John Muir
National Historic Site
California Native Plant Garden

John Muir had an abiding passion for California’s native flora. We hope to inspire that same passion in those who “saunter” through the garden. Enjoy and take the time to learn the names and growing conditions of some of the state’s most beautiful trees, shrubs, perennials, and grasses.

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- Annie’s Annuals
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- California Native Plant Society, East Bay
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- Contra Costa RCD
- Creative Exteriors Landscape Design
- Friends of Alhambra Creek
- John Muir Association
- National Park Service
- Urban Farmer
- Watershed Nursery

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PERENNIALS

P1  Achillea milefolium
Common Yarrow
△ Many habitats

P2  Asclepias speciosa
Showy Milkweed
△ Many habitats; fields, roadsides

P3  Symphyotrichum chilense
California Aster
△ Grasslands, salt marshes, disturbed places

P4  Brickellia californica
California Brickelbush
△ Diverse dry habitats

P5  Camissonia cheiranthifolia
Beach Evening Primrose
△ Sandy slopes, flats, coastal dunes

P6  Carex spissa
San Diego Sedge
△ Waterways

P7  Eriogonum grande E. Greene var. rubescens
Red Flowered Buckwheat
△ Dry cliffs

P8  Eriogonum umbellatum
Sulphur Flower Buckwheat
△ Waterways

P9  Fragaria vesca L
Woodland Strawberry
△ Partial shade in forests

P10  Heracleum lanatum
Cow Parsnip
△ Moist places, wooded or open

P11  Mimulus aurantius new name Diplacus aurantiacus
△ Cliifs, canyon slopes, borders of chaparral

P12  Mimulus cardinalis
Cardinal Monkeyflower
△ Moist to wet places near streams

P13  Monardella sp.
Coyote Mint
△ Rocky slopes, ephemeral drainages, oak woodland, chaparral, montane forest

P14  Camissonia californica
California Evening Primrose
△ Sandy / gravelly areas, dunes, desert scrub to pinon / juniper or ponderosa woodlands

P15  Satureja douglasii
Yerba Buena
△ Shady places, chaparral, woodland

P16  Sidalcea malviflora
Checker Bloom, Checker Mallow
△ Dry places in forest or scrub

P17  Sisyrinchium bellum
Blue-Eyed Grass
△ Open, generally moist, grassy areas, woodlands

P18  Iris sp.
Fernald’s Iris
△ Shady places

P19  Dudleya sp.
Dudleya
△ Rocky outcrops, slopes

P20  Asarum caudatum
Wild Ginger
△ Moist places in forests

P21  Lilium pardalinum ssp.
Tiger Lily
△ Moist places, streambanks, along coast

P22  Eriophyllum staechadifolium
Seaside Woolly Sunflower/Lizard Tail
△ Coastal Strand, Coastal Sage Scrub

P23  Perideridia kelloggii
Yampah
△ Open grassland, serpentine outcrops

P24  Delphinium cardinale
Scarlet Larkspur
△ Slopes (often talus) in chaparral

P25  Eriogonum elongatum
Long stemmed Buckwheat
△ Dry places

P26  Helianthus puberulus
Rosill, Sneezeweed
△ Streamsides, marshes, other wetlands

This brochure is produced in memory of Ray Egbert, dedicated volunteer and lover of California’s native plants and Susan Holland, long time John Muir Association board member.
PLANT LIST

HABITAT PREFERENCE is noted to assist you in selecting plants that will thrive in your garden. The information is drawn from the Jepson Manual: Higher Plants of California. The Jepson Herbarium’s website is ucjeps.berkeley.edu. You’ll also find an abundance of information on California natives at the CalFlora website, www.calflora.org.

SHRUBS

S1 Arctostaphylos manzanita_x_densiflora ‘Austin Griffith’
Oak woodland, chaparral and coastal sage scrub

S2 Arctostaphylos sp.
Manzanita
Oak woodland, chaparral and coastal sage scrub

S3 Arctemia californica
California Sagebrush
Coastal scrub, chaparral, dry foothills, especially near coast

S4 Baccharis pilularis ‘Pigeon Point’
Dwarf Coyote Brush
Chaparral, coastal bluffs to oak woodland

S5 Ceanothus heastium
Heast Ranch Buckbrush
Coastal, low, grassy hills

S6 Ceanothus arboreus x griseus ‘Ray Hartman’
Mountain Lilac
Dry shrubby slopes, chaparral, coastal scrub

