rock-garden plant for bright light and fairly well-drained soil. Drought tolerant of course, but summer water speeds growth. Frost hardy to the upper teens F, upper USDA zone 8.

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Crassulaceae

Sedum spathulifolium 'Serpentine Blue'

A Cistus introduction. From the beautiful Siskiyous of southern Oregon, on a shiny blue mountain named Serpentine Point, comes what might be a intermediate between S. spathulifolium and its often recognized variety 'Purdy'. On a mountain with at least five taxa of sedum, we found this one in the most shade. The under 1/2" rosettes are a good silver-blue with white stems, coloring a bit in winter and quickly spreading. Excellent for summer dry garden walls/roofs and containers. Probably USDA zone 5. Suggest afternoon shade in hottest places with little summer water.

$7

Crassulaceae

Sedum spathulifolium ssp. pruinosum SBH 9140 [Pistol]

A Cistus introduction. This form from near the mountains of the Pistol River is a picturesque seastack. Has particularly whitish blue rosettes with large-stem leaves giving the appearance of the flowers being stacked beneath its spring yellow flowers. Evergreen sedum, native in Oregon's coastal range, with small rosettes of somewhat flat, gray-green leaves on long stems, suitable for draping over stone walls or the sides of containers or as a ground cover in sunny spots that drain well and remain dry in summer. Frost hardy in USDA zone 5.

$8

Crassulaceae

Sedum wrightii

A most compact succulent from the high mountains of Sonora and Chihuahua to N. Mexico with cheery green rosettes of only about 2" spreading to form clumps in their cliffside habitats with white flowers produced late spring and often late summer after the monsoons. Wonderful container or rock garden specimen. Be sure to give it your own monsoon in summer dry climates. Zone 7 with bright to dappled light.

$7

Crassulaceae

Sempervivum 'Desert Bloom'

A dusty gray-green houseleek that slowly forms a colony of 4-6" rosettes. Older leaves turn a slight pink-purple color as they flatten out, giving this particular cultivar a very Tuscan feel. Full to part sun. Excellent for roof gardens or in between stones in the rockery. Frost hardy to USDA zone 3.

$7

Crassulaceae

Senecio antephorbium

Striking blue-green succulent from northern Africa, producing small leaves that...deciduficate with drought, spreading by rhizomes and branches to form what looks like a bowl of upright worms tinted olive and pink. Everyone needs one. The flowers are medium to light yellow, smelling of grandma's attic. Remove immediately or not if it brings back memories, or if you're a grandma. USDA zone 10 with only light frost. Keep dryish in winter. Great houseplant.

$7

Crassulaceae

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**Senecio articulatus**

Fun-on-a-stick, this intriguing, succulent, South African daisy produces articulated stems of succulent blue with small, three-lobed leaves. They go deciduous after producing sweet-scented, pale pink shaving brush flowers. For winter rainfall areas with thin soil. These are easy to grow in bright light though would prefer to be damp in the winter and dry out a bit in summer...but seemingly impossible to kill no matter what you do. Very sculptural in a pot or as a strange ground cover where temperatures seldom fall below 20F. Frost hardy in USDA zone 8B/9a.

$6

**Asteraceae**

**Senecio mandraliscae**

Blue-grey chalky fingers on vigorous spreading stems. Made famous as part of the floor of the “blue room” at Lotusland. Good to about 25 F, below that you can snap off a few stems to grow on a sunny windowsill for next year. Great in containers. Sun to part sun. Frost hardy to 25F, USDA zone 9b.

$7

**Asteraceae**

**Senecio tropaeolifolius**

Here’s an odd little South African member of the daisy family that’s grown primarily for its funny glaucous blue foliage. Yellow flowers emerge in spring and are followed by puffy white seedheads. Needs sharp drainage. Try it in a container, or in a rock wall (and cross your fingers in a cold Pdx winter). Sun to part sun. Cold hardy in USDA zone 9

$9

**Asteraceae**

**Sisyrinchium 'Stripey'**

We are so happy to see this little variegated blue-eyed grass selection just released! Small, clump-forming grasses for full sun areas with little or no access to water. Also great in pots planted with small, dark gravel. 8-10" tall and wide. In the ground, plant en masse and enjoy the long season of sky blue flowers above the yellow-edged green leaves. Frost hardy to USDA zone 6.

