Appendix D: Vegetation Palette For Bioretention BMPs

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Low impact design (LID) offers an important opportunity to integrate San Francisco's native landscape into ongoing urban development, creating ecologically significant patches of habitat that also function as stormwater management facilities.

Introduction

Low Impact Development (LID) seeks to use natural processes to manage stormwater runoff as close as possible to its source. Bioretention is a specific tool used in LID. Bioretention is characterized by a depressed planted area designed to collect stormwater runoff from a contributing area, while utilizing the physical and chemical processes of plants, soils, and microbes to slow, store and/or convey, filter, and infiltrate stormwater runoff.

The City's LID efforts are contributing to an expanding patchwork of bioretention throughout San Francisco. This appendix describes important considerations regarding plant selection for LID and bioretention and includes a palette of climate-appropriate plants that can tolerate the periodic inundation and soil saturation characteristics of bioretention planters, basins, and swales.

The selection and installation of plants should consider climate, context, site conditions, natural plant communities and habitat. Below is an overview of these important considerations.

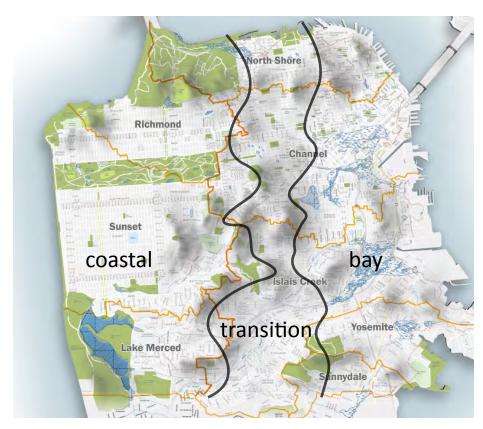


Figure D1. San Franicsco climate zone map.

Climate

Located within one of the five Mediterranean zones of the world, San Francisco's climate is characterized by short, mild, wet winters and long, dry, warm summers. The coastal influence and the local topography create three general microclimates: the coastal zone to the west, the central transition zone, and the bay zone to the east (Figure D1). The coastal zone is characterized by cool temperatures, dense summer fog, salty air, and prevailing westerly winds. The transition zone is characterized by cool to moderate temperatures, light fog to clear, sunny skies, and gentler winds. The bay zone is characterized by warm temperatures, clear sunny skies, and light to high winds. Specific conditions will vary from site to site, but these broad, climatic influences can be instructive in terms of regional conditions. For example, many plant species that thrive in the chilly fog of the Richmond District might suffer in the warm sun of the Mission District. Climate zone information was developed by the San Francisco Department of Public Works (DPW).

Site Context

Urban conditions

In dense urban areas, plantings are often subject to harsh conditions, including air and water pollution, strong winds, trampling, and vandalism. To aid plant selection for sites with very harsh conditions, the following plant palette includes a column indicating which plants are recommended by the SFDPW for sidewalk landscaping and which trees are recommended as street trees. The City's urban parks, open spaces, moderate or low density residential areas, and more sheltered sites within dense urban areas are less susceptible to these harsh conditions, and successful plantings may include a wider variety of plant sensitivities.

Aesthetic goals

Each project will have its own aesthetic goals, whether referencing the architecture adjacent to the site or maintaining unity along a street. Plant selection will be determined by form, texture, foliage, and bloom color, among other qualities. Ensuring that selected plant species or cultivars are appropriate for site conditions is essential to a planting's continued health and ability to express the desired aesthetic characteristics. Considering seasonality and "look and feel" in the design process can help manage expectations of the plantings over time.



Mulch and plantings at Mint Plaza. Photo: Final citation pending



Rosa californica (California Wild Rose). Photo: Barbara Eisenstein

Maintenance

During plant selection, maintenance of both the stormwater management facility and the level of plant care must be considered. In facilities where an underdrain is required, the roots of trees and large shrubs may grow into the slots of the underdrain pipe, and may require increased maintenance and/or result in reduced performance. Many plants included in the list can survive with little or no maintenance; others need seasonal pruning, occasional thinning, and/or extra care to thrive. Trees will need structural pruning. A planting that requires regular maintenance will neither look good nor remain healthy without regular maintenance. When planning a low-maintenance planting, it is important to space plants based on mature plant sizes. For the first couple of years after planting, drought-tolerant plants put most of their energy into root growth, so new plantings will be sparse at first. While making a site look dense at first, overplanting trees and shrubs will require significant extra pruning and likely plant removal later. Filling in a site with selfseeding annuals will help a new planting look abundant within weeks, while shading the soil as the trees and shrubs mature. Annuals are not included in the following vegetation palette, but many locally native and climate appropriate species are readily available as seeds or plugs.

Site Conditions

Topography

Topography influences drainage; the top of a slope will dry more quickly as soil moisture drains downhill, while the lowest part of a slope will retain soil moisture longer. Likewise, topography influences sun exposure, as a south-facing slope will receive more sunlight than a north-facing slope. Accordingly, a south-facing slope will be more susceptible to moisture loss through evaporation. In bioretention, topography also determines the frequency and duration of inundation; plants at or near the base of a bioretention basin must tolerate more frequent inundation for longer periods than plants at or near the top.

Soils

San Francisco's native soils vary from clayey soils that drain and dry out slowly to sandy soils that drain and dry out more rapidly. Plantings in sites with naturally clayey soils will require plants that can withstand longer periods of soil saturation. Many locally native plants are adapted to this condition and have deep roots that penetrate the clay, improving drainage. Plantings in naturally sandy soils will require either supplemental irrigation beyond the plant establishment period or plants that can tolerate sustained drought. Amending the soil with compost will improve drainage in clayey soil and retention in sandy soil, while adding a consistent source of nutrients as the organic matter in the compost decomposes. Bioretention soil mixes are designed to mimic soils found in mature forests that provide storage, filtration, and drainage. Typically, they have high sand and compost contents and dry out relatively quickly.

Sun

The quality of sunlight changes seasonally and throughout each day. Afternoon sun is the hottest and most drying, and summer sunlight is stronger and hotter than winter sunlight. Many tender, shade-loving plants can survive with exposure to gentle morning sun but suffer in afternoon sun, while many sun-loving plants will grow leggy and weak in too much shade.