S7 Ceanothus maritimus ‘White Cloud’
Chaparral, oak/pine woodland, rocky ridges

S8 Corylus cornuta Marsh. var. californica
California Hazelnut
Many habitats, especially moist, shady places

S9 Dendromecon harfordii
Island Bush Poppy
Dry shrubby slopes

S10 Eriogonum cinereum
Oakleaf Buckwheat
Beaches, coastal bluffs

511 Eriogonum fasciculatum
California Buckwheat
Dry slopes, washes, canyons in scrub

512 Eriogonum sp.
Santa Cruz Island Buckwheat
Dry slopes

513 Arctostaphylos viridissima ‘White Cloud’
White Cloud McMinn’s Manzanita
Shale outcrops, chaparral, coniferous

514 Heteromeles arbutifolia
Toyon, Christmas Berry
Chaparral, oak woodland, mixed-evergreen forest

515 Holodiscus discolor
Cream Bush
Moist woodland edges, rocky slopes

516 Rhamnus californica
California Coffeeberry, Leatherleaf
Coastal-sage scrub, chaparral, woodlands, forests

517 Ribes aureum
Golden Current
Many habitats

518 Ribes menziesii
Gooseberry
Forest openings, chaparral

519 Ribes sanguineum v. glutinosum ‘Inverness White’
White FloweringCurrant
Many habitats

520 Rosa californica
California Wild Rose
Moist areas, streambanks

521 Salvia apiana
White Sage
Dry slopes, coastal-sage scrub, chaparral, yellow-pine forest

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Cleveland Sage
Chaparral, dry slopes, coastal scrub

523 Sambucus nigra ssp. Canadensis
Blue Elderberry
Streambanks, open places in forest

524 Vaccinium ovalum
California Huckleberry
Edges, clearings in coniferous woods

525 Mahonia aquifolium ‘John Muir’ new name
Berberis aquifolium (loosely) Oregon grape
Slopes, canyons, coniferous forest, oak woodland, chaparral

526 Fremontodendron sp.
California Flannelbush
Chaparral, oak/pine woodland, rocky ridges

527 Mimulus aurantiacus
sticky monkeyflower
Rocky ledges, cliffs, canyon slopes, borders of chaparral

528 Ribes sanguineum ‘Barrie Coate’
NA
Many habitats

529 Salvia munzi
Munz’s Bush
Coastal-sage scrub, lower chaparral

530 Ceanothus maritimus ‘Frosty Dawn’
Maritime ceanothus
Coastal hills, bluffs

531 Symphoricarpos albus
Snowberry
Shady woods, streambanks, north slopes

532 Rhamnus croceus ssp. ‘Ilicifolia’
Hollyleaf coffeeberry
Coastal-sage scrub, chaparral, woodlands

533 Cericis occidentalis
Western redbud
Dry, shrubby slopes, canyons, ravines, streambanks, chaparral, foothill woodlands to yellow-pine forest

534 Cercocarpus betuloides
Mountain mahogany
Chaparral, pine/oak woodland, coniferous forest

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536 Jepson Herbarium’s website
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VINES

V1 Aristolochia californica
California Pipevine
Streambeds, forest, chaparral

V2 Lonicerasp.
Honeysuckle
Moist places

V3 Vitis girdiana
Desert wild grape
Streambeds, canyon bottoms

ANNUALS

A1 Eriophyllum ambiguum
Annual Woolly Sunflower
Woodland, desert

A2 Eschscholzia californica
California Poppy
Grassy, open areas

A3 Stylophone helophytha
Wind Poppy
Grassy areas, openings in chaparral

A4 Juncus bufonius
Toad Rush
Moist (sometimes saline) open/disturbed places

A5 Clarkia rubicunda
Well to Spring
Openings, woodland, forest, chaparral near coast

Ferns

F1 Athyrium (sp)
Lady Fern
Moist or wet rock crevices, talus, cliffs, boulder bases, streambeds

GRASSES

G1 Calamagrostis nutkaensis
Pacific Reed Grass
Wet areas, beaches, dunes, coastal woodland

G2 Deschampsia cespitosa ssp. hoehniformis
(Jughandle Creek Dwarf)
Coastal Tufted Hairgrass
Coastal marshes and meadows

G3 Bromus carinatus
California Broome
Open scrub, woodland, forest

G4 Festuca rubra
Red Fescue
Sand dunes, grassland, subalpine forest

G5 Nassella pulchra
Purple Needlegrass
Oak woodland, chaparral, grassland

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