

# Invasive Horticultural Plants of the SIERRA AND COASTAL MOUNTAINS

Below are recommended alternatives to the invaders in Sunset Zones 1-3 that are beautiful, vigorous, and appropriate for your climate. These ideas are suggestions to get you started – ask your local nursery professional about what plants will thrive in your garden! Choose non-invasive alternatives to protect California’s wildlands and wildlife.



## INVASIVE PLANT

## RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVES

<b>arundo / giant reed</b> <i>Arundo donax</i>	clumping bamboos (e.g., <i>Bambusa multiplex</i> ‘Golden Goddess,’ <i>B. oldhamii</i> )
<b>brooms</b> <i>Cytisus scoparius</i> , <i>Cytisus striatus</i> , <i>Genista monspessulana</i> , <i>Retama</i> <i>monosperma</i> , <i>Spartium junceum</i>	forsythia ( <i>Forsythia x intermedia</i> ) shrubby cinquefoil ( <i>Potentilla fruticosa</i> )
<b>green fountain grass</b> <i>Pennisetum setaceum</i>	blue oat grass ( <i>Helictotrichon sempervirens</i> ) cold-hardy sedge cultivars ( <i>Carex</i> spp. e.g., <i>C. elegantissima</i> ‘Variegata’)
<b>periwinkle</b> <i>Vinca major</i>	hardy geranium ( <i>Geranium</i> ‘Rozanne®’) Serbian bellflower ( <i>Campanula poscharskyana</i> ) sweet box groundcover ( <i>Sarcococca hookerana humilis</i> )
<b>saltcedar</b> <i>Tamarix ramosissima</i>	desert willow / desert catalpa ( <i>Chilopsis linearis</i> ) - for Sunset Zone 3 Western redbud ( <i>Cercis occidentalis</i> ) - for Sunset Zones 2-3

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