Water

Bioretention facilities are designed to pond during rain events and to drain quickly afterwards. Accordingly, plantings must tolerate inundation, and any plantings that are not drought-tolerant will likely need supplemental irrigation. Many plant species native to California or other Mediterranean regions are adapted to both seasonal inundation and long, dry summers and stay attractive and healthy with little or no summer irrigation. Groundcovers and herbaceous perennials and annuals can help shade the soil during dry periods, to reduce moisture loss through evaporation. Evergreen trees and shrubs will uptake moisture during the wet season, reducing ponding times in bioretention. Winter-deciduous trees and shrubs are dormant during the wet season, and provide less stormwater management benefit. The following plant palette includes a large selection of low water-use plants, as well as some moderate and high water-use plants. When planting species with a variety of water needs, it is important to hydrozone, or group plants with similar water needs together, to ensure plant health and avoid wasting water.



Acer macrophyllum (Big Leaf Maple). Photo: Barbara Eisenstein

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Plant Communities and Habitat

Plant communities

Plant communities are natural assemblages of plants that commonly occur together in certain geologic and climatic conditions. San Francisco has several naturally occurring plant communities, including chaparral, coastal scrub, dunes, grassland/prairie, riparian, wetland, and oak woodland. Understanding which plant communities grow naturally in the conditions at a given site can provide a preliminary palette of well-suited plants. Referencing local plant communities can create a sense of place and help to extend the remnant patches of natural plant communities and habitats that have persisted through the urbanization of San Francisco. Plants from other areas that grow in similar conditions can be successfully incorporated into these designed plant communities.

Habitat

Bioretention can provide small linkages in the dense urban environment connecting habitat to and between large open spaces. Diverse, layered plantings with year-round food resources provide richer habitat than simpler plantings. Including local native species will help support populations of sensitive local wildlife. The following plant palette includes bloom times and identifies native species to support plant selection for local habitat creation. For further information, the San Francisco Planning Department's Green Connections Program (greenconnections.sfplanning.org) includes design guidelines for creating habitat, the "SF Plant Finder" biodiversity plant list, and "Ecology Guides" that identify target species and associated plantings to support a network of habitat corridors throughout the city.

Listed below are resources for more information about the topics covered in this section and the plants listed in the vegetation palette. The following vegetation palette includes a sampling of plants that have been successful in green infrastructure (GI) regionally and throughout the Pacific Northwest. That said, there may be many other species appropriate for such GI plantings.

Vegetation Palette

The following vegetation palette combines data from several native plant databases and major reference books to create a diverse palette specific to the San Francisco Bay Area. The criteria for including plants in the list include the following characteristics:

- Appropriate for the San Francisco Bay Area climate
- Has performed well in bioretention plantings in the Bay Area or within the Pacific Northwest
- Available in nurseries

Plants are listed alphabetically by scientific name, followed by common name and plant type, and other information including inundation zone; plant information (evergreen or deciduous, recommended by DPW as a sidewalk plant or street tree, and whether it's locally native); soil water and sun preferences; bloom time; mature size; and additional notes.

"Zone" indicates inundation zone. Zone A is the lower planting area subject to occasional flooding. Zone B is the planted area adjacent to the flooding zone that is subject to occasional saturation. Bioretention Planters are flat-bottomed, and only include Zone A (Figure D2). Bioretention Basins have sloped sides and include both planting Zone A and Zone B (Figure D3).

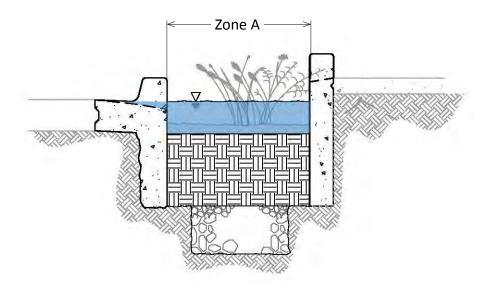


Figure D2. Bioretention planters with inundation zones.

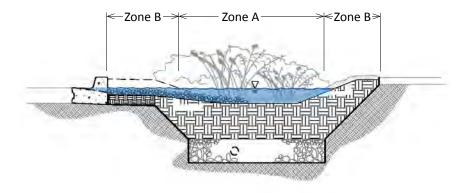


Figure D3. Bioretention basins with inundation zones.



Scientific Name	Common Name	Plant Type	Zon	e		ant Ifo	5	Soil	Water	S	un	Bloom	Mature size	Notes
			Zone A	Zone B	Evergreen/Deciduous	UPW recommended locally native	Clay	Loam Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun	Partial shade Shade	Spring Summer Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Acer circinatum	vine maple	tree		•	d			•	М		• •	•	15ft x 20ft	erosion control
Acer macrophyllum	big leaf maple	tree	•	•	d		•	• •	М	•	• •	•	30-75ft x 30-50ft	no salinity tolerance
Acer rubrum	red maple	tree	•	•	d ·	Т	•	• •	M	•	•	•	60ft x 40ft	prefers heat, wind protection
Achillea millefolium	yarrow	perennial		•		s •		• •	L	•		• •	1-3ft, spreading	ground cover
Acmispon glaber*	common deerweed	perennial		•		•	•	• •	VL	•		• •	3ft x 3ft	nitrogen-fixing
Acorus gramineus	sweet flag	grass	•	•				•	Н	•	• •	•	1ft, spreading	best in rich soil, slowly spreading
Adiantum jordanii	California maidenhair fern	fern	•	•			•	•	Н		• •		1-2ft x 3ft	prefers moist , shady locations
Aesculus californica	California buckeye	tree	•	•	d	•	•	• •	VL	•	•	•	15-30ft x 30-40ft	prefers well-drained soil
Agrostis exarata	bentgrass	grass	•	•		•	•	• •	?	•		•	1-4ft x 2ft	
Agrostis hallii	Hall's bentgrass	grass		•		•	•	• •	?	•		• •	1-2ft x 1ft	
Agrostis pallens	bentgrass	grass	•	•		•	•	•	?	•	•	•	1-2ft x 1-3ft	lawn substitute, water to keep green
Alnus rhombifolia	white alder	tree	•	•	d	•	•	• •	Н	•	•	•	50ft x 40ft	avoid sidewalks
Alopecurus saccatus	Pacific foxtail	grass	•	•			•	•	?	•		•	1-2ft, spreading	
Amelanchier alnifolia	western serviceberry	shrub		•	d :	s •	•	•	М	•	•	•	4-20ft x 6-20ft	Regent' 4-6 ft height
Aquilegia formosa	western columbine	perennial	•	•		s •		• •	L	•	•	•	1-3ft x 1-2ft	
Arctostaphylos densiflora	manzanita	shrub		•	е			•	L	•	•	• •	5-8ft x 5-7ft	Howard McMinn' is a reliable cultivar
Arctostaphylos tomentosa crustacea	Lake Merced brittleleaf manzanita	shrub		•	е	•		•	?	•	•	• •	3-4ft x 1-5ft	prefers acid to neutral soils

