You don’t have to become a farmer to enjoy edibles in the landscape because many native plants, vegetables and herbs have fruit and leaves you can harvest, and they can be mixed into any climate-appropriate planting scheme. Organic methods including sheet mulching (see pp. 39-40) and Integrated Pest Management ensure the health of the soil, the crops and the people who eat them. Be sure to check your water agency’s watering restrictions to confirm watering schedules.

**Edible Perennials & Fruiting Shrubs**

1. *Salvia elegans*  
   *Pineapple Sage*

2. *Ribes aureum*  
   *Golden Currant*

3. *Allium schoenoprasum*  
   *Chives*

4. *Pelargonium tomentosum*  
   *Peppermint Geranium*

5. *Aloysia citriodora*  
   *Lemon Verbena*

**Five Great Fruit Trees**

1. *Citrus ‘Nagami’*  
   *Dwarf Kumquat*

2. *Ziziphus jujuba*  
   *Jujube, Chinese Date*

3. *Prunus armeniaca*  
   *Apricot*

4. *Morus nigra ‘Persian’*  
   *Persian Fruiting Mulberry*

5. *Citrus ‘Improved Meyer’*  
   *Improved Meyer Lemon*