$11

**Iridaceae**

**Solanum pseudocapsicum**

False Jerusalem Cherry, Winter Cherry

We wouldn’t have believed its hardiness had we not been watching it thrive in a neighborhood garden for the past 7 years. White flowers followed by orange-red to scarlet fruit that is held a long time. Part to full sun with good draining soil. Makes and excellent container specimen where it will grow to about 2' tall and wide. Reseeds if temps dip below 10F.

$7

**Solanaceae**

**Speirantha convallarioides**

false lily of the valley

Charming liliaceous evergreen ground cover, one of the myriad from south and east Asia. With bold leaves, this one forms 12" leafy rosettes of deep green slowly spreading to form small colonies to 3 ft or so at home in the deepest, darkest shade. The flowers are tiny trumpets, white and fragrant, appearing in spring and again in fall. Very good for a tropical effect. Needs summer moisture. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

$15

**Asparagaceae**
**Stachyurus salicifolius**
willow leaf spiketail

Elegant evergreen shrub from China with long and narrow pointed, rain-tipped leaves on arching stems to 6-8 ft tall x 5-6 ft wide. In winter pendulous chains of white-to-greenish-white blooms tantalize for a long time from bud to bloom. Truly striking year round and wonderful arching out over banks. Morning with afternoon shade, or dappled shade with regular summer water for best performance. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7.

$16

**Stachyuraceae**

**Sternbergia lutea**
autumn daffodil

A fall-bloomer, joining with autumn crocuses to provide cheerful fall color, this Mediterranean native has been cultivated in the US since colonial times. An amaryllis relation, in miniature, to only 6" tall or so, with bright yellow flowers in October. Best in bright, hot spots -- full sun or just a bit of shade -- but protected from winter winds and, preferably, from below freezing weather. Easily frost hardy in USDA zone 9 and above; possible with mulch and careful siting in USDA zone 8. Our clone from the University of California at Davis.

$9

**Amaryllidaceae**

**Stomatum sp. 'Compact'**

$8

**Aizoaceae**

**Strobilanthes sp. - green ribbed**

$9

**Acanthaceae**

**Tephrocactus articulatus** - white spined clone
paper spined cholla

This opuntia relative, one of our collections taken years ago from northwestern Argentina, grows into pyramidal clumps of 18" or so, each pad nearly round with thick, white "crows feet" toward the tip of each one. Established plants display yellow flowers. A good dry garden species in USDA zone 8b or above with protection from excess winter moisture. (Note: If plants become exceedingly dry, pads easily disarticulate.)

$14

**Cactaceae**

**Tephrocactus articulatus** var. strobiliformis
pinewood cactus

Weird and wonderful opuntia relative from northwest Argentina, this form looking for all the world like a stack of conifer cones... or various other things the imagination might conjure. Lovers of heat, drought and sun. Decent drainage, summer water, winter drought with frost hardiness to a little below 20F, USDA zone 9 or so. Otherwise fabo container plant to amuse friends and frighten neighbors.

$16

**Cactaceae**

**Thalictrum ichangense** [seedlings]

A shimmering herbaceous jewel to add to the shady border or woodland garden. Grows to approximately 12" x 12" and performs best in fertile, moisture retentive soil in shade to part shade. Frost hardy to USDA zone 4.

**Ranunculaceae**
Trachelospermum 'Woodlanders Yellow' [080539]
Another star jasmine from Bob McCartney in Aiken, South Carolina, this one very similar to *T. jasminoides* 'Mandianum' but, in our opinion, with more abundant and darker yellow flowers. An exceptionally durable, hardy star jasmine, to 10-12 ft, with shiny, leathery, dark green leaves and fragrant, creamy flowers at the yellow edge of the species’ variation. Regular summer water in full sun for most fragrant bloom. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.

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*Apocynaceae*

Trachelospermum asiaticum 'Goshiki'
Another wonderful star jasmine, an evergreen vine climbing or spreading on the ground to 6 ft, with leaves emerging pink and turning to cream and green. Fragrant yellow flowers add to the attraction on mature plants. Can be kept as a mounding shrub as well. Light shade is best with some summer water. Frost hardy to the mid teens F, USDA zone 8b.