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Plant Type	Zoi	ne		lan nfo		Soil	J	Water	Sui	n	Bloom	Mature size	Notes
			Zone A	Zone B	Evergreen/Deciduous	DPW recommended	locally native	Clay Loam	Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun Partial shade	Shade	Spring Summer Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Arctostaphylos 'Emerald Carpet'	Emerald Carpet	shrub (groundcove		•	е	S		•	•	M	• •		•	1ft, spreading	
Aristolochia californica	pipevine	vine		•	d		•	• •	•	L	•		•	8ft x 12ft with support	host plant for Pipevine swallowtail butterfly
Armeria maritima	sea thrift	perennial	•	•		S		•	•	М	•		• •	1-2ft x 1ft	ground cover
Artemisia californica	coastal sagebrush	shrub		•	е	S	•		•	L	•		• • •	2-5ft x 4-7ft	
Artemisia douglasiana	mugwort	perennial		•				• •		L	• •		• •	1-3ft, spreading	provide good drainage
Asarum caudatum	wild ginger	perennial	•	•		S		•	•	М	• •		•	1ft, spreading	ground cover
Asclepias fascicularis	narrowleaf milkweed	perennial	•	•		S		• •	•	L	• •		• •	1-3ft x 2-3ft	host plant for Monarch butterfly
Asclepias speciosa	showy milkweed	perennial	•	•				• •	•	L	• •		•	1-3ft, spreading	host plant for Monarch butterfly
Aster radulinus	rough-leaved aster	perennial		•				• •	•	М	•		• •	1-3ft x 1-2ft	·
Atriplex californica	California saltbush	perennial	•	•				•		VL	•		•	1-2ft x 1-2ft	
Baccharis pilularis	coyote brush	shrub		•	е	S	•	• •	•	L	•		•	7-12ft x 7-12ft	intolerant to shade
Baccharis salicifolia	mule-fat	shrub	•	•	е			• •	•	L	•		•	4-10ft x 8ft	intolerant to shade
Berberis aquifolium	barberry	shrub	•	•	е			•	•	М	• •	•	• •	6ft x 5ft	
Berberis aquifolium repens*	creeping Oregon grape	shrub	•	•	е	S		• •		L	• •		•	1-3ft, spreading	
Berberis pinnata	California holly grape	shrub		•	е		•	• •		L	•		• •	4-5ft x 5ft	
Berberis thunbergii	Japanese barberry	shrub		•	d			•	•	М	• •		•	4-6ft x 4-6ft	
Betula occidentalis	water birch	tree	•	•	d			• •		Н	•		•	12-15ft x 12-15ft	
Betula spp.	birch	tree	•	•	d			• •		Н	•		•	50-80ft x 40-60ft	

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			Zone A Zone B	Evergreen/Deciduous	DPW recommended locally native	Clay Loam	Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun Partial shade Shade	Spring Summer Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Bouteloua gracilis	blue grama	grass	•		S	• •	•	?	•	•	1ft, spreading	
Bromus carinatus	California brome	grass	• •		•	• •		?	•	• •	2-3ft x 1-2ft	
Calamagrostis nutkaensis	Pacific reedgrass	grass	• •		S	• •	•	М	• • •	• •	10ft x 10ft	
Calycanthus occidentalis	western spice bush	shrub	• •	е		•		М	•	•	10ft x 10ft	
Calystegia purpurata	morning glory	vine	•	d			•	L	• •	• • •	7ft x 7ft	requires well-drained soil
Carex barbarae	Santa Barbara sedge	emergent	• •		•	• •		М	• •	•	1ft x 3ft	
Carex densa	dense sedge	grass-like	• •			• •		М	• •	• •	1ft x 2ft	
Carex obnupta	slough sedge	emergent	• •		•	• •		М	• •	•	4ft x 4ft	
Carex pansa	Pacific dune sedge	grass-like	• •					М	• •	•	1ft, spreading	
Carex praegracilis	clustered field sedge	grass-like	• •		•	• •	•	М	• •	•	1ft x 2ft	no salinity tolerance
Carex tumulicola	foothill sedge	grass	•		S •	• •		М	•	•	1ft x 3ft	lawn substitute
Carpenteria californica	bush anemone	shrub	•	е	S	•	•	М	• •	•	6-8ft x 6-8ft	
Carya illinoinensis	pecan	tree	• •	d		•	•	L	•	•	60-70ft x 40-80ft	no salinity tolerance
Casuarina cunninghamiana	river she-oak	tree	• •	d			•	L	•	• •	70ft x 30ft	good screen
Ceanothus spp.	ceanothus	shrub	•	е	S •	•	•	L	• •	• •	2-18ft x 6-18ft	requires excellent drainage
Celtis laevigata*	common hackberry	tree	•	d		•		L	• •	• •	50ft x 40ft	
Cephalanthus occidentalis	buttonbush	shrub	• •	d		•		M	• •	•	3-15ft x 3-15ft	
Cerastium arvense	field chickweed	perennial	• •		•	• •	•	?	•	•	1ft x 1ft	

