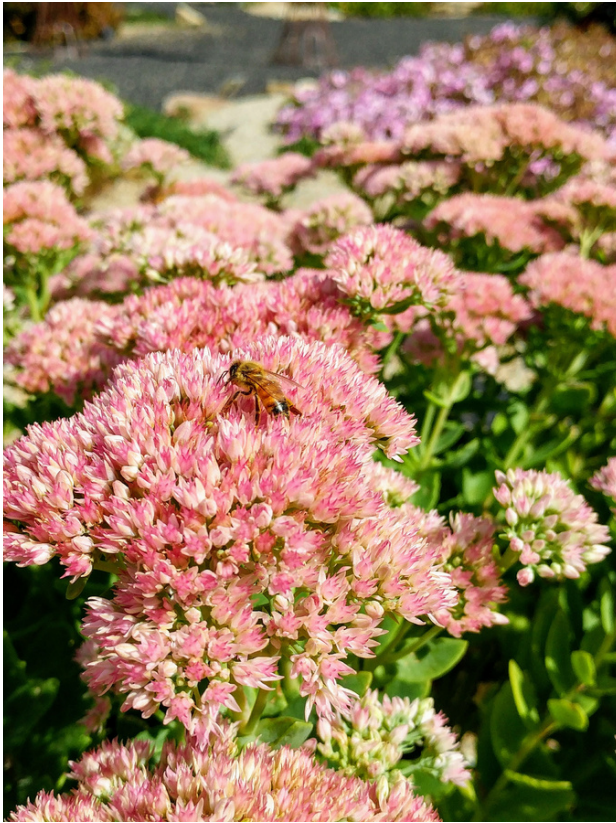


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PLANT COMBINATIONS FOR COLOR ALL SEASON







### Turkish Veronica, Speedwell

*Veronica liwanensis*

Ground cover

Bloom time, early spring, 2" x 18", sun to part shade, hardy to zone 4

Maintenance: minimal, hand rake or run hand over plant to remove any dead foliage in early spring



### Galaxy Glow Euphorbia, Spurge

*Euphorbia 'Galaxy Glow'*

Bloom time, early spring to summer, 3' x 3', sun to part shade, hardy to zone 6

*Note:* other recommended cultivars include 'Ascot Rainbow' & 'Ruby Glow'

Maintenance: remove flower stalks by the end of the season, remove fallen leaf debris annually, can be shaped to size if needed; gardener's caution - latex content



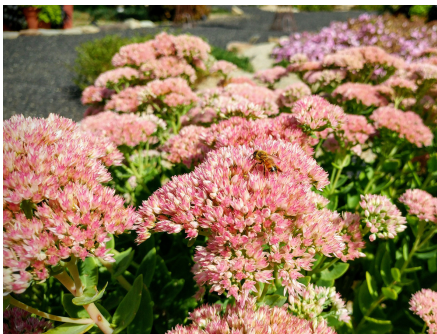
### Becky Shasta Daisy

*Leucanthemum x superbum 'Becky'*

Bloom time, summer to late summer, 3' x 3', sun to part sun, hardy to zone 4

*Note:* shorter, more compact cultivars of Shasta Daisy are also quite suitable

Maintenance: can be deadheaded to extend bloom period, prune flower stalks down to the ground by late fall or early spring; divide clumps every few years