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*Apocynaceae*

Trachelospermum asiaticum 'Hatsuyuki'
An Asian star jasmine, very like our *T. ‘First Snow’* (the English translation of ‘Hatsuyuki’) but slower growing and shrubbier, so kept separate in order to distinguish these different habits. As with *T. ‘First Snow’* the leaves emerge pinkish white adding green then turning mostly green with age, creating a wonderful color texture in the garden. Sun to part shade with summer water. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7. Also useful as an indoor plant.

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*Apocynaceae*

Trachelospermum asiaticum 'Ogon'
Diminutive Asian jasmine, to only 2 ft wide by 6” tall -- can grow larger in time, with shiny gold leaves under 1" on orangey stems and, in spring, creamy, nearly yellow flowers. Wonderful for spilling over planters or as a small scale ground cover. Especially striking with black mondo grass, but isn’t everything? Does well with regular summer water in shade to full sun, though the colors can bleach in the brightest light. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8.

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*Apocynaceae*

Trachelospermum jasminoides 'Madison'
A selection several years ago from Madison, Georgia where several species, some thought to be quite frost hardy were killed in a sub 0F freeze. This free flowering selection has 1 1/2" rounded leaves, quite felty on the reverse, and nearly 1/2" palest yellow flowers in great abundance in spring through early summer, then sporadically through fall. Makes a fine ground cover or pot specimen. One plant near our Portland home graces a 2 1/2 story chimney and is drop-dead gorgeous. Full sun to partial shade; at home in full shade but flowers more sparsely. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, possibly even brief dips into upper zone 6.

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*Apocynaceae*
*Trachelospermum jasminoides 'Variegatum'*  
Star jasmine  
A pretty and delicate form brought from England in 1997, this cultivar is as vigorous as the species but the leaves, measuring about 1/2" x 2", are margined and streaked creamy white and plants show a great propensity for climbing. Sweetly scented flowers, more white than cream, in great abundance but small. Makes a wonderful contrast with other climbing vines with dark green leaves, e.g., creeping figs (*Ficus pumila*) or climbing evergreen hydrangeas (*Hydrangea seemanii*). We have used this in dark courtyards with such plants as variegated forms of *Fatsia japonica* and variegated aspidistra to great effect. Shade to sun, though not likely to flower in deepest shade. Fertile, well-watered soil preferably. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7.  
$14

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*Kumaoon fan palm*  
A vigorous chusan palm, grown from closed pollinated seed originally collected by Hoffman years ago in Mt. Takil. The adult plants have exceptionally large fronds, standing upwards of 4-5 ft and bending in a uniform manner giving the tree a robust and almost weeping effect. Growth is quick, sometimes more than 18" of trunk per year in happy times. It is possible that these tend toward similar palms growing nearby and now called T. nova. Elegant in any case, in sun or dappled shade in rich soil with summer water where dry. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7 though fans can tatter below 10F, regrowing in summer.  
$12

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*Tradescantia 'Blue & Gold'*  
Slow-growing spiderwort with soft, foliage golden -- more golden in bright light and more chartreuse in shady conditions -- and stunning, deep, iris-blue flowers, an amazing contrast over a long season. To 18" tall in clumps as wide. Can be cut back in summer to refresh and reshape. Sun for best color or part shade with regular summer water. Easy in the garden, even enjoying very moist spots. Frost hardy to -20F, USDA zone 5. Also known as *T. 'Sweet Kate.'*  
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*Cobweb spiderwort, gossamer plant*  
Fuzzy leaved spiderwort, appearing as if its pale green leaves were covered with...yes... spiderwebs. Low growing and spreading, to 10-12” x 18”, with striking magenta flowers in summer through autumn. Showy in containers or the garden. Found in the mountains of northern Mexico, they prefer sun and are easy growers, needing little water and generally thriving on neglect. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7, in a well-drained environment.  
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*Tricyrtis 'Lightning Strike'*  
Striking toad lily, literally, with handsome imbricate leaves streaked spring green and dark and light yellow. The late season, deep purple flowers make a delightful contrast. Perfect plant for the shade garden where even moisture can be applied and slugs and snails can be denied. Quickly makes a substantial clump. Regular fertilizer and mulch is helpful. Probably USDA zone 4, even colder with mulch.  
$12

