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A photographic guide to showy wildflowers of Martinez Regional Shoreline

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



Common Yard