Pollinator Plant List for Northern California Per Bloom Season

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Common Name	Scientific Name	Nectar	Pollen Source	0.3501		Color		/	/ \ /	18 S	/ 5/	1 25/	25/	s/	A POSITI SEED	et of	6.130	digito		
Common Nume	Scientific Nume	Source for	for Honey	Bloom Seaso		, et l se l'acceptant de la company de la co		Zille/	uig, 19	1,41 ₀₁	ole /	8 / S		15/5	Cho Segar H	ONE tritito!	5 /	Tille		
		Honey Bees	Bees	Bloo.		int Flore	18	20th	Dil.	oech (se	\\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\	YOU	BILL .	101 Nos	Liles	18 Been	1		80°	Special Notes
Alder	Alnus	,	major	/ ·	X	pink	<u> </u>	_`/	X	<u> </u>	X	X	·/	• •		Ť	<u> </u>	X		·
Alfalfa	Medicago saltiva	major	minor		X	purple, blue		Х				X	Y					Α		
Almond	Prunus dulcis	major	major	Jan Feb.		white		^	х			X	^						-	Honey from bees who forage only on almonds is very bitter
Alsike Clover	Trifolium hybridum	minor	minor	July - Aug.	X	white or pink		х				X	X							very good for honey bees. Host to Greenish Blue butterfly
Apple	Malus	minor	minor	July 71ug.	X	white, pink		^	х		Y	Y	^					Х		ery good for money bees, most to direction blue buttering
Ash	Fraxinus sp.	none	minor	Feb Mar.		white			X		^	X	X					Α		Host to Two-tailed Swallowtail butterfly
Aster	Aster chilensis Nees	major	major	summer to early fall	XXX	pale lavender, blue, light purple	Х	X		X	X		X	Х	Х					Host to Northern Checkerspot, Field Crescent butterfly
Autumn joy	Sedum	minor	major	October	X	red		X			X	X	X	Α	Α					lost to Northern encokerspot, their encountry
Bachelor buttons / Corn Flower	Centaurea cyanus	major	minor	May - Sept.	x x	blue, purple,white, pink		X			X	X	X	Х	Х	Х	Х			
Barberry	Berberis spp	minor	minor	Mid April - May	X	purple, red, yellow	X	Y	Y		Y	Y	^	Α		Α		Х		Japanese barberry is considered invasive
Basil	Ocimum	minor		August	X	magenta, purple, white	Α	^	Y		X	X	_	X	Х			Α	÷	apariese barberry is considered invasive
Basswood or American Linden	Tilia spp.	major		June	X	yellow			У	Х		X	Х	Α	X					
Bee Balm	Monarda didyma	major		mid summer	X	red, lavender		x	^	^		_	X		Α		Х			
Birdsfoot trefoil	Lotus corniculatus	major	minor	June - Sept.	X	yellow		X				X					^			
birdsioot treion	Lotus cormiculatus	major	IIIIIIIII	June - Jept.	^	yellow		^			^	^	X						-	native bees are not as attracted to this flower as raspberries.
																				"Himalayan" blackberry Rubus armeniacus is rated as "hive"
Blackberry	Rubus spp.	major	minor	May - June	X	white, pale pink		Х		Х		Х							X i	invasive.