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Ugni molinae 'Flambeau' variegated chilean guava
Fabulous foliage, the small leaves variegated in green, creams, and pink on this small, evergreen shrub, slowly to 3 ft tall x 4 ft wide. Flowers are nodding pink bells that produce delicious edible berries in the fall. Sun to part sun with shelter from wind, well-drained soil and consistent water. Frost hardy to mid USDA zone 8. $14 Myrtaceae

Umbellularia californica SBH 7635
8-10 ft, narrow, upright, and columnar small leaves $15 Myrtaceae

Vaccinium darrowii 'Native Blue'
Low-growing, compact evergreen scrub blueberry with tiny bright green leaves, pretty white blossoms in spring, and an abundance of deep blue, flavorful berries in early summer. Foliage is spectacular, with new leaves blushing pink in early spring and acquiring purple-rust tones in fall. Height and width to 3 ft. Excellent in a wide variety of soil types as long as somewhat acidic. Also makes a good container specimen. Full to part sun. Slow growing. Great for coastal landscapes. Frost hardy to USDA zone 8. $16

Vaccinium ovatum SBH 9143 $15 Ericaceae

Vaccinium ovatum var. compacta SBH 7470.1

Viburnum aff. henryi
A particularly graceful shrub, larger in leaf and stature than the V. henryi that we have been growing for years, this with narrow and shiny leaves, to 5" or more, emerging with reddish coloration, maturing towards orange, and taking on a lovely sunset orange hue in frosty weather. White, late spring flowers look lovely against the evergreen foliage. This clone, shared with us by Scott McMahon several years ago, likes typical viburnum conditions -- shade to mostly sun with summer water in summer dry climates. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7. $14 Caprifoliaceae / Adoxaceae

Viburnum harryanum sir harry veitch's viburnum
Diminutive species, to under 3-4 ft in five years, with arching branches and nearly round, spring-green leaves under 1/3". The flowers, in scale, are small and creamy white with small black berries late in season. At home in woodland gardens, but should be planted where large, falling leaves cannot smother it. Also at home in full sun and in containers with regular moisture and fertilization. Frost hardy to 10F, USDA zone 8; possibly upper USDA zone 7. $14 Caprifoliaceae / Adoxaceae

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**Viburnum plicatum f. tomentosum 'Cascade'**

Large and handsome, deciduous shrub, to 10 ft tall and up to 12 ft wide, this cultivar somewhat smaller than the species, horizontally branched with dark green leaves. A striking structure alone, and magnificent with the long-lasting, white, lace-cap-like flowers, up to 4” across in late spring to early summer, and the red fruit that follows. Full sun to part shade with consistent summer water for best appearance. Tolerant of seaside conditions and said to be deer resistant. Frost hardy to -30F, USDA zone 4.

$16

**Viburnum propinquum**

Truly striking, evergreen viburnum from central and western China, to 6-8 ft tall x 4-6 ft wide, with shiny, dark green leaves on reddish stems. Late spring/early summer flowers are greenish white cymes followed by blue to black fruit in autumn. Average summer water in full to part sun; a bit of afternoon shade in hottest climates. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7. One of the best and a great substitute for the more common *V. davidii*.

$12

**Vitis vinifera 'Argentea'**

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**Weigela 'Loymansii Aurea'**

Glowing yellow foliage emerges in spring and gradually fades to spring green on this handsome, deciduous shrub, to 4-6 ft tall and as wide. Pink flowers brushed with purple appear in late spring and early summer adding yet more bright cheer. Bright light with protection from the hottest sun keeps the foliage fresh along with regular summer water. Frost hardy in USDA zone 5.

$13

**x Fatsheera lizei - large leaf**

$12

**x Graptosedum 'Vera Higgins'**

Striking intergeneric hybrid to 4-5” and spreading with round pinky purple leaves, the color becoming more intense in winter. Full sun for best coloration; also best with some summer water. Otherwise, good drainage. Surprisingly frost hardy -- to 15F or so - mid USDA zone 8. Great addition to trough or container.

$9

**x Sedeveria 'Harry Butterfield'**

$7

**x Sycoparrotia semidecidua**

Useful small garden tree, to 10-15 ft, a hybrid between drought tolerant Parrotia persica (Persian Ironwood) & evergreen Sycopsis sinensis (Chinese Fighazel) -- semi-deciduous as the name implies, growing in a graceful, narrow pyramidal form with layered branches. Late deciduous, if at all, with late winter, dark orange petalled flowers. Frost hardy to 5F - mid USDA zone 8 - or below. Full sun to dappled shade.

