



Shadow Cliffs Plants

A photographic guide to
wild plants of
Shadow Cliffs
Regional Recreation Area

Sorted by
Scientific Name

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More than 2,000 species of native and naturalized plants grow wild in the San Francisco Bay Area. Most are very difficult to identify without the help of good illustrations. This is designed to be a simple, color photo guide to help you identify some of these plants.

The selection of plants displayed in this guide is by no means complete. The intent is to expand the quality and quantity of photos over time. The revision date is shown on the cover and on the header of each photo page. A comprehensive plant list for this area (including the many species not found in this publication) can be downloaded at the East Bay Regional Park District's wild plant download page at: <http://www.ebparks.org>.

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In this version of the guide, the included plants are sorted alphabetically by scientific name. Under each photograph are four lines of information, based on upon the current standard wild plant reference for California: *The Jepson Manual: Higher Plants of California*, 1993.

<i>Scientific Name</i>	Scientific names revised since 1993 are NOT included in this edition.
Common Name	These non-standard names are based on <i>Jepson</i> and other local references.
Origin & Longevity	Native or Introduced. Annual, Biennial, Perennial, or a combination.
Scientific Family Name	The scientific plant family name according to <i>Jepson</i> .

For readers that prefer a guide focusing on showy wildflowers, sorted by flower color and emphasizing common names, please download the “wildflower” version of this guide.

Readers are encouraged to email any suggestions or corrections to wlegard@ebparks.org.

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Aira caryophylla
Silver European Hair Grass
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Amsinckia grandiflora
Largeflower Fiddleneck
Native Annual
Boraginaceae



Amsinckia menziesii var. *intermedia*
Common Fiddleneck
Native Annual
Boraginaceae



Anagallis arvensis
Scarlet Pimpernel
Introduced Annual
Primulaceae



Artemisia douglasiana
California Mugwort
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Avena barbata
Slender Wild Oat
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Baccharis pilularis
Coyote Bush
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Baccharis salicifolia
Mulefat
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Bellardia trixago
Bellardia
Introduced Annual
Scrophulariaceae



Brassica nigra
Black Mustard
Introduced Annual
Brassicaceae



Bromus diandrus
Rippgut Brome
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Bromus hordeaceus
Soft Brome
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Cardamine oligosperma
Western Bitter Cress
Native Annual
Brassicaceae



Carduus pycnocephalus
Italian Thistle
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Castilleja attenuata
Valley Tassels
Native Annual
Scrophulariaceae



Castilleja exserta ssp. *exserta*
Purple Owl's Clover
Native Annual
Scrophulariaceae



Centaurea solstitialis
Yellow Star Thistle
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Chamomilla suaveolens
Pineapple Weed
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Conium maculatum
Poison Hemlock
Introduced Biennial
Apiaceae



Conyza bonariensis
South American Horseweed
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Crassula connata
Sand Pygmy Weed
Native Annual
Crassulaceae



Cyperus eragrostis
Tall Nutsedge
Native Perennial
Cyperaceae



Dipsacus sativus
Wild Teasel
Introduced Biennial
Dipsacaceae



Eleocharis macrostachya
Common Spikerush
Native Perennial
Cyperaceae



Epilobium brachycarpum
Panicked / Weedy Willowherb
Native Annual
Onagraceae



Erodium botrys
Long-beaked Filaree
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Erodium cicutarium
Red-stem Filaree
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Erodium moschatum
White-stem Filaree
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Eschscholzia californica
California Poppy
Native Perennial
Papaveraceae



Euthamia occidentalis
Western Goldenrod
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Filago gallica
Fluffweed
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Foeniculum vulgare
Sweet Fennel
Introduced Perennial
Apiaceae



Geranium dissectum
Purplelip Cut-leaf Geranium
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Heteromeles arbutifolia
Toyon
Native Perennial
Rosaceae



Hordeum marinum ssp. gussoneanum
Mediterranean Barley
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Hordeum murinum ssp. leporinum
Hare Barley
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Hypochaeris glabra
Smooth Cat's-ear
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Juglans californica var. hindsii
N. California Black Walnut
Native Perennial
Juglandaceae



Lolium multiflorum
Awned Italian Rye Grass
Introduced Perennial
Poaceae



Lotus corniculatus
Bird's-foot Deerweed
Introduced Perennial
Fabaceae



Lotus purshianus var. *purshianus*
Spanish Clover
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Lupinus bicolor
Miniature Dove Lupine
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Lupinus succulentus
Arroyo Lupine
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Lythrum hyssopifolium
Grass Poly Loosestrife
Introduced Annual-Perennial
Lythraceae



Marrubium vulgare
Common Horehound
Introduced Perennial
Lamiaceae



Medicago polymorpha
California Bur Clover
Introduced Annual
Fabaceae



Melilotus indica
Sour Clover
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Fabaceae



Phalaris aquatica
Harding Grass
Introduced Perennial
Poaceae



Picris echioides
Bristly Ox-tongue
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Asteraceae



Plantago coronopus
Cut-leaf Plantain
Native Annual-Biennial
Plantaginaceae



Plantago erecta
California Dwarf Plantain
Native Annual
Plantaginaceae



Plantago lanceolata
English Plantain
Introduced Annual
Plantaginaceae



Plantago major
Common Plantain
Introduced Annual-Perennial
Plantaginaceae



Platanus racemosa
Western Sycamore
Native Perennial
Platanaceae



Polypogon monspeliensis
Annual Rabbitfoot Grass
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Raphanus sativus
Wild Radish
Introduced Annual
Brassicaceae



Rubus discolor
Himalayan Blackberry
Introduced Perennial
Rosaceae



Rubus ursinus
Native California Blackberry
Native Perennial
Rosaceae



Rumex crispus
Curly Dock
Introduced Perennial
Polygonaceae



Salix exigua
Narrowleaf Willow
Native Perennial
Salicaceae



Scirpus acutus var. *occidentalis*
Hardstem Bulrush
Native Perennial
Cyperaceae



Senecio vulgaris
Common Groundsel
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Silybum marianum
Milk Thistle
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Asteraceae



Sonchus asper ssp. *asper*
Prickly Sow Thistle
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Toxicodendron diversilobum
Poison Oak
Native Perennial
Anacardiaceae



Trifolium dubium
Shamrock Clover
Introduced Annual
Fabaceae



Trifolium hirtum
Rose Clover
Introduced Annual
Fabaceae



Vicia sativa ssp. sativa
Spring Vetch
Introduced Annual
Fabaceae