

Native Plants for Native Bees



MANZANITAS

All species and cultivars are suitable
 Bloom time: January - March
 Early blooms support bumble bee queens

BUCKWHEATS

Eriogonum spp.
 Bloom time: April - October
 Late season blooms provide nectar and pollen



ASTERS AND SUNFLOWERS

e.g. seaside daisy, woolly sunflower, goldenrod, coyote brush
 Bloom time: March - October
 Lots of pollen and nectar in each compound flower

SOFT-LEAVED SHRUBS

e.g. California rose, redbud, western azalea, spicebush
 Leaves are used as nesting material by leafcutter bees



CEANOTHUS

All species and cultivars are suitable
 Bloom time: February - May
 Lots of flowers at once for efficient foraging

SAGES

e.g. Cleveland sage, Sonoma sage, white sage, hummingbird sage, purple sage
 Bloom time: February - June
 Rich source of nectar and pollen



ANNUAL WILDFLOWERS

e.g. Clarkias, poppies, lupines, tarweed
 Bloom time: March - October
 Lots of variety and bloom times