

Attractive and reliable California native varying from groundcover to large shrub. Most have small white to pinkish flowers appearing in winter to early spring; many have attractive red to purplish bark. Groundcover varieties provide good erosion control.

Suggested varieties: 'Carmel Sur' (groundcover); 'Howard McMinn' (medium to large shrub); 'Louis Edmonds' (medium to large shrub); 'Sentinel' (medium shrub with open form)

Other: Prefers well drained, acid to neutral soil. Needs some water when new growth is tender and inland during summer. Attracts hummingbirds and bees.

More Information: http://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/details.aspx?&plant=2 http://www.laspilitas.com/groups/manzanita_arctostaphylos/Manzanita.html