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A photographic guide to showy wildflowers of Claremont Canyon Regional Preserve

Sorted by Flower Color

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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 showy wildflowers 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, only showy wildflowers are included. These wildflowers are sorted first by flower color, then by plant family (similar flower types), and finally by scientific name within each family. Under each photograph are four lines of information, based on the current standard wild plant reference for California: *The Jepson Manual: Higher Plants of California*, 1993.

Common Name These non-standard names are based on *Jepson* and other local references.

Scientific Name
Scientific names revised since 1993 are NOT included in this edition.
Origin & Longevity
Native or Introduced. Annual, Biennial, Perennial, or a combination.

Family Name The common plant family name according to *Jepson*.

For readers that prefer a more comprehensive guide, sorted by scientific name, please download the "wild plants" version of this guide.

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

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California Buckeye Aesculus californica Native Perennial Buckeye Family



Common Yard Knotweed Polygonum arenastrum Introduced Annual Buckwheat Family



Poison Hemlock Conium maculatum Introduced Biennial Carrot Family



Cow Parsnip Heracleum lanatum Native Perennial Carrot Family



Shepherd's Needle Scandix pecten-veneris Introduced Annual Carrot Family



Common / California Manroot *Marah fabaceus* Native Perennial Gourd Family



Blue Elderberry
Sambucus mexicana
Native Perennial
Honeysuckle Family



Common Soap Plant

Chlorogalum pomeridianum var. pomeridianum

Native Perennial

Lily Family



Starry False Solomon's Seal

Smilacina stellata

Native Perennial

Lily Family



Common Horehound
Marrubium vulgare
Introduced Perennial
Mint Family



Climbing Morning Glory

Calystegia purpurata ssp. purpurata

Native Perennial

Morning-Glory Family



Shortstem Morning Glory

Calystegia subacaulis ssp. subacaulis

Native Perennial

Morning-Glory Family



Field Bindweed Convolvulus arvensis Introduced Perennial Morning-Glory Family



Blue Gum

Eucalyptus globulus
Introduced Perennial
Myrtle Family



Small-flower Nightshade Solanum americanum Native Annual-Perennial Nightshade Family



Mouse-ear Chickweed Cerastium glomeratum Introduced Annual Pink Family



Windmill Pink Silene gallica Introduced Annual Pink Family



Common Chickweed Stellaria media Introduced Annual Pink Family



California Dwarf Plantain

Plantago erecta

Native Annual

Plantain Family



English Plantain Plantago lanceolata Introduced Annual Plantain Family



Common Miner's Lettuce

Claytonia perfoliata ssp. perfoliata

Native Annual

Purslane Family



Creambush / Ocean Spray

Holodiscus discolor

Native Perennial

Rose Family



Oso Berry

Oemleria cerasiformis

Native Perennial

Rose Family



Western Chokecherry

Prunus virginiana var. demissa

Native Perennial

Rose Family



Himalayan Blackberry
Rubus discolor
Introduced Perennial
Rose Family



Native California Blackberry
Rubus ursinus
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Small-flower Alumroot Heuchera micrantha Native Perennial Saxifrage Family



California Saxifrage Saxifraga californica Native Perennial Saxifrage Family



Yarrow

Achillea millefolium

Native Perennial

Sunflower Family



Mayweed
Anthemis cotula
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



California Everlasting Gnaphalium californicum Native Biennial Sunflower Family



Wild Teasel
Dipsacus sativus
Introduced Biennial
Teasel Family



California Buttercup Ranunculus californicus Native Perennial Buttercup Family



Sweet Fennel
Foeniculum vulgare
Introduced Perennial
Carrot Family



Pacific Woodland Sanicle Sanicula crassicaulis Native Perennial Carrot Family



Western Leatherwood Dirca occidentalis Native Perennial Daphne Family



Black Mustard Brassica nigra Introduced Annual Mustard Family



Yellow Field Mustard

Brassica rapa

Introduced Annual

Mustard Family



Yellow Charlock Sinapis arvensis Introduced Annual Mustard Family



Bermuda Buttercup
Oxalis pes-caprae
Introduced Perennial
Oxalis Family



French Broom

Genista monspessulana

Introduced Perennial

Pea Family



Bird's-foot Deerweed Lotus corniculatus Introduced Perennial Pea Family



California Lotus Lotus wrangelianus Native Annual Pea Family



California Bur Clover Medicago polymorpha Introduced Annual Pea Family



Sour Clover
Melilotus indica
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Pea Family



Shamrock Clover Trifolium dubium Introduced Annual Pea Family



Birch-leaf Mt. Mahogany

Cercocarpus betuloides var. betuloides

Native Perennial

Rose Family



Bush Monkey Flower Mimulus aurantiacus Native Perennial Snapdragon Family



Large-flower Native Dandelion

Agoseris grandiflora

Native Perennial

Sunflower Family



Tocalote

Centaurea melitensis

Introduced Annual

Sunflower Family



Yellow Star Thistle Centaurea solstitialis Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Pineapple Weed Chamomilla suaveolens Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Golden Yarrow