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Cercis occidentalis	western redbud	tree	•	d ·	Т	• • •	VL	• •	•	10-18ft x 10-18ft	performs well in most of SF
Cercocarpus betuloides	mountain mahogany	shrub	•	е		•	VL	•	•	10ft x 8ft	-
Chamaemelum nobile	chamomile	perennial	•		S	• • •	L	• •	• •	1ft, spreading	
Chionanthus retusus	Chinese fringe tree	tree	•	d		•	?	•	• •	20ft x 16-18ft	
Chondropetalum tectorum	cape rush	grass-like	• •			• •	L	• •	• • • •	3-5ft x 4-6ft	
Cistus spp.	rockrose	shrub	•	е	S	• •	L	• •	• •	2-6ft x 4-8ft	
Clematis lasiantha	pipestems; chaparral clematis	vine	•	d		• • •	L	•	•	20ft x 20ft, needs support	
Clematis ligusticifolia	western white clematis	vine	• •	d		• • •	M	•	• •	20 ft x 20 ft, needs support	erosion control along stream banks
Clinopodium douglasii*	yerba buena	perennial	•		s	• •	L	• •	• •	1ft, spreading	can be difficult to establish
Cornus sericea	redtwig dogwood	shrub	• •	d	•	• •	Н	• •	•	8-12ft x 8-12ft	low salinity tolerance;
Corylus cornuta	western hazelnut	shrub or tree	• •	d	•	• • •	L	• •	•	12-15ft x 12-15ft	good for slopes; no salinity
Corymbia citriodora	lemon-scented gum	tree	• •	е		• • •	L	•	• • •	4-90ft x 15-45ft	
Delphinium californicum	California larkspur	perennial	• •		•	• • •	?	•	• •	5ft x 2ft	
Deschampsia cespitosa	tufted hairgrass	grass	• •		•	• • •	L	• •	•	2ft x 2ft	
Dicentra formosa	Pacific bleeding heart	perennial	• •			• • •	М	• •	•	1ft x 2ft	ground cover
Dietes spp.	fortnight lily	perennial	•		S	• •	L	• •	• • •	2-3ft x 2-3ft	
Diospyros virginiana	persimmon	tree	• •	d		• •	L	• • •	•	15-30ft x 15-30ft	fragrant
Distichlis spicata	salt grass	grass	• •		•	• •	L	•	•	1ft, spreading	intolerant to shade

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Dryopteris expansa	spreading wood fern	fern	• •			• •		?	• •		2ft x 2ft	
Eleocharis macrostachya	pale spikerush	grass	• •		•	• • •		Н	•	•	3ft x 2ft, spreading	
Eleocharis palustris	creeping spikerush	grass	• •			• • •	•	Н	•	•	1-4ft, spreading	
Elymus glaucus	blue wild rye	grass	• •		•	• • •	•	L	•	•	2-4ft, spreading	
Elymus trachycaulus	slender wheatgrass	grass	•			• • •		?	•	•	1-3ft, spreading	no shade tolerance
Elymus triticoides*	creeping wild rye	grass	• •		•	• • •		L	•	•	2-4ft, spreading	
Epilobium canum & cvs.	California fuchsia	perennial	•		S •	• • •	•	L	• •	•	1-2ft x 3ft	many cultivars available
Equisetum hyemale	scouring rush	perennial	• •		•	• •		Н	• •	•	4ft, spreading	thrives in moist soils
Erigeron foliosus var. franciscensis	San Francisco leafy fleabane	perennial	•		•	• • •		?	•	• •	1-3ft x 2-3ft	
Erigeron glaucus	seaside daisy	perennial	• •		S		•	L	• •	•	1-3ft x1-3ft	
Eriogonum fasciculatum	California buckwheat	perennial	•		S	•		٧L	•	• • •	2-3ft x 3-5ft	intolerant to shade
Eriogonum giganteum	St. Catherine's lace	perennial	•		S	• • •		VL	•	•	5ft x 6ft	prefers well-drained soils
Eriogonum latifolium	coast buckwheat	perennial	•		S		•	L	•	•	1ft x 1-2ft	
Eriogonum parvifolium	dune buckwheat	perennial	•			• • •		L	•	• •	2ft x 2ft	prefers well-drained soils
Eschscholzia californica	California poppy	biennial	•		S	• •		VL	•	• •	1ft x 1ft	readily self-seeds
Eucalyptus erythrocorys	red-cap gum	tree	• •	е		• • •		L	•	• • • •	12-30ft x 9-25ft	
Euthamia occidentalis	western goldenrod	perennial	• •			• • •		?	•	•	4ft, spreading	intolerant to shade
Festuca californica	California fescue	grass	•		S •	• • •	•	L	•	• •	3ft x 3ft	
Festuca idahoensis	Idaho fescue	grass	•		S •	• • •		VL	• •	•	1-2ft x 1-2ft	intolerant to shade; good slope stabilizer

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			Zone A	Zone B	DPW recommended		locally native Clay	Loam Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun	Partial shade Shade	Spring Summer Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Festuca rubra	red fescue	grass	•	•	S		•	•	L	•	•	•	1ft x 2ft, spreading	can be used as a lawn substitute
Fragaria chiloensis	coast strawberry	perennial		•	S	5	•	•	М	•	•	•	1ft x 2ft, spreading	
Fragaria vesca	woodland strawberry	perennial		•	S	5	•	•	M	•	•	•	1ft x 2ft, spreading	ground cover
Frangula californica	coffeeberry	shrub		• (5		•	• •	L	•	•	•	6-10ft x 6-10ft	good screen, 'Mound San
Frankenia salina	yerba reuma; sea heath	perennial		•		1	•	• •	?	•		• •	1-3ft x 1-3ft	
Fraxinus latifolia	Oregon ash	tree	•	• (ł		•	• •	M	•	•	•	40-80ft x 30-50ft	
Garrya elliptica	coast silktassel	shrub or tree		•	9		•	• •	L	•	•	•	10-20ft x 10-20ft	requires good drainage; good screen
Gaultheria shallon	salal	shrub	•	• (9		•	• •	М	•	• •	•	2-3ft x 3ft	
Geijera parvifolia	Australian willow	tree	•	• (T	-		• •	М	•		•	25-30ft x 20ft	prefers heat, wind
Gingko biloba	maidenhair tree	tree	•	• (Ţ	-	•	• •	М	•		•	35-50ft x 30-40ft	performs well in most of SF
Gleditsia triacanthos 'Shademaster'	honey locust	tree	•	• (T	-		•	L	•		•	35-70ft x 25-35ft	prefers heat, wind protection
Grevillea robusta	silk oak	tree		• (9		•	•	L	•		•	50-60ft x 30-35ft	intolerant to shade
Grindelia hirsutula	gumweed	perennial	•	•	S	;	• •	• •	L	•	•	• •	1ft x 4ft	
Heteromeles arbutifolia	toyon	shrub		• (,		• •	• •	L		•	•	10-25ft x 8-20ft	good screen
Heuchera micrantha	crevice alumroot	perennial		•	S	;	• •	•	М		•	• •	1-3ft x 1-2ft	grow best in rich soil
Holodiscus discolor	oceanspray, cream bush	shrub		• (ł		•	• •	L	•	•	• •	4-8ft x 4-8ft	can grow to 15 ft x 15 ft in rich, moist soils