$14

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Xerophyllum tenax  
**bear grass**
A grass-like, evergreen perennial, native to the western states and once used in basket-making. Leaves are grassy and flowers are not -- spectacularly so. Rather they are fluffy plumes of white standing above the foliage on stems to 4 ft tall. Gorgeous in a large grouping. Happy in well-drained soil in sun to part shade and drought tolerant once established. Frost hardy to -10F, USDA zone 6.

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**Melanthiaceae**

Yucca aloifolia 'Blue Boy'
A plant Sean knew at the Berkeley Botanic garden, now sometimes sold as *Y. aloifolia* 'Purpurea', with somewhat soft, arching leaves that are green with purplish highlights in summer, turning more red in winter temperatures. Very tropical. To 4-6 ft. Sun to part sun and well-drained, lean soil with only occasional summer water once established. Frost hardy to 15 to 20F, mid USDA zone 8. An outstanding pot plant.

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**Agavaceae**

Yucca baccata

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Yucca baccata var. vespertina 'Hualampai Blue'
A new Cistus introduction. From our earliest days of botanically exploring the rich area from south western Utah to northern Arizona we’ve noticed the banana yucca, with forms there having upright, very blue leaves looking much like a misplaced sanseverria. This clone, from the south side of the Colorado river in Mojave County, is one of the bluest of the blue. Slowly offsetting clumps have upright leaves, to 4 ft or more, of pale blue adorned with curly filifers. The flowers, cream with nearly red bracts, rise to about 1/2 the leaf height ... but don’t hold your breath for the flowers. This is one of the prettiest yuccas we have come across. Tolerant of all kinds of miserable conditions including drought and poor soil but deserving decent drainage and little push of summer water in the driest spots. Frost hardy in USDA zone 4!

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**Agavaceae**

Yucca endlichiana
Rare and beautiful small species from northern Sonora. Each leaf remains under 6" and is a quite succulent, deep blue mottled purple. The plants form large caudices making them great for bonsai. But possibly the most intriguing feature is their beetle pollinated flowers that are maroon-black and hang to rest on the ground near the plant. Fullest sun. USDA zone 8 if drainage is excellent, possibly with protection from winter wet.

$22

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**Agavaceae**

Yucca filifera
Tree forming yucca and one of the most sculptural, the trunk eventually forming a swollen base and slowly branching. To upwards of 15 ft tall, with 2 ft rosettes of tightly held blue-green leaves covered with delicately intertwining filifers. Fabulous garden or container specimen for full sun and well-drained soil. Happy with summer moisture and winter drought, though quite versatile provided temperatures don't drop below 15F for extended periods. Cold hardy into the mid teens, mid-USDA zone 8; colder with exceptional drainage.

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**Yucca recurvifolia 'Gold Ribbons'**

A Cistus introduction. This large growing native, from the Carolinas to the Gulf in sandy spots, forms a stunning rosette of weeping leaves and eventually a trunk to 4-5 ft. The plant is useful in all forms but *Y. recurvifolia 'Gold Ribbons'* can serve as a striking focal point or container plant with its blue dusted leaves and wide center strip of deep creamy yellow. We have used it as a substitute for the more spectacular, gold variegated, New Zealand flax (Phormium) in exposed or particularly frosty areas. Did we say spectacular? Fairly dry to quite damp conditions; decent drainage a plus. Full sun to dappled shade. Not advisable to let too many leaves collect in the crown if in shade. USDA zone 7; 6 in protected spots.

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\text{Yucca recurvifolia 'Gold Ribbons'} & \text{Agavaceae} \\
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**Yucca recurvifolia 'Margarita'**

Fabulous yucca, evergreen with soft foliage, variegated in creamy yellow striped green with green edges. Very showy. Slow growing, to 4 ft x 6 ft eventually, with tall spikes of ivory bell flowers in summer. Best in full sun to part shade with occasional summer water for best appearance. Frost hardy in USDA zone 7. Recently changed from *Yucca recurvifolia 'Margaritaville'*.  