### Autumn Joy Stonecrop, Sedum

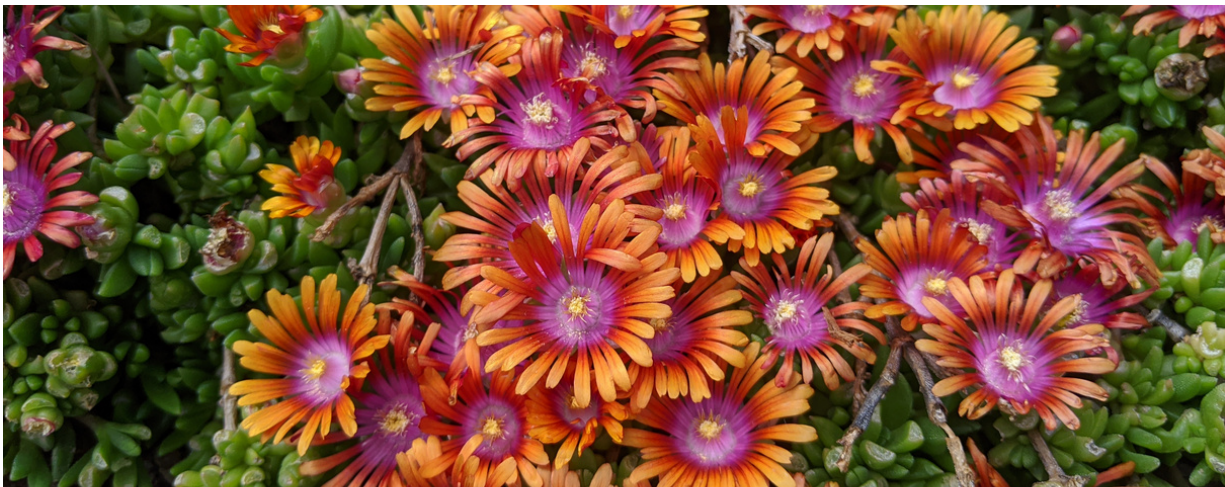
*Hylotelephium 'Autumn Joy'*

Bloom time, late summer, 2' x 2', sun, hardy to zone 3

*Note:* a similar recommended cultivar is 'Autumn Fire'

Maintenance: cut last season's stalks to the ground by early spring









### Yellow Wild Indigo

*Baptisia sphaerocarpa* 'Screamin' Yellow'

Bloom time, spring, maturing to 2-3' x 3-4' after a few years, sun to part sun, hardy to zone 5

Maintenance: cut back the entire plant to the ground by late fall to early winter; does not transplant well, choose planting site carefully



### Fire Spinner® Hardy Ice Plant

*Delosperma hybrida*

Ground cover, succulent

Bloom time, mid-spring through summer, 2" x 12-18", sun to part sun, hardy to zone 5

Maintenance: water regularly during its first growing season, take care not to overwater in subsequent years; pinch off old blooms if desired



### Junior Walker™ Catmint

*Nepeta x faassenii*

Bloom time, late spring to late summer, 16" x 30-36", sun to part sun, hardy to zone 5, long blooming

Maintenance: cut down by at least half by mid-summer to rejuvenate and to encourage a second flush of blooms that lasts until the end of the season



### Giant Flowered Soapwort

*Saponaria x lempergii* 'Max Frei'

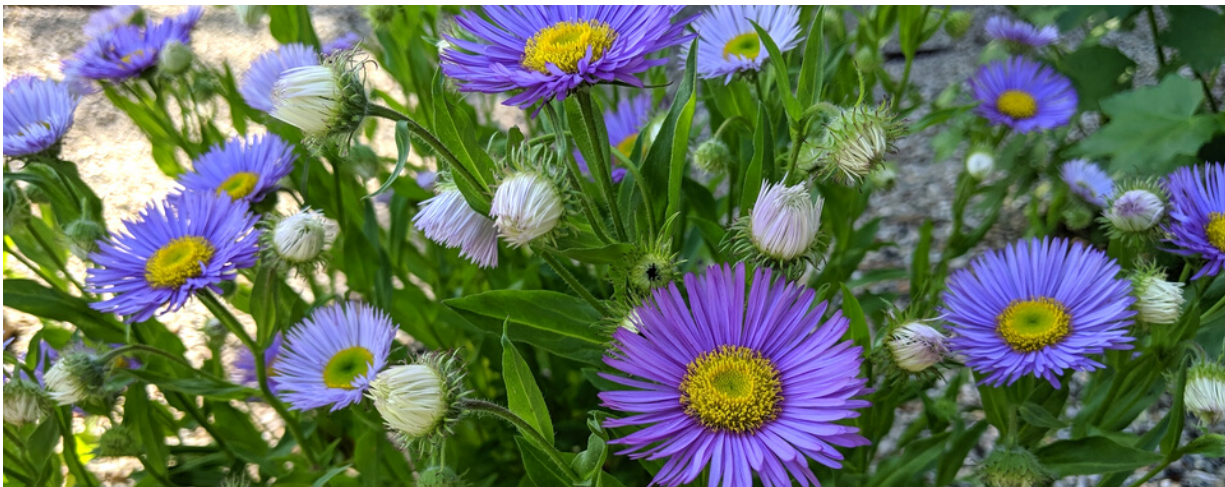
Large scale ground cover, underutilized perennial

Bloom time, summer to fall, 6" x 18", increasing in width over time, sun to part sun, hardy to zone 4

Maintenance: remove spent stalks to the base of the plant by late fall or early spring

*Firewise Perennial Combination B*









### Lipstick Strawberry

*Fragaria* x 'Lipstick'

Ground cover, showy, ornamental strawberry

Bloom time, early spring then staggered blooming until fall, 4-6" x 12-20", sun to part sun, hardy to zone 3

Maintenance: minimal, remove any dead foliage in early spring



### Darkest Of All Daisy Fleabane

*Erigeron* 'Darkest Of All'