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Plant Type	Zone		Plant Info	Soil	Water	Sun	Bloom	Mature size	Notes
			Zone A Zone B	Evergreen/Deciduous	DPW recommended locally native	Clay Loam Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun Partial shade Shade	Spring Summer Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Hordeum brachyantherum	meadow barley	grass	• •		•	• • •	?	•	•	2ft x 2ft	tolerates poor soils
Hosackia gracilis	harlequin lotus	perennial	• •		•	• • •	?	•	• •	1ft x 2ft	
Iris douglasiana	Douglas iris; Pacific iris	perennial	• •		S •	• • •	L	• •	• •	1ft x 3ft	requires well-drained soil
Juglans hindsii	California black walnut	tree	• •			• • •	M	•	•	30ft x 30ft	
Juncus patens & cvs.	spreading rush	grass-like	• •		S •	• • •	L	• •	•	3ft x 3ft	
Juncus xiphiodes	irisleaf rush	grass-like	• •		•	• • •	Н	• •	• •	1-3ft x 1-3ft	
Koeleria macrantha	prairie junegrass	grass	• •		•	• •	L	•	•	2ft x 1 ft	
Lagunaria pattersonii	Norfolk Island hibiscus	tree	•	е	Т	• • •	L	• •	• •	20-50ft x 20-40ft	performs well in most of SF
Lavandula spp. & cvs.	lavender	perennial	•		S	• • •	L	•	• • • •	1-3ft x 1-3ft	
Limonium californicum	marsh rosemary	emergent	• •		•	• • •	L	•	•	2ft x 2ft	
Liquidambar styraciflua	American sweet gum	tree	• •	d	Т	• • •	М	• •	•	60ft x 20-25ft	needs space for canopy and roots
Lupinus albifrons	silver bush lupine	shrub	•	е	S	•	VL	•	•	4ft x 4ft	prefers good draiange
Lupinus bicolor	miniature lupine	perennial	•		•	• • •	?	•	•	1ft x 1ft	
Lyonothamnus floribundus asplenifolius	Catalina ironwood	tree	•	е		• • •	L	•	• •	20-35ft x 15ft	
Magnolia grandiflora	southern magnolia	tree	• •	е	Т	• •	М	•	•	80ft x 60ft	performs well in most of SF
Magnolia virginia	sweet bay	tree	• •	S		• • •	М	• •	•	30-50ft x 20ft	
Malva assurgentiflora	tree mallow	shrub	•	е		• • •	L	•	• • •	10ft x 10ft	requires good drainage
Marah oregana	coastal manroot	vine	•	d	S •	• •	?	• •	• •	12-30ft with support	

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			Zone A	Zone B	Evergreen/Deciduous	DPW recommended	locally native	Clay	Loam Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun	Partial shade Shade	Spring	Summer Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Melaleuca stypheloides	black tea tree	tree	•	•	е			•	• •	L	•		•	•	20-40ft x 10-20ft	
Melaleuca viminalis*	weeping bottle brush	tree	•	•	е	Т		•	• •	L	•		•	• • •	20-30ft x 15ft	performs well in most of SF
Melaleuca viridiflora rubriflora*	cajeput tree	tree	•	•	е	Т		•	• •	L	•			• •	20-40ft x 15-25ft	performs well in most of SF
Melica californica	California melic	grass	•	•			•	•	• •	?		• •		•	2ft x 2ft	tolerates poor soil
Melica imperfecta	coast range melic	grass		•				•	• •	VL	•	•	•	•	2ft x 2ft	
Mimulus aurantiacus*	sticky monkeyflower	perennial		•		S	•	•	• •	VL	•	•	•	•	3-4ft x 3-4ft	
Mimulus cardinalis	scarlet monkeyflower	perennial	•	•				•	• •	Н	•	•	•		3ft x 2ft	
Mimulus guttatus	creek monkeyflower	perennial	•	•			•	•	• •	Н	•		•	•	2-3ft x 2-3ft	
Miscanthus sinensis	Japanese silver grass	grass	•	•				•	• •	М	•			•	2-5ft x 2-6ft	
Monardella villosa	coyote mint	perennial		•		S	•	•	• •	VL	•			•	1-2ft x 1-2ft	
Monardella villosa franciscana	San Francisco coyote mint	perennial		•		S	•		• •	?	•		•	•	1-2ft x 1-2ft	requires well-drained soils
Morella californica*	Pacific wax myrtle	tree	•	•	е		•	•	• •	M	•	•		•	10-30ft x 10-30ft	informal hedge, wind break
Morus alba	white mulberry	tree		•	d				• •	М	•		•		20-40ft x 20-40ft	fruitless varieties are
Muhlenbergia rigens	deer grass	grass		•		S		•	• •	L	•			•	4ft x 4ft	requires good drainage; streambank stabilization
Nepeta spp.	catmint	perennial		•		S		•	• •	L	•			• •	1-3ft x 1-3ft	
Nyssa sylvatica	tupelo, black gum	tree	•	•	d				• •	М	•	• •	•		30-50ft x 15-25ft	
Oxalis oregana	redwood sorrel	perennial	•	•					•	M		•	•		1ft x 2ft, spreading	ground cover