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\text{Yucca recurvifolia 'Margarita'} & \text{Agavaceae} \\
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**Yucca schottii 'Chiricahua High'**

schott's yucca, mountain yucca  
A Cistus Introduction, our collection from near the summit of the Chiricahua Mts., a hardy yucca with very blue-gray leaves, to 3 ft long and sharply pointed, both stiff and more flexible than other "tree" yuccas. Eventually to 10 ft tall, single-trunked in youth to about 6 ft tall x 4 ft wide, then multi-trunked. Early summer flowers are white on tall stalks. For sun to part shade. An excellent garden species, both very drought tolerant and very frost hardy, accepting temperatures to -10F, USDA zone 6.

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\text{Yucca schottii 'Chiricahua High'} & \text{Agavaceae} \\
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**Yucca whipplei var. parishii 6802**

Our collection, from southernmost California, of what we think is the subspecies, producing compact, powder-blue rosettes, somewhat hesitant to offset. To about 3.5' high and wide with stoutly spine-tipped leaves, perfect for directing the mailman from cutting across the garden. The plants flower after about a dozen years, if happy, producing few offsets. Very well-drained soil, though this species is considered the only truly winter-rainfall yucca. Full sun to dappled shade. Good air circulation in rainy places. USDA zone 8.

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\text{Yucca whipplei var. parishii 6802} & \text{Agavaceae} \\
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**Zantedeschia aethiopica 'Green Goddess'**

big green calla lily  
Tired of those cliché, pure white calla lilies? These beautiful, green-tipped callas grow bigger and more robustly than your average ‘I don’t know where they came from; they were here when we bought the house’ plants. Striking flowers are truly green with white centers, appearing in mid to late summer on plant to 2-3 ft tall. Full to part sun with regular summer water. Frost hardy in USDA zone 6.

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\text{Zantedeschia aethiopica 'Green Goddess'} & \text{Araceae} \\
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**Zantedeschia aethiopica 'Hercules'**

hercules calla lily  
A truly large form of calla lily that we obtained from Western Hills Nursery in Occidental, CA, bigger in both leaves and flowers -- and, of course, better. Leaves are spotted with cream dots and 8-10”, white flowers appear in early spring on stalks up to 6 ft tall. Full sun to part shade with adequate summer water. Frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7. Bulbs can be mulched or lifted in colder climates.

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\text{Zantedeschia aethiopica 'Hercules'} & \text{Araceae} \\
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Zauschneria 'UC Hybrid'

Hybrid California fuschia from the U.C. Botanic Garden in Berkeley, or maybe not, with gray foliage and large scarlet blooms in summer and fall. Full sun and excellent drainage are must needs for this plant to thrive, though it can tolerate poor soils just fine. Height 12-18" and about 3-4' wide. Excellent for slopes and as a foreground plant in dry, sunny areas that receive little attention. Frost hardy to USDA zone 7, around 10 degrees.

$12

Zauschneria californica 'Carman's Grey'

Masses of clear orange-red flowers cover this low, native, ground cover in late summer through autumn, just when you think the garden has gone to bed. To only 1.5 ft tall or so, this small, die-back shrub spreads by traveling rhizomes -- just enough to provide a lovely show. Best in full sun, little summer water once established, and soil that drains well, e.g, a hillside planting. This form, selected by Ed Carman for its silver foliage and particularly bright flowers, is frost hardy to 0F, USDA zone 7. Also known as Epilobium canum 'Carman's Grey' but we still think 'zauschneria' sounds prettier.

$12

Zauschneria canum 'John Bixby'

A new introduction from the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden in Claremont, CA with soft gray-green leaves and particularly large scarlet flowers. This selection gets slightly taller than the typical native species, to 18" tall, and 4-5' wide. Full sun in well-drained soil. Excellent on slopes or in the mixed border. Hummingbird attractor. Frost hardy to upper USDA zone 7.

$14

Zingiber 'White Feather'

Dense clumps of long, handsome, green leaves edged in creamy white. This is the reverse variegation pattern of Z. mioga 'Dancing Crane.' This variegated form reaches 3ft tall and multiplies quickly to form a clump to 5 ft wide. Small, creamy white flowers appear at the base of the stalks in late summer and early fall. Best to avoid the hot afternoon sun and provide plentiful summer water. Easy and frost hardy to at least 0F, USDA zone 7 and possibly colder.

$15

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