

## MAKES AN EXCELLENT SUBSTITUTE FOR:

Eucalyptus
Liquidambar
Liriodendron
Magnolia
Melaleuca
Podocarpus
Tristania

Lyonothamnus floribundus asplenifolius, FERNLEAF CATALINA IRONWOOD

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 horti-culture, 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!

Catalina Ironwood is a tall, upright, evergreen tree endemic to the Channel islands. It grows best in coastal regions where it will reach 30-60 feet tall by 25 feet wide. In inland areas, choose a location that is protected from the afternoon sun. This is a distinctive specimen tree ideal for use on banks and slopes, in canyons, parkways and wherever a tall screen is needed. Large, creamy white flower clusters occur in late spring and early summer. Plant Ironwoods in full sun to part shade and water deeply once a month. For an authentic, channel island nature garden, create an Ironwood grove with 3 to 5 or more trees and plant the understory with Baccharis pilularis, Heteromeles arbutifolia, Polypodium californicum, Prunus lyonii and Rhus integrifolia. Other island endemics include Eriogonum giganteum, Ceanothus arboreus, Dendromecon harfordii, Heuchera maxima and Ribes thacherianum.

PLANT PROFILES

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