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A photographic guide to showy wildflowers of Coyote Hills Regional Park

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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Seaside Heliotrope

Heliotropium curassavicum

Native Perennial

Borage Family



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



Blue Elderberry
Sambucus mexicana
Native Perennial
Honeysuckle Family



Common Soap Plant

Chlorogalum pomeridianum var. pomeridianum

Native Perennial

Lily Family



Hidden-flower Cheeseweed Malva parviflora Introduced Annual Mallow Family



Alkali Mallow Malvella leprosa Native Perennial Mallow Family



Field Bindweed Convolvulus arvensis Introduced Perennial Morning-Glory Family



Slender Peren. Peppergrass

Lepidium latifolium

Introduced Perennial

Mustard Family



Blue Gum

Eucalyptus globulus
Introduced Perennial
Myrtle Family



White Sweet Clover Melilotus alba Introduced Annual-Biennial Pea Family



White Clover Trifolium repens Introduced Perennial Pea Family



Mouse-ear Chickweed Cerastium glomeratum Introduced Annual Pink Family



Windmill Pink Silene gallica Introduced Annual Pink Family



Stickwort

Spergula arvensis ssp. arvensis

Introduced Annual

Pink Family



Common Chickweed Stellaria media Introduced Annual Pink Family



English Plantain Plantago lanceolata Introduced Annual Plantain Family



Native California Blackberry
Rubus ursinus
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Yarrow Achillea millefolium Native Perennial Sunflower Family



Douglas/Salt Marsh Baccharis
Baccharis douglasii
Native Perennial
Sunflower Family



South American Horseweed Conyza bonariensis Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Common Water Plantain Alisma plantago-aquatica Native Perennial Water-Plantain Family



California Buttercup Ranunculus californicus Native Perennial **Buttercup Family** 



Sweet Fennel Foeniculum vulgare Introduced Perennial Carrot Family



Black Mustard Brassica nigra Introduced Annual Mustard Family



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



California Bur Clover  $Medicago\ polymorpha$ Introduced Annual Pea Family



Sour Clover Melilotus indica Introduced Annual-Biennial Pea Family



Bush Monkey Flower Mimulus aurantiacus Native Perennial Snapdragon 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



Brass Buttons Cotula coronopifolia Introduced Perennial Sunflower Family



Golden Yarrow Eriophyllum confertiflorum var. confertiflorum Native Perennial Sunflower Family



Western Goldenrod Euthamia occidentalis Native Perennial Sunflower Family



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



Common / Coast Tarweed Madia sativa Native Annual 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



Panicled / Weedy Willowherb
Epilobium brachycarpum
Native Annual
Evening Primrose Family



Alkali Heath Frankenia salina Native Perennial Frankenia 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



Ithuriel's Spear Triteleia laxa Native Perennial Lily Family



Bull Mallow Malva nicaeensis Introduced Annual Mallow Family



Wild Radish
Raphanus sativus
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



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



Rose Clover Trifolium hirtum Introduced 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



Italian Thistle
Carduus pycnocephalus
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Purple Star Thistle

Centaurea calcitrapa

Introduced Annual-Biennial

Sunflower Family



Bull Thistle
Cirsium vulgare
Introduced Biennial
Sunflower Family



Milk Thistle
Silybum marianum
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Sunflower Family



Purple Salsify
Tragopogon porrifolius
Introduced Biennial-Perennial
Sunflower Family



Lemon Verbena

Phyla nodiflora var. nodiflora

Native Perennial

Vervain Family



Blue-eyed Grass Sisyrinchium bellum Native Perennial Iris Family



Blue Dicks

Dichelostemma capitatum ssp. capitatum

Native Perennial

Lily Family



California Poppy Eschscholzia californica Native Perennial Poppy Family



Scarlet Pimpernel Anagallis arvensis Introduced Annual Primrose Family



California Figwort

Scrophularia californica ssp. californica

Native Perennial

Snapdragon Family