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A photographic guide to showy wildflowers of Five Canyons Regional Open Space

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



Poison Hemlock Conium maculatum Introduced Biennial 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



Subterranean Clover Trifolium subterraneum Introduced Annual Pea Family



Mouse-ear Chickweed Cerastium glomeratum Introduced Annual Pink Family



Common Chickweed

Stellaria media
Introduced Annual
Pink Family



English Plantain Plantago lanceolata Introduced Annual Plantain Family



Woodland Strawberry
Fragaria vesca
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Native California Blackberry
Rubus ursinus
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Yarrow Achillea millefolium Native Perennial Sunflower Family



California Buttercup Ranunculus californicus Native Perennial Buttercup Family



Prickleseed Buttercup Ranunculus muricatus Introduced Annual Buttercup Family



Sweet Fennel Foeniculum vulgare Introduced Perennial Carrot Family



Pacific Woodland Sanicle Sanicula crassicaulis Native Perennial Carrot Family



Golden Eggs Suncup Camissonia ovata Native Perennial Evening Primrose Family



California Bur Clover Medicago polymorpha Introduced Annual Pea Family



Shamrock Clover Trifolium dubium Introduced Annual Pea Family



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



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



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



Long-beaked Filaree Erodium botrys 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



Hairy Vine Honeysuckle

Lonicera hispidula var. vacillans

Native Perennial

Honeysuckle Family



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



Wild Radish
Raphanus sativus
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



California Tea Rupertia physodes Native Perennial Pea Family



Rose Clover Trifolium hirtum Introduced Annual Pea Family



Spring Vetch
Vicia sativa ssp. sativa
Introduced Annual
Pea Family



Bellardia
Bellardia trixago
Introduced Annual
Snapdragon Family



Purple Owl's Clover Castilleja exserta ssp. exserta Native Annual Snapdragon Family



Purple Star Thistle

Centaurea calcitrapa

Introduced Annual-Biennial

Sunflower Family



Bull Thistle
Cirsium vulgare
Introduced Biennial
Sunflower Family

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Blue-eyed Grass Sisyrinchium bellum Native Perennial Iris Family



Ookow Dichelostemma congestum Native Perennial Lily Family



Scarlet Pimpernel Anagallis arvensis Introduced Annual Primrose Family