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			Zone A	Evergreen/Deciduous	DPW recommended locally native	Clay Loam Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun Partial shade Shade	Spring Summer Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Panicum virgatum	switchgrass	grass	•			• • •	М	• •	• • •	2-4ft x 2-4ft	
Pellaea andromedaefolia	coffee fern	fern	•			•	L	•		1-2ft x 1-2ft	requires good drainage
Penstemon spp.	penstemon	perennial	•	1	s •	• •	L	• •	•	1-3ft x 1-3ft	erosion control; requires good drainage
Phacelia californica	California phacelia	perennial	•		S •	•	L	• •	• •	1-2ft x 1-2ft	
Philadelphus lewisii	native mock orange	shrub	• •	d		• • •	М	• •	• •	12ft x 8ft	
Physocarpus capitatus	Pacific ninebark	shrub	• •	d		• • •	L	• •	• •	6-8ft x 6-8ft	
Pittosporum tobira	mock orange	shrub	•	е		• • •	L	• •	•	4-15ft x 4-15ft	
Plantago subnuda	tall coastal plantain	perennial	• •		•	• •	?	• •	• •	1ft x 1ft	
Platanus occidentalis	American sycamore	tree	• •	d		• • •	?	•	•	40-80ft x 30-40ft	
Platanus racemosa	California sycamore	tree	• •	d		• • •	М	•	• •	30-80ft x 20-50ft	
Pleuropogon californicus	semaphore grass	grass	•			• •	?	•	• •	2-3ft x 1-3ft	
Poa unilateralis	San Francisco bluegrass	grass	• •	1	•	• • •	?	•	•	2-3ft x 1-3ft	
Polypodium scouleri	leather leaf fern	fern	•			• • •	М	• •		1ft, spreading	
Polystichum munitum	western sword fern	fern	•		S •	• •	М	• •		2-4ft x 2-4ft	does best in rich soils
Populus fremontii	Fremont's Cottonwood	tree	• •	d		• •	М		•	40-60ft x 30ft	
Prosartes hookeri*	Hooker's fairy bells	perennial	•			• •	L	• •	• •	1-3ft x 1-2ft	good for slopes
Prunella vulgaris	self-heal	perennial	• •		•	• •	М	• •	•	1ft x 2ft	
Prunus emarginata	bitter cherry	shrub or tree	•	d	•	•	?	•	•	3-18ft x 3-6ft	

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			Zone A	Zone B	Evergreen/Deciduous	DPW recommended	locally native	Clay	Loam	Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun	Partial shade Shade	Spring	Sulline Mistor	Approximate Height x Width	
Prunus ilicifolia	holly leaf cherry	shrub or tree		•	е		•	•	•	•	L	•		•		20ft x 10ft	avoid planting near sidewalk: fruit stains
Prunus spp.	flowering plum & cherry	tree		•	d	Т		•	•	•	L-M	•		•		6-30ft x 4-25ft	some cultivars perform well in many SF locations
Prunus virginiana var. demissa	western chokeberry	shrub		•	d		•	•	•	•	М	•		•		20-30ft x 18-25ft	good screen; erosion control
Quercus agrifolia	coast live oak	tree		•	е	Τ	•	•	•	•	VL	•	•	•		20-50ft x 30-6 ft	uneven performer as street tree
Quercus chrysolepis	canyon live oak	tree		•	е		•	•	•		VL	•	• •	•		20-60ft x 20-60ft	erosion control
Quercus lobata	valley oak	tree	•	•	d			•	•	•	L	•		•		50-70ft x 60-80ft	
Quercus macrocarpa	bur oak	tree	•	•	d			•	•	•	М	•		•		60-70ft x 60-75ft	
Rhamnus crocea	redberry buckthorn	shrub		•	е			•	•	•	?	•	•	•		2-3ft x 3-6ft	requires good drainage
Ribes aureum	golden currant	shrub		•	d	S		•	•	•	L	•	•	•		3-6ft x 3-6ft	
Ribes menziessi	canyon gooseberry	shrub		•	d			•	•	•	VL	•	•	•		10ft x 7ft	
Ribes sanguineum glutinosum	red-flowering currant	shrub		•	d		•	•	•	•	L	•	•	•		5-12ft x5-12ft	
Ribes speciosum	fuchsia-flowering	shrub		•	е			•	•	•	L	•	•	•		4-8ft x 6-10ft	
Rosa californica	California wild rose	shrub	•	•	d		•	•	•	•	L	•	• •	•		5-12ft x 5-12ft	excellent for bank stabilization
Rosa gymnocarpa	wood rose	shrub		•	d		•		•		?	•		•		2-4ft x 2-4ft	
Rubus ursinus	California blackberry	shrub	•	•	d		•	•	•	•	L		•	•		1ft x 4ft, spreadin	g
Salix laevigata	red willow	tree	•	•	d			•	•	•	Н	•	•	•		30ft x 30ft	avoid sidewalks
Salix lasiolepis	arroyo willow	tree	•	•	d		•	•	•	•	Н	•	•	•		30ft x 20ft	avoid sidewalks

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			Zone A	Fvergreen/Decidions	DPW recommended	Ocally Hative	Loam Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun Partial shade Shade	Spring Summer Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Salix lucida ssp. lasiandra	shining willow	tree	•	• C		•	• •	Н	• •	•	20-50ft x 20-30ft	avoid sidewalks
Salvia clevelandii	Cleveland sage	shrub		• 6	s S	•	• •	L	•	•	4-6ft x 4-6ft	
Salvia leucophylla	purple sage	shrub		• 6	S	•	• •	L	•	•	4-6ft x 6-8ft	
Salvia spathacea	hummingbird sage	perennial		•	S	•	• •	L	• •	•	2ft x 4ft	
Sambucus nigra cerulea	blue elderberry	shrub	•	• 0	1	•	• •	L	• •	• •	15-20ft x 15-20ft	
Santolina spp.	santolina	shrub		• 6	S	•	• •	L	•	•	2-4ft x 2-4ft	
Schoenoplectus acutus*	tule	emergent	•			•	•	?	•	•	3-10ft, spreading	
Schoenoplectus americanus*	three square	emergent	•	•		•	•	?	•	•	3-6ft, spreading	
Schoenoplectus californicus*	bulrush	grass	•	•			• •	?	•	•	5-8ft, spreading	intolerant to shade
Schoenoplectus maritimus*	prairie bulrush	grass	•			•	• •	?	•	•	4-5ft, spreading	
Scrophularia californica	bee plant; California figwort	perennial	•	•	S	•	• •	L	• •	• •	4ft x 4ft, spreading	erosion control
Sedum spathulifolium	broadleaf stonecrop	succulent		•	S	•	• •	L	•	• •	< 1ft x 1ft	host plant for San Bruno elfin butterfly
Senecio hydrophilus	alkali marsh ragwort	perennial	•	•		•	• •	?	• •	• •	2-5ft x 1-3ft	
Sidalcea malviflora	checkerbloom	perennial	•	•		•	•	М	•	• •	1ft x 1ft	
Sisyrinchium bellum	blue-eyed grass	perennial	•	•		•	•	VL	• •	•	1ft x 1ft	
Sisyrinchium californicum	yellow-eyed grass	perennial	•			•	•	VL	• •	• •	1-2ft x 1-2ft	prefers moist conditions
Solanum umbelliferum	nightshade	perennial		•		•	• •	VL	•	• • •	1-2ft x 1-2ft	

