



6.2 Western Cordillera



Tickseed

(*Coreopsis tinctoria*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low
SEASON OF INTEREST: Summer through fall
HEIGHT: 2-4 ft
DURATION: Annual
 This playful prairie species is a favorite of butterflies with striking flowers up to 2 inches across. It is easy to grow, can self seed, is ignored by deer, and is relatively pest and disease free.
 *Not native to southern half of ecoregion



Cutleaf daisy

(*Erigeron compositus*)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun
WATER: Low
SEASON OF INTEREST: Spring through fall
HEIGHT: 1-3 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 Drought tolerant with lush foliage, this plant keeps its leaves through dry periods. The showy yellow blooms appear from spring to the first frost.



Fleabane Daisy

(*Erigeron speciosus*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Summer through fall
HEIGHT: 1-2 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This long blooming and virtually disease free flower provides resources to pollinators for months. Cut it back to encourage more flowers and growth.
 *Not native to CA



Common Sunflower

(*Helianthus annuus*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low to average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Mid through late summer
HEIGHT: 3-10 ft
 (dwarf varieties available)
DURATION: Annual
 These tall and showy flowers are easy and fun to grow, and the seeds are great for birds. Put only one plant in each pot and provide support as the plant grows.



Hairy False Goldenaster

(*Heterotheca villosa*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low
SEASON OF INTEREST: Late spring through fall
HEIGHT: 1-3 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This plant blooms 3-4 months starting in late spring. The bright yellow flowers produce a sage-like aroma and attract butterflies. It is drought tolerant and can thrive in poor soil as long as it is well-draining.



Silvery Lupine

(*Lupinus argenteus*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low
SEASON OF INTEREST: Summer
HEIGHT: 1-3 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This species has stunning silvery-green leaves with spikes of blue to violet flowers. They are particularly attractive to hummingbirds and butterflies. Plant in a deep pot due to long roots.



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Western Coneflower

(*Rudbeckia occidentalis*)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Average

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Summer through fall

HEIGHT: 2-6 ft

DURATION: Perennial

This unique flower has a large central cone with abundant pollen and nectar. Deadheading promotes further blooms, and this species is deer resistant with no serious pests or diseases.

*Not native in NM and SD



White Heath Aster

(*Symphyotrichum ericoides*)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Low to average

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Late summer through fall

HEIGHT: 1-3 ft

DURATION: Perennial

This densely blooming and compact plant resembles a spreading Juniper shrub when not in bloom. This low maintenance species does not have any serious pests or diseases.

*Not native to CA and NV



Smooth Aster

(*Symphyotrichum laeve*)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Low to average

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Late summer through fall

HEIGHT: 2-4 ft

DURATION: Perennial

These small and densely blooming flowers are a striking blue to purple color with a golden-yellow center. This species has no serious pests or diseases.

*Not native to western parts of ecoregion