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Scallop-leaf Sage *Salvia vaseyi*

DESCRIPTION: Scallop-leaf Sage is a clumping, thickly branched shrub to two or three feet tall and wide with large gray leaves. As with many *Salvias*, the leaves are pungently aromatic. Plants may lose leaves in summer, but will recover in fall. Two foot spikes of white to light violet flowers occur in the late spring. Native to the border area of California and Baja California. Tends to be short-lived, 5-10 years.

RECOMMENDED USE: Use as a feature of either the transition or the dry zone of the xeriscape. Good for an aroma garden.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: Hardy to at least 16°F.



Sun tolerance: Full sun is essential for good compact form.



Watering and feeding: Require little water once established. Feed once or twice a year.



Soil requirements: Well drained soil is essential to prevent rot.



Pruning: Overgrown or leggy shrubs can be cut back in the late fall to reduce size and increase density.