



COMPANION PLANTS

Cleome isomeris

Dendromecon rigida

Eriogonum fasciculatum

Opuntia littoralis

Ornithostaphylos oppositifolia

Quercus berberidifolia

Rhus integrifolia

Salvia munzii

Simmondsia chinensis

Agave shawii, SHAW'S AGAVE

The largest grower of California native plants in the state, Tree of Life Nursery has been located on the historic Rancho Mission Viejo in San Juan Capistrano for over 20 years. Largely a wholesale nursery, the *Roundhouse Plant Store* is open to the public Fridays year-round and Saturdays in fall and spring. For those interested in learning more, we offer a large selection of books on the California region regarding landscaping and horticulture, natural history, conservation, and more. The nursery's catalog, "Plants of El Camino Real," is a beautifully arranged collection of information about the plants we grow, with helpful hints for landscapers and gardeners looking for the right plant for the right place. Come experience Tree of Life for yourself!

Shaw's Agave is a 3 by 3 foot rosette-forming perennial with stiff, dark green leaves with toothed margins. Occurring primarily on the coast of southern and Baja California, Shaw's Century Plant forms colonies of smaller rosettes, eventually covering an area up to 8 feet across. After reaching maturity (usually 10-20+ years), the plant sends up a flower stalk 3 to 12 feet tall, and the large blossoms are bright yellow. Use it as an accent in naturalistic desert plantings, in containers, rock gardens, dry slopes and borders. For small gardens, maintain only 3 to 5 additional rosettes. The flowers are pollinated by butterflies and bees.

PLANT PROFILES

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