

Salvia spathacea 'Las Pilitas'

Pitcher Sage, Hummingbird Sage

PERENNIAL with creeping rhizomes.
1 - 2' high, 1 - 3' spread.

Leaves deep green, large (4 to 6" long).

Flowers deep rose on spikes —
March to May.

Native habitat: chaparral, oak woodland; grassy and shady slopes below 2000' — coast ranges from Orange County to central California.

Shade — best under trees, except on immediate coast.

Tolerates clay soil and seasonal flooding.

Drought tolerant once established, but tolerates summer water.

Can be used as a groundcover.
Good in mixed borders (with shade) and under trees.

Favorite of hummingbirds.

Aromatic.



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