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KINICKINNICK – Arctostaphylos uva-ursi
• Evergreen groundcover forming a dense mat
• Leathery tear shaped leaves with pink flowers and red berries
• Needs well drained soil
  • PROS – very hardy and drought tolerant
    - Provides year-round interest
  • CONS – susceptible to root rot
    - can be slow to establish

WILD GINGER – Asarum caudatum
• Ground cover with heart shaped leaves and purplish-brown flowers
• Likes moist acidic soils
  • PROS – nice texture in landscape
    - foliage smells like ginger

WESTERN CLEMATIS – Clematis ligusticifolia
• Climbing vine or ground cover
• Whitish-yellow quarter sized flowers followed by white fuzzy seed clusters
  • PROS – very adaptable and hardy
    - Provides good cover for wildlife
  • CONS – can be invasive if not controlled

BUNCHBERRY – Cornus canadensis
• Groundcover dogwood less than 6” high
• White dogwood flowers and clusters of red berries
• Semi-evergreen with red fall color
  • PROS – extremely beautiful plant
  • CONS – needs shade and acid soil
    - fairly slow to establish

WILD STRAWBERRY – Fragaria virginiana
• Semi evergreen, fast spreading ground cover
• White flowers and small strawberry fruit
  • PROS – nice year-round interest
  • CONS – can be aggressive
CREEPING OREGON GRAPE – Mahonia repens
• Evergreen ground cover Oregon Grape to 1’ tall
• Yellow flowers and purple, edible berries
  • PROS – nice year round interest
  • CONS – can winter burn in our area

------------SHRUBS------------
SNOWBRUSH CEANOTHUS – Ceanothus velutinus
• 2-4’ evergreen shrub
• dark green leathery leaves and white flowers
  • PROS – beautiful year-round in the landscape
  • CONS – susceptible to winter burn without snow cover
    - hard to establish

COMMON SNOWBERRY – Symphoricarpos albus
• 4’ shrub with pink flowers and white berries
  • PROS – good wildlife cover and food
  • CONS – problems with suckers, especially in wet areas

THIMBLEBERRY – Rubus parviflorus
• Fast growing shrub to 4-5’
• Pink raspberry-like fruit after 1” white flowers
  • PROS – good wildlife cover and food
  • CONS – problems with suckers, especially in wet areas

GOLDEN CURRANT – Ribes aureum
• 4-6’ shrub with yellow trumpet flowers and red berries
  • PROS – good for hummingbirds and wildlife food
    - drought tolerant
  • CONS – some problems with suckers

RED FLOWERING CURRANT – Ribes sanguineum
• 4-6’ shrub with bright red flowers in early spring
  • PROS – good for hummingbirds and butterflies
  • CONS – not very hardy, need protection

OCEANSPRAY – Holodiscus discolor
• 6-8’ shrub with creamy white flower clusters
• tolerant of poor soils and drought
  • PROS – nice growth habit and flowering
  • CONS – some people do not like persistent seed heads
MOCKORANGE or SYRINGA – Philadelphus lewisii
- 6’ shrub with beautiful white fragrant flowers
- tolerant of poor soils and drought
  - PROS – flowering
  - CONS – not attractive when not in flower

REDOSIER DOGWOOD – Cornus sericea
- 6-12’ shrub with white flower clusters and white berries
- bright red twigs are nice contrast in winter
  - PROS – can be pruned
  - CONS – requires pruning to keep in small spaces

MALLOW NINEBARK – Physocarpus malvaceus
- 6’ shrub with white pom-pom like flower clusters of flowers and peeling bark
  - PROS – tolerates poor soils and partial shade of full sun
  - CONS – needs moisture to look good in a landscape

WOODS ROSE – Rosa woodsii
- Pink flowered wild rose 3-4’ high with persistent rose hips
  - PROS – good wildlife cover and food
  - CONS – spreads rapidly by suckers

SERVICEBERRY – Amelanchier alnifolia
- 6-12’ shrub with white flowers and blue berries
  - PROS – superb wildlife cover and food, very adaptable to wide range of conditions

---------TREES---------

WATER BIRCH – Betula occidentalis
- Fast growing, multi-stemmed tree to 30’
- Bronze bark
  - PROS – nice soft textured tree
  - CONS – susceptible to birch borer

PAPER BIRCH – Betula papyrifera
- Similar to Water Birch but get larger (40’+) and has white pealing bark
  - PROS – nice soft textured tree
  - CONS – susceptible to birch borer

SITKA ALDER – Alnus sinuata
- Fast growing, multi-stemmed tree to 30’ in wetter areas
  - PROS – good for screen tree, very little disease problems
• CONS – need water

DOUGLAS HAWTHORNE – Crateagus douglasii
• 10-15' tree with white flowers and small crabapple type fruit
  • PROS – great wildlife cover and food
  • CONS – large thorns

ROCKY MT. MAPLE – Acer glabrum
• Multi-stem tree
• New twigs bright red, and nice red fall color
  • PROS – fast growing tree
  • CONS – short lived tree

ROCKY MT. JUNIPER – Juniperus scopulorum
• Upright blue-green juniper to 20' high
  • PROS - Good for screens and hedges, very drought tolerant
  • CONS – somewhat difficult to transplant, susceptible to root rot

QUAKING ASPEN – Populus tremuloides
• Fast growing tree usually 20-30’ with soft textured appearance
  • PROS – tolerates wide variety of soil conditions
  • CONS – suckers readily

CHOKECHERRY – Prunus virginiana
• Multistem tree or large shrub with white flowers and red berries
  • PROS – adaptable to a wide range of conditions
    - good wildlife habitat
  • CONS – can sucker if to wet

BLUE ELDERBERRY – Sambucus cerulea
• Small tree or large shrub with large flat topped flower clusters followed by purple berries
  • PROS – excellent bird feeder
  • CONS – old growth dies back

DWARF MT. ASH -Sorbus scopulina
• Small tree or large shrub with white flower clusters followed by red berries
  • PROS – beautiful year round interest
    - good wildlife food and cover
  • CONS – can be messy

Plants can be ordered online and shipped from their nursery in Tekoa, WA.