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MANZANITA INTRODUCTIONS OF THE  
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The manzanitas (*Arctostaphylos*) are evergreen shrubs having crooked branches and attractive, smooth, reddish bark. The leaf color varies from glossy green to gray, and the urn-shaped flowers are produced in clusters. Most manzanitas require a minimum of care after they are established. They must be "pinched back" frequently while young to attain well-shaped plants.

*Arctostaphylos bakeri* 'Louis Edmunds'. Upright shrub to 5' or 6' tall; delicate pink flowers in pendulous clusters, contrasting with the gray-green foliage. Similar to *A. stanfordiana*, but having a less sensitive root system.

*Arctostaphylos densiflora* 'Harmony'. Low, spreading shrub 2 - 3' high and 8 - 10' wide; dark green, glossy leaves; pink flowers produced in profusion in March and April. Trailing branches take root. Similar to next variety, but larger.

*Arctostaphylos densiflora* 'Howard McMinn'. Low, spreading shrub 2' high and 6 - 8' wide; dark green, glossy leaves; rose-pink flowers produced in profusion in March and April. Trailing branches take root.

*Arctostaphylos densiflora* 'Sentinel'. Upright shrub 6' tall and 8' wide; light green, downy leaves; rose flowers appearing in February and March.

*Arctostaphylos hookeri* 'Monterey Carpet'. Low-growing, compact form of Hooker manzanita. Parent plant is 1' high and 12' wide. Glossy green leaves; pinkish-white flowers. Trailing branches take root. Slower growing than next variety.

*Arctostaphylos hookeri* 'Wayside'. Compact, vigorous-growing strain of Hooker manzanita. Parent plant is 30" high and 12' wide. Glossy green leaves; white flowers. Trailing branches take root.

*Arctostaphylos stanfordiana* 'Fred Oehler'. Especially attractive form of Stanford manzanita. Parent plant is 4 - 5' high and 6' wide. Light gray-green, glossy leaves; pink flowers produced in February and March in pendulous clusters; smooth, reddish-brown bark. Has sensitive root system and needs good drainage.

*Arctostaphylos stanfordiana* 'Trinity'. Glossy green leaves; reddish purple flowers. Has sensitive root system.

*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* 'Radiant'. Selected form of kinnikinnick. Mat-like shrub; glossy leaves; pinkish-white flowers. Dominant feature is autumn crop of large, bright red berries which remain on plant through most of winter. Trailing branches take root. Grows well in sun or shade.