Blanket Flower	Gaillardia xgrandiflora van Houtte	minor	minor	late spring to early fall	X X X	red with yellow tips, yellow with orange tips		Х				Х								
Black Sage	Salvia mellifera	major	major	March - July	X X	white, light blue	X	X		Х	Χ	Х			Х		Χ			
Black-eyed Susan	Rudbeckia spp.		minor	June - Oct.	X	yellow			X			Χ	X		Х					
Blue Dicks	Dichelostemma capitatum	minor		March - May	Х	purple, lavender, violet		Х				Х							_	
Bluebells	Hyacinthoides non-scripta			Late April - May	Х	blue		Х				Х	X						_	
Blueberry	Vaccinium spp.	major	minor		Х	white, pale pink or red		X	X	Х		Х							Х	
Borage	Borago	major	minor	Nov Feb.	X X				X			Х								
Bottle brush	Melaleuca	minor	major	Dec June		white				Х		Х					Χ			
Bottle brush	Callistemon	major	major	Apr - May	X	red				Х		Х					Χ			
Bottle brush - White	Callistemon salignus	major	major	Dec June		white				Х		Х					Х			
Bridal wreath	Spiorea	major	minor		X	white, pink			Х		Χ	Х	X							Host to Butterfly larvae & adult including Bramble Hairstreak,
Buckwheat	Fagopyrum esculentum	minor			X	white, pink	x		x		X	Х	x	Х	х	X				Dotted Blue, Mormon Metalmark butterfly
Burroughsia fastigiata	Burroughsia fastigiata	major			X X	white with pink						Х							_	rare
Butterfly bush	Buddleia	minor	minor		X	blue		Х				Х	Х			Х	Х			Varieties will vary attraction rates
Button bush	Cephalanthus occidentails	minor	minor	June - Aug.	X	white		Х				Х		Х	Х			X		
California Brickelbush	Brickhellia californica	minor			x x	red				Х		Х	_					Х		
California Aster	Lessingia Filaginifolia	minor			ХХ	lavendar		Х				Х	X							
California bay laurel	Umbellularia cal	minor	major	November - April	Х	pale yellow				Х		Х						Х		
California Fuchsia	Epiloblum canum latifolium	minor		all year	X X X X	red		Х				Х	Х				Х			
California Lilac	Ceanothus sp		major	late March - late April	Х	dark indigo blue	X	Χ		Х	Χ	Χ	X		Х			X	I	Host to Butterfly larvae & adult
California Poppy	Eschscholzia californica		minor	March - Sept	X X X	yellow, orange	X	Х	X		Χ	Χ	X		Х	Х			(California state flower
California Sunflower	Encelia californica Nutt.	minor	minor		Х	yellow	X	Х			Χ	Χ	X		Х					
Canola	Brassica campestris	major	minor																	
Cantaloupe	Cucumis	minor	minor		X															
Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa	minor	minor	May - July	X															
Catnip/Catmint	Nepta cataria	major	minor	late Summer	X			X												
Caucasian mint	Teucrium hyrcanicum	minor			X															
Charry sweet	Prunus	minor	minor		v	pink, white			х		х	х	x					x		Host to Two-tailed Swallowtail, Moss Elfin, Sonoran Blue butterfly. Prunus cerasifera is rated a "limited" invasive.
Cherry - sweet Chaste Tree	Vitex agnus-castus	major	HIIIOI	late Summer	X	pink, wille			X		X		^				Х	^	^	outterny, Frunus cerasiiera is rated a liffilled lifvasive.
Chestnuts	Castanea	major	minor	iate Juilliel	X						^	^					^			
Chicory	Chichorium intybus	minor	minor		^															
Chinese Houses	Colinsia heterophylla	minor	minor			purple	Х		X		X	Х	X						-	Host to Butterfly larvae & adult
Citrus	Citrus	major	minor	year round	X X X X		^		~		X						Х		Х	Total Constitution of the
Clematis	Clematis spp.	minor	minor	May	X	white or pink				~	~						X		^	
Coltsfoot	Tussilago fargara	major	minor	,	X	Time 5. pink											~			
Coneflower	Echinacea spp.				^	pink		х					X							
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Coast Rosemary	Westringia fruticosa	,		all year	X X X X	white		_ \		X	`	X	()			`	<u> </u>	.,
Coriander/Cilantro	Coriandrum sativum	major	major	·	X						Х	Χ	Х	Х				
Corn	Zea mays		major		X	yellow tassels			Х		Х							
Cosmos	Cosmos spp.	minor	minor	summer to early fall	ХХ	white, pink, lavender, crimson			Х	X	Х	X	X					
Cottonwood	Populus spp.		major	, .	Х					X	Х	Х						Host to Western Tiger Swallowtail, Mourning Cloak butterfly
Coyote Brush	Baccharis pilularis	major	minor		X X		Х	х		X		Х						Host to Butterfly larvae &adult
Coyote Mint	Monardella spp.	minor		late spring to summer	хх	purple, pink, white	X	Х		X	_							,
Creeping sage	Salvia sonomamensis	major	major	May - June	X													
Crocus	Crocus spp.	minor	major	early Spring	Х			Х										
Cucumber, squash	Cucumis	minor	minor	cany spinis	X													
edediniser, squasir	Cucums	minor	minor															this is a different plant than the invasive Hypochaeris radicata
Dandelion	Taracacum officinale	minor	major		X	yellow	X			X	Х							"hairy dandelion".