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			Zone A	Lone B Everareen/Deciduous	DPW recommended	locally native	Clay	Loam Sand	WUCOLS Region #1	Full sun Partial shade	Spring	Surinited Fall Winter	Approximate Height x Width	
Solidago spathulata	coast goldenrod	perennial		•	S	•	•	• •	VL	• •		•	2ft x 2ft	
Solidago velutina californica	California goldenrod	perennial	•	•	S	•	•	• •	VL	• •	•	•	2-4ft x 2-4ft	
Stachys byzantina	lambs ears	perennial		•	S		•	• •	VL	• •	• (1-2ft, spreading	
Stipa lepida*	foothill needlegrass	grass	•	•			•	•	VL	•	•		3ft x 2ft	tolerates poor soils
Stipa pulchra*	purple needlegrass	grass	•	•		•	•	•	VL	•	•		3ft x 2ft	
Symphoricarpos albus	common snowberry	shrub	•	• d	S	•	•	•	VL	•	•		4-6ft x 4-6ft	prefers heavy, clay soils
Thuja occidentalis	American arborvitae	tree	•	• e			•	•	VL	• •	•		30-60ft x 10-15ft	
Thymus pseudolanuginosus	wooly thyme	perennial	•	•	S		•	• •	VL	• •	•		< 1ft x 3ft	
Tristaniopsis laurina*	water gum	tree	•	• e	T		•	• •	VL	•	•		30-45ft x 20-30ft	performs well in most of SF
Typha latifolia	common cattail	perennial	•			•	•	• •	?	•	•		7-12ft, spreading	
Umbellularia californica	California bay laurel	tree	•	• e		•	•	•	VL	• •	•		50-75ft x 75-100ft	good for open spaces, avoid sidewalks
Vaccinium ovatum	California huckleberry	shrub		• e		•		• •	М	• •	• •		3-10ft x 3-10ft	
Vitis californica 'Roger's Red'	California wild grape	vine	•	• d			•	• •	L	• •		•	up to 30ft	
Woodwardia fimbriata	giant chain fern	fern	•	•			•	• •	М	•			4-5ft x 3ft	

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Trees

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Acer circinatum, vine maple

Acer macrophyllum, big leaf maple

Acer rubrum, red maple

Aesculus californica, California buckeye

Alnus rhombifolia, white alder

Betula occidentalis, water birch

Betula species, birch

Carya illinoinensis, pecan

Casuarina cunninghamiana, river she-oak

Celtis laevigata, common hackberry

Cercis occidentalis, western redbud

Chionanthus retusus, Chinese fringe tree

Corymbia citriodora, lemon-scented gum

Diospyros virginiana, persimmon

Eucalyptus erythrocorys, red-cap gum

Fraxinus latifolia, Oregon ash

Geijera parvifolia, Australian willow

Gingko biloba, maidenhair tree

Gleditsia triacanthos 'Shademaster', honey locust

Grevillea robusta, silk oak

Juglans hindsii, California black walnut

Lagunaria pattersonii, Norfolk Island hibiscus tree

Liquidambar styraciflua, American sweet gum

Lyonothamnus floribundus asplenifolius, Catalina ironwood

Magnolia grandiflora cultivars, southern magnolia

Magnolia virginia, sweet bay

Melaleuca stypheloides, black tea tree

Melaleuca viminalis, weeping bottle brush

Melaleuca viridiflora rubriflora, cajeput tree

Morella californica, Pacific wax myrtle

Morus alba, white mulberry

Nyssa sylvatica, tupelo, black gum

Platanus occidentalis, American sycamore

Platanus racemosa, California sycamore

Populus fremontii, Fremont's Cottonwood

Prunus spp., flowering plum & cherry

Quercus agrifolia, coast live oak

Quercus chrysolepis, canyon live oak

Quercus lobate, valley oak
Quercus macrocarpa, bur oak
Salix laevigata, red willow
Salix lasiolepis, arroyo willow
Salix lucida ssp. Lasiandra, shining willow
Thuja occidentalis, American arborvitae
Tristaniopsis laurina, water gum
Umbellularia californica, California bay laurel
Quercus macrocarpa, bur oak



Fremontedendron californicum. Photo: Barbara Eisenstein

Shrubs

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Amelanchier alnifolia, western serviceberry

Arctostaphylos densiflora, manzanita

Arctostaphylos tomentosa crustacean, Lake Merced brittleleaf manzanita

Arctostaphylos 'Emerald Carpet', Emerald Carpet

Artemisia californica, coastal sagebrush

Baccharis pilularis, coyote brush

Baccharis salicifolia, mule-fat

Berberis aquifolium, barberry

Berberis aquifolium repens, creeping Oregon grape

Berberis pinnata, California holly grape

Berberis thunbergii, Japanese barberry

Calycanthus occidentalis, western spice bush

Carpenteria californica, bush anemone

Ceanothus spp., ceanothus

Cephalanthus occidentalis, buttonbush

Cercocarpus betuloides, mountain mahogany

Cistus species and cultivars, rockrose

Cornus sericea & varieties, redtwig dogwood

Corylus cornuta californica, western hazelnut

Frangula californica, coffeeberry

Garrya elliptica, coast silktassel

Gaultheria shallon, salal

Heteromeles arbutifolia, toyon

Holodiscus discolor, oceanspray, cream bush

Lupinus albifrons, silver bush lupine

Malva assurgentiflora, tree mallow

Philadelphus lewisii, native mock orange

Physocarpus capitatus, Pacific ninebark

Pittosporum tobira, mock orange

Prunus emarginata, bitter cherry

Prunus ilicifolia, holly leaf cherry

Prunus virginiana var. demissa, western chokeberry

Rhamnus crocea, redberry buckthorn

Ribes aureum, golden currant

Ribes menziessi, canyon gooseberry

Ribes sanguineum glutinosum, red-flowering currant

Ribes speciosum, fuchsia-flowering gooseberry

Rosa californica, California wild rose

Rosa gymnocarpa, wood rose Rubus ursinus, California blackberry Salvia clevelandii, Cleveland sage Salvia leucophylla, purple sage Sambucus nigra cerulean, blue elderberry Santolina species and cultivars, santolina Symphoricarpos albus, common snowberry Vaccinium ovatum, California huckleberry