Bloom time, summer, 2' x 2', sun to part sun, hardy to zone 4

*Note:* the straight species *Erigeron speciosus* is also recommended

Maintenance: cut down flower stalks after they fade if they appear dried out, otherwise, the plant can be left alone until the following spring



### Purple Coneflower

*Echinacea purpurea*, many cultivars available

Bloom time, summer, size is variable depending on cultivar, sun, hardy to zone 4

Maintenance: prompt removal of spent flowers improves the overall appearance; part or all of the plant may be left to overwinter if desired (beneficial for wildlife), cut back the entire plant by early spring



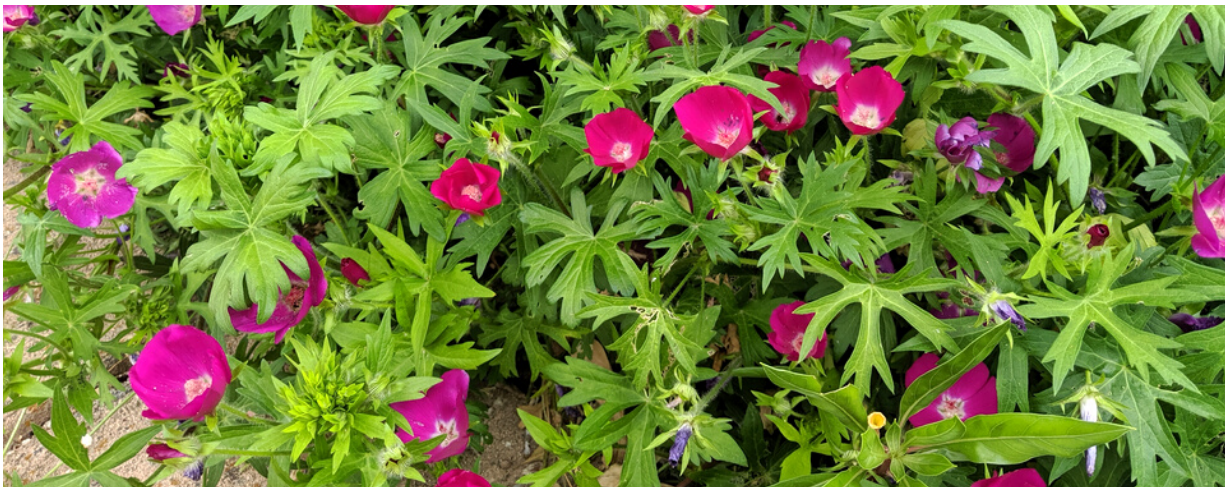
### Golden Fleece Dwarf Goldenrod

*Solidago sphacelata* 'Golden Fleece'

Bloom time, late summer to fall, 15" x 24", sun to part sun, hardy to zone 4

Maintenance: easy care plant, leave foliage alone over the winter and cut back to the ground in spring









### Orange Globe Mallow

*Sphaeralcea munroana* (or *S. ambigua*)

Bloom time, late spring to summer, 12-32" x 12-24", sun, hardy to zone 4, prefers gravel mulch

Maintenance: deadheading may not encourage additional bloom, but as this plant freely reseeds itself, remove spent flower stalks to limit excess naturalizing unless desired



### Poppy Mallow, Wine Cups

*Callirhoe involucrata*

Naturalizing ground cover

Bloom time, summer, 6-12" x upwards to 3', sun, hardy to zone 4

Maintenance: cut plant back to its base by early spring, deadhead if needed to encourage extended bloom time



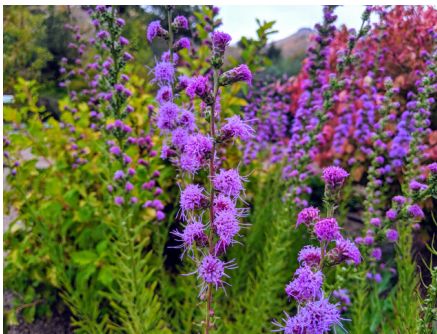
### Sea Foam Artemisia, Curlicue Sage

*Artemisia versicolor* 'Sea Foam'

Ground cover, textural interest

All season foliage interest, 8-12" x 24", sun, hardy to zone 4

Maintenance: minimal, clean up in early spring if needed, foliage may die back some in winter



### Blazing Star

*Liatris aspera*

Bloom time, late summer to fall, 2-3' x 18", sun, hardy to zone 4

Maintenance: leave flower stalks to overwinter to disperse seeds if desired, does not transplant or divide well, remove stalks by early spring





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