Desert Century Plant	Agave desertii	major			X						Х	Χ						
Dill	Anethum graveolens								Х			Х	Х					Host to Anise Swallowtail butterfly
Dogwood (California)	Cornus sessilis	minor			Х										>	X		·
Echium vulgare	Echium	major	minor	May - Sept.	X													
Elderberry	Sambucus nigra	minor	major	late Spring	X					X	Х					Х	Х	
Im	Ulmus spp.	honey dew	minor								Х	Х						Chinese elm hosts Mourning Cloak butterfly
Empress tree	Paulonia tomentosa	minor		April	X							~						
impress arec	Tudionia tomentosa	minor		7.0111	^													
Eucalyptus variety in CA "Gum"	Eucalyptus	major	major	Dec - Feb.	хх					X	Х)	X		Eucalyptus camaldulensis "red gum" is rated as Limited invasis
ennel	Foeniculum vulgare	major			X X	yellow				X	Х	X	X					Host to Anise Swallowtail butterfly
-lat-top buckwheat	Eriogonum fasciculatum	major			X	ľ												·
Flowering Cherry	prunus	minor		all year	x x x x	white, pink				X	Х	Х					Х	Host to Moss Elfin, Sonoran Blue butterfly
Foothill CA Fuchsia	Epilobium canum latifolium	minor		all year	x x x x													,
Globe Gilia, Ball Gilia, Blue Thimble	Gilia capitata Sims	minor	major	April & May	X	blue	Х		Х	X	Х							bright purple pollen
Golden Rain tree	Koelreuteria pan.	major	majo:	7.p &	X		- 7.		^	^								
Golden Yarrow	Eriophyllum confertiflorum	minor			X													
Goldenrod	Solidago spp.	major	minor		Х		X	Х		Y	Х	Y						
Grand mountain dandelion	Agosesis grandflora	major	IIIIIIIII		X		^	^		^	^	^						
		minor	minor	luno luly	X												v	
Guava	Feijoa sellowana		minor	June - July	X		Х	Х		V	Х						^	
Hairy Gum Plant	Grindelia hirsutula	minor	minor	early Spring		yellow	X	Λ		Α								
Hairy Vetch	Vicia villosa	major	major	June - July	X													Both "English" & "Common Hawthorn" is rated as limited
Hawthorn	Crataegus sp.	major			Х	white			Х	X	х					х х		invasive.
Hazelnut	Corylus spp.	majo.	major		X					X						, ,,		
Heather	Erica vulgaris	major	major	July - Oct.	X X	white, pink, red, purple		Х		X								
Hoary Fuchsia	Epilobium canum canum	major	minor	July - Oct.	X X	write, pilik, red, purple		^			X							
Holly	llex sp.	major	minor		^ ^					^	X							Ilex aquifolium "english holly" is rated a moderate invasive
Huckleberry		minor	minor							X							V	nex againmant engistritiony is fated a moderate invasive
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Vaccinium spp.		minor		X	white pink manya surala	Х	v		X	X	V				v	X	
Hyssop, Giant	Agastache	major	in-au			white, pink, mauve, purple	^	Х		X		X			,	X		
sland morning glory	Calystegia macrostegia	minor	minor		XX	lavandar		V		X		X						
Lavender	Lavandula spp.	major			X X	lavender		Х		X X	Х	X						
emon Balm - Melissa	Melissa officinalis	major			X								Х	Х				Host to Orange Sulphur, Marine Blue, Northern Cloudywing,
Lima Beans	Phaseolus lunatus	minor			X					X	Х	X						Funereal Duskywing butterfly
inden	Tilia cordata	minor		May - June	X X													
	Eriobotrya jap.	minor	minor	Nov Jan.	XX												Х	
Loquat		IIIIIOI		INOV Jail.	XXX												^	
Love-in-a-mist	Nigelia		minor		^ ^													Host to Boisduval's Blue, Arrowhead Blue, Persius Duskywing
