



Sage Advice from the Roundhouse.... **ERIOGONUM** **Wild Buckwheat**

*“...the native California Buckwheats--a genus to stimulate interest and
wake the imagination...” Lester Rountree, Hardy Californians*

The genus *Eriogonum* (air-ee-o g-uh-num) is the largest in California. Almost 100 species are native to California and range from annuals to shrubs. Most species are drought tolerant once established, prefer well-drained soil and full sun exposure. The bright clusters of summer flowers range from white to pink to bright yellow and are pollinated by butterflies. Here are descriptions of the native buckwheats grown at Tree of Life Nursery:

Eriogonum arborescens

Santa Cruz Island Buckwheat

medium to large, shrubby, narrow light green leaves, white to pink flower clusters

Eriogonum cinereum

Ashy-Leaf Buckwheat

attractive medium-sized mounding perennial, grey-green foliage, many pink flower clusters

Eriogonum crocatum

Conejo Buckwheat

rare plant, low perennial, silvery stems and foliage, bright yellow blooms

Eriogonum fasciculatum

California Buckwheat

medium shrubby perennial, dark green foliage, large creamy flower clusters fade to rust color

***Eriogonum fasciculatum* ‘Dana Point’**

Dana Point Buckwheat

low, spreading variety of California buckwheat, nice coastal slope treatment

Eriogonum giganteum

Saint Catherine's Lace

large plant, silvery foliage, large, showy cream-colored flower sprays, attractive backdrop

Eriogonum grande var. rubescens

San Miguel Island (Red) Buckwheat

sprawling perennial, bright green foliage, showy deep pink to red flowers

Eriogonum kennedyi

Cushion Buckwheat

mat-forming, grey-leaved, rock garden plant with small white to pink flower clusters

Eriogonum parvifolium

Coastal Buckwheat

medium perennial, small leaves, white to pink flower sprays

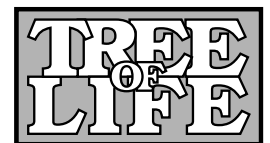
Eriogonum umbellatum

Sulphur Buckwheat

low-growing, mounding perennial, dark green, round leaves,
bright yellow flower clusters

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