Perennials

Achillea millefolium, yarrow Acmispon glaber, common deerweed Aquilegia Formosa, western columbine Armeria maritime, sea thrift Artemisia douglasiana, mugwort Asarum caudatum, wild ginger Asclepias fascicularis, narrowleaf milkweed

Asclepias speciose, showy milkweed

Aster radulinus, rough-leaved aster

Atriplex californica, California saltbush

Cerastium arvense, field chickweed

Chamaemelum nobile, chamomile

Clinopodium douglasii, yerba buena

Delphinium californicum, California larkspur

Dicentra Formosa, Pacific bleeding heart

Dietes spp., fortnight lily

Epilobium canum, California fuchsia

Equisetum hyemale, scouring rush

Erigeron foliosus var. franciscensis, San Francisco leafy fleabane

Erigeron glaucus, seaside daisy

Eriogonum fasciculatum, California buckwheat

Eriogonum giganteum, St. Catherine's lace

Eriogonum latifolium, coast buckwheat

Eriogonum parvifolium, dune buckwheat

Eschscholzia californica, California poppy

Euthamia occidentalis, western goldenrod

Fragaria chiloensis, coast strawberry

Fragaria vesca, woodland strawberry

Frankenia salina, yerba reuma; sea heath

Grindelia hirsutula, gumweed

Heuchera micrantha, crevice alumroot

Hosackia gracilis, harlequin lotus

Iris douglasiana, Douglas iris; Pacific iris

Lavandula spp. & cvs., lavender

Limonium californicum, marsh rosemary

Lupinus bicolor, miniature lupine

Mimulus aurantiacus, sticky monkeyflower

Mimulus cardinalis, scarlet monkeyflower

Mimulus guttatus, creek monkeyflower

Monardella villosa, coyote mint

Monardella villosa franciscana, San Francisco coyote mint

Nepeta spp., catmint

Oxalis oregana, redwood sorrel

Penstemon spp., penstemon

Phacelia californica, California phacelia

Plantago subnuda, tall coastal plantain

Prosartes hookeri, Hooker's fairy bells

Prunella vulgaris, self-heal

Salvia spathacea, hummingbird sage

Scrophularia californica, bee plant; California figwort

Senecio hydrophilus, alkali marsh ragwort

Sidalcea malviflora, checkerbloom

Sisyrinchium bellum, blue-eyed grass

Sisyrinchium californicum, yellow-eyed grass

Solanum umbelliferum, nightshade

Solidago spathulata, coast goldenrod

Solidago velutina californica, California goldenrod

Stachys byzantine, lambs ears

Thymus pseudolanuginosus, wooly thyme

Typha latifolia, common cattail

Grasses and Grass-like plants

Acorus gramineus, sweet flag Agrostis exarata, bentgrass Agrostis hallii, Hall's bentgrass Agrostis pallens, bentgrass Alopecurus saccatus, Pacific foxtail Bouteloua gracilis, blue grama Bromus carinatus, California brome Calamagrostis nutkaensis, Pacific reedgrass Carex barbarae, Santa Barbara sedge Carex densa, dense sedge Carex obnupta, slough sedge Carex pansa, Pacific dune sedge Carex praegracilis, clustered field sedge Carex tumulicola, foothill sedge Chondropetalum tectorum, cape rush Deschampsia cespitosa, tufted hairgrass Distichlis spicata, salt grass Eleocharis macrostachya, pale spikerush Eleocharis palustris, creeping spikerush Elymus glaucus, blue wild rye Elymus trachycaulus, slender wheatgrass Elymus triticoides, creeping wild rye Festuca californica, California fescue Festuca idahoensis, Idaho fescue Festuca rubra, red fescue Hordeum brachyantherum, meadow barley Juncus patens, spreading rush Juncus xiphiodes, irisleaf rush Koeleria macrantha, prairie junegrass Melica californica, California melic Melica imperfect, coast range melic Miscanthus sinensis, Japanese silver grass Muhlenbergia rigens, deer grass Panicum virgatum, switchgrass Pleuropogon californicus, semaphore grass Poa unilateralis, San Francisco bluegrass Schoenoplectus acutus, tule Schoenoplectus americanus, three square Schoenoplectus californicus, bulrush Schoenoplectus maritimus, prairie bulrush Stipa lepida, foothill needlegrass Stipa pulchra, purple needlegrass



Fragaria chiloensis (Coastal Strawberry). Photo: Barbara Eisenstein

Ferns

Adiantum jordanii, California maidenhair fern Dryopteris expansa, spreading wood fern Pellaea andromedaefolia, coffee fern Polypodium scouleri, leather leaf fern Polystichum munitum, western sword fern Woodwardia fimbriata, giant chain fern

Vines

Aristolochia californica, pipevine Calystegia purpurata, morning glory Clematis lasiantha, pipestems; chaparral clematis Clematis ligusticifolia, western white clematis Marah oregano, coastal manroot Vitis californica 'Roger's Red', California wild grape



Polystichum munitum (Western Sword Fern) and Fragaria vesca (Woodland Strawberry). Photo: Becky Lithander





Top: Lavatera assurgentiflora (Tree Mallow), bottom: Eriogonum fasciculatum (California Buckwheat). Photo: Barbara Eisenstein



Eschscholzia californica (California Poppy). Photo: Barbara Eisenstein

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