Lupine	Lupinus polyphyllus		minor		x x	blue		Х		X	Х	X)	x		butterfly
Madrone	Arbutus menzeil	minor			X											Х		,
Magnolia	Magnolioideae					white			Х		Х							
Manzanita	Arctostaphulos manzanita	major	major	late winter to early spring		white,pink	Y	Х		X					,	X		
Maple	Acer spp.	minor	major	acc winter to early spring	X X			~	х		^							

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			for Honey	Bloom Seaso	dill		inte lone.	LA N	, ser	Ziso/	in the state of th	Zine .	Sel Tie	130/3	of diffies	Latt at	13	10 10	Sansial Nature
		Honey Bees	Bees	/ \$r	/ 5/	8/ 60/ 3	1 44	/ 0/	90/	b. 0	<u> </u>	4 4r	/ 8/	4/4	1 64	<u> </u>	<u>/ 👸</u>	<u> </u>	Special Notes
Marigold - lemon gem	Tagetes tenuifolia													X					
Mesquite	Prosopis spp.	major			Х														
Mexican Orange	Choisya	minor		April	X														
Mexican Sage/purple sage	Salvia leucantha	minor	minor		X												Х		
Milkweed - California	Asclepias californica	minor		July till frost		X X	violet	X	X		X	X	X						Host for Butterfly larvae & adults including the Monarch
Mint	Mentha	major				X X	white		Х										
Mock orange	Philadelphus californicus	minor		May - June		X													
Mulberry Jam Roseleaf Sage	Salvia involucrata	major	major	Aug Nov.		X X	pink, magenta		X		X	X	Χ				Х		
	_	honey dew								4/		4/							Host to California Hairstreak, Goldhunter's Hairstreak, California
Oak	Quercus	(from aphids)	major		Х					Х		Х	Х					Х	Sister, Propertius Duskywing, Mournful Duskywing butterfly
Oregano	Origanum vulgare			July - Sept.			pink, white		X		X	X							
Oriental Poppy	Papaver		minor		Х	X													
Parsley	Petroselinum crispum												Χ	X	X				Host to Anise Swallowtail butterfly
Passionflower	Passiflora	major	major		Х	X					X	X	Χ						Host to Gulf Fritillary butterfly
Peach	Prunus	minor	minor		Х		white			X	X	X	X					>	Host to Moss Elfin, Sonoran Blue butterfly
Pear	Pyrus	poor	minor		Х		white			X	X	X	X					>	Host to Moss Elfin, Sonoran Blue butterfly
Pincushion flower	Scabiosa	minor			Х	X X			Х		×	X	X						
																			Host for both butterfly & moth larvae & adults including the
Diameter's	Diameter and in a			luma Oak		v v					V V		v		V.				Common Buckeye butterfly. Plantago lanceolata is rated a
Plantain	Plantago major		minor	June - Oct.		X X	green to brown				X X		Х		X				"limited" invasive.
Pomegranate	Punica granatum	minor	minor	May - Fall		X	red or white			Х		X					Х	,	depends on variety
Pride of Madeira	Echium candicans L.f.	major	minor	March - April	Х		bluish purple		X		X	X							
Privit	Ligustrum	minor	minor			x	white				хх	x		x	х				pollen tend to be allergenic, part of the olive family,can become invasive
Pumpkin	Cucurbita	minor	minor	July		X	yellow					X						_	
Plum	Prunus	minor	minor	July	Х	^	white			Х		X						X >	
				coring to late cummer	X	v			х	^	V	_	v					^ /	
Purple cone flower	Echinacea purpurea	minor	minor	spring to late summer	^	^	purple		^		^	^	Х					_	A. foeniculum & A. rugasa have shorter blue flowers best for
Purple Haze	Agastache spp.					x	pink, purple, red, orange		Х		Х	Х					х		attracting bees.
