

As an adaptation to the arid climate in which they grow, many California native plants have high concentrations of oils that are very pleasantly fragrant. Many of these fragrances will bring a sense of place to your garden as they are distinctly southwestern aromas. Some of them will permeate the air after a refreshing rain, while others will smell good baking in the sun. Simply rub or crush leaves to release these sweet, minty, pungent and balmy perfumes. Try planting them next to a path, where passersby will brush against them. You're sure to find them irresistible! Below is a list of plants you will commonly find at Tree of Life Nursery.

*Artemisia californica*

California Sagebrush, full sun to part shade

*Calycanthus occidentalis*

Spicebush, full sun to part shade

*Cleome isomeris* (this one is an acquired smell!)

Bladderpod, full sun

*Cupressus forbesii*

Tecate Cypress, full sun

*Hyptis emoryi*

Desert Lavender, full sun to part shade

*Juniperus californica*

California Juniper, full sun to part shade

*Lepechinia fragrans*

Fragrant Pitcher Sage, full sun to part shade

*Monardella* species

Coyote Mint, full sun to full shade

*Pycnanthemum californicum*

California Mint, part sun to full shade

*Ribes malvaceum*

Chaparral Currant, part shade

*Ribes viburnifolium*

Catalina Perfume, full sun to full shade

*Salvia* species

Sage, full sun to part shade

*Clinopodium chandleri*

San Miguel Savory, part shade to full shade

*Clinopodium douglasii*

Yerba Buena, part shade to full shade

*Trichostema lanatum*

Woolly Blue Curlys, full sun to part shade

*Umbellularia californica*