Eriophyllum confertiflorum var. confertiflorum

Native Perennial

Sunflower Family



Rosilla

Helenium puberulum

Native Biennial

Sunflower Family



Smooth Cat's-ear Hypochaeris glabra Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Rough Cat's-ear Hypochaeris radicata Introduced Perennial Sunflower Family



Bristly Ox-tongue
Picris echioides
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Sunflower Family



Common Groundsel Senecio vulgaris Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Prickly Sow Thistle
Sonchus asper ssp. asper
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Common Sow Thistle Sonchus oleraceus Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Common Dandelion
Taraxacum officinale
Introduced Biennial-Perennial
Sunflower Family



Urospermum
Urospermum picroides
Introduced Annual-Perennial
Sunflower Family



Narrow-leaf Mule's Ear Wyethia angustifolia Native Perennial Sunflower Family



Coast Larkspur

Delphinium decorum ssp. decorum

Native Perennial

Buttercup Family



Rattlesnake Weed Daucus pusillus Native Annual Carrot Family



Purple Sanicle
Sanicula bipinnatifida
Native Perennial
Carrot Family



Panicled / Weedy Willowherb

Epilobium brachycarpum

Native Annual

Evening Primrose Family



Long-beaked Filaree
Erodium botrys
Introduced Annual
Geranium Family



Red-stem Filaree Erodium cicutarium Introduced Annual Geranium Family



White-stem Filaree Erodium moschatum Introduced Annual Geranium Family



Purpletip Cut-leaf Geranium

Geranium dissectum

Introduced Annual

Geranium Family



Hairy Dove's Foot Geranium Geranium molle Introduced Annual Geranium Family



Herb Robert

Geranium robertianum

Introduced Annual-Biennial

Geranium Family



Hairy Vine Honeysuckle

Lonicera hispidula var. vacillans

Native Perennial

Honeysuckle Family



Douglas Iris Iris douglasiana Native Perennial Iris Family



Giant Trillium Trillium chloropetalum Native Perennial Lily Family



Ithuriel's Spear Triteleia laxa Native Perennial Lily Family



Bull Mallow Malva nicaeensis Introduced Annual Mallow Family



Common Checkerbloom
Sidalcea malvaeflora ssp. malvaeflora
Native Perennial
Mallow Family



Common Rigid Hedge Nettle Stachys ajugoides var. rigida Native Perennial Mint Family



Wild Radish Raphanus sativus Introduced Annual Mustard Family



Pale Purple Pacific Pea

Lathyrus vestitus var. vestitus

Native Perennial

Pea Family



Blue Bush / Silver Lupine Lupinus albifrons var. albifrons Native Perennial Pea Family



Bay Area Silver Lupine Lupinus albifrons var. collinus Native Perennial Pea Family



Rose Clover Trifolium hirtum Introduced Annual Pea Family



Tomcat Clover Trifolium willdenovii Native Annual Pea Family



Spring Vetch
Vicia sativa ssp. sativa
Introduced Annual
Pea Family



Winter Vetch
Vicia villosa ssp. varia
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Pea Family



Ruby Sand Spurry
Spergularia rubra
Introduced Annual-Perennial
Pink Family



Mosquitobills Shooting Star *Dodecatheon hendersonii* Native Perennial Primrose Family



California Wild Rose Rosa californica Native Perennial Rose Family



Bellardia
Bellardia trixago
Introduced Annual
Snapdragon Family



Italian Thistle
Carduus pycnocephalus
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Bull Thistle
Cirsium vulgare
Introduced Biennial
Sunflower Family



Milk Thistle
Silybum marianum
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Sunflower Family



California / Rock Phacelia Phacelia californica Native Perennial Waterleaf Family



Large Hound's Tongue

Cynoglossum grande

Native Perennial

Borage Family



Forget-me-not Myosotis latifolia Introduced Perennial Borage Family



Greater Periwinkle
Vinca major
Introduced Perennial
Dogbane Family



Narrow-leaf Flax
Linum bienne
Introduced Perennial
Flax Family



Blue-eyed Grass Sisyrinchium bellum Native Perennial Iris Family



Blue Dicks

Dichelostemma capitatum ssp. capitatum

Native Perennial

Lily Family



Ookow

Dichelostemma congestum

Native Perennial

Lily Family



Blue Witch

Solanum umbelliferum

Native Perennial

Nightshade Family



Miniature Dove Lupine *Lupinus bicolor* Native Annual Pea Family



Arroyo Lupine

Lupinus succulentus

Native Annual

Pea Family



California Blue Gilia Gilia achilleifolia ssp. achilleifolia Native Annual Phlox Family



Baby Blue-eyes Nemophila menziesii var. menziesii Native Annual Waterleaf Family



Red / Crimson Columbine

Aquilegia formosa

Native Perennial

Buttercup Family



California Fuchsia

Epilobium canum ssp. canum

Native Perennial

Evening Primrose Family



California Poppy

Eschscholzia californica

Native Perennial

Poppy Family



Wind Poppy Stylomecon heterophylla Native Annual Poppy Family



Scarlet Pimpernel Anagallis arvensis Introduced Annual Primrose Family



Woolly Paintbrush

Castilleja foliolosa

Native Perennial

Snapdragon Family



California Figwort
Scrophularia californica ssp. californica
Native Perennial
Snapdragon Family