Pussy willow	Salix discolor	minor	major		Х		white			Х	Х		Х		Х				-
Queen Anne's lace	Daucus carota	minor	minor			X	white		X		У	Х		Х					
Raspberry	Rubus spp.	major	minor	May - June	Х		white		x		У	X)	(
	eat Eriogonum grande var. rubescens		major	inay saire		X	rose-pink	X	X		y	X							•
Red bud	Cercis occidentails	minor	minor	Jan Feb.			magenta			х	y	X							
Red claws	Escallonia	minor	minor	Julii Tebi	Х		red				X X	a n							attracts bumble bees
Red Clover	Trifolium pratense	minor	minor		X	^	red		х			X	Χ			Х		_	attracts bumble bees & Greenish Blue butterfly
			IIIIIIIII	July - Sept.		X X	redish purple, pink, white		^	,		X	^			^			attracts bumble bees & dreemsn blue butterny
Rocky Mt. beeplant	Cleome serrulata	major					blue		X		х х		V						
Rosemary	Rosmarinus officinalis	major		March - July		^ ^	Diuc 		^		^ ^	^	^						
Pussian sage	Develope attickets	min o :	main a v	mid summer to early		v l	hluo		V			V	V		v		v		dur
Russian sage	Perovskia atriplicifolia	minor	minor	frost		X	blue		X			X	X		Х		X		drought tolerant
Salvia	Salvia/Farincea-strata	major	main au	May - first frost		X X X		V	^	V	X	X					X		some varieties are native
Smooth sumac	Rhus glabra	minor	minor	May - late June	Х	v v	greenish-yellow	X		X	X	X		v	.,		.,		,
Spider flower	Cleome hasslerana	major					pink		,	k .	X	X		X	X	X	Х)	
Star Jasmine	Trachelospermen	minor		Feb June	Х	X	white		Х		XX		Χ	Х				X	
Storksbill/Filaree	Erodium moschatum	minor	minor	July - August		X	purple, lavender		>			X							part of the geranium family
Strawberry	Fragaria xananassa	minor	minor		Х		white		X >			X			X)	
Summer breeze /giant hyssop	Agastache urticifolia	major					orange, yellow, white			X		X					X		
Sunflower	Helianthus spp.	minor	minor	summer to early fall		X X	,	X	>			X						X	select "unmodified" disk flowers over pollenless cultivars.
Tansy-leafed Phacelia	Phacelia tanacetifolia	major	major		Х		pale mauve-blue	X	>			X	X	X	X	X			
Tea tree	Leptospermum	minor			Х		red, purple			X		Х							
Thyme	Thymus	major	minor			X	white, lavender				Х	X		X	X				
Tidy tips	Layia platyglossa	minor			X		yellow		1	X		X							
Toyon or Calif. Holly	Heteromeles	major	minor			X X	red		Х		Х	Х							
Tulip poplar/Tuliptree	Liriodeudron tulipifera	major	major	Apr - May	Х		Yellow or pale green			Х		Х					Х		
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Veronica	Veronica longifolia	minor				х х	blue, red		X			Χ	Х	X						
Vetch	Vicia spp.	minor	none	June	Χ		pinkish purple			X		Χ	Х	Χ	X		Χ			Milkvetch hosts Silvery Blue, Acmon Blue butterfly
Wallum bottlebrush	Callistemon pachyphyllus		major			X	Red, yellowish green				Х		Х					Х		
Watermelon	Citrullus lanatus	minor	minor	June	Χ		yellow			X		Χ	Х							
White Dutch Clover	Trifolium repens	major	minor		Χ		white		X			Χ	Х	Χ		Х				Host to the Greenish Blue butterfly
White Sage	Salvia apiana	major				X	white		X			Χ						Х		
White sweet clover	Melilotus alba	major	major		Χ		white			X			Х	Χ		Х				Host to the Greenish Blue butterfly
Wild bergamont / horsemint	Monarda fistulosa	minor	minor	May - Aug.	Χ	X	magenta-purple, red		X			Χ	Х					Х		
Wild Buckwheat / Calif. Buckwheat	Eriogonum fasciculatum	major	major	April - Nov.	Χ	х х	white - cream			Х		Χ	Х							
Wild Onion	Allium	major			Χ	X	lavender					Χ	Х							
Wild Radish	Raphanus raphanistrum	minor	major			х	white, yellow, yellow & red, purple			х		х	х			х				Host to Swallowtail butterflies. Rasphanus sativus is rated a "limited" invasive.
Willow	Salix spp.	minor	major		Х		yellow, white, magenta			х			х	X						Host to Western Tiger Swallowtail, Sylvan Hairstreak, Mourning Cloak, Lorquin's Admiral butterfly
Yarrow	Achillea milleforlium		minor			X	yellow, white, red, lavender	X	X			X	Х	Χ	X		X			
Yellow cosmos, Sulphur cosmos	Cosmos sulphureus Cav.	minor	minor	summer to early fall		ХХ	yellow, orange			X		Χ								
Yellow sweet clover	Melilotus officinalis	major	major		Χ		yellow			X			Х	X						Host to the Greenish Blue butterfly
Zinnia	Zinnia violacea					X X	white, yellow, orange, red, purple, lilac		X	X				Χ	X			X		

Source: this list is a compilation from many sources including but not limited to Sonoma County Beekeepers Association "Plant 4 Bees" list, Frankie Lab (UC Berkeley) California Statewide Survey (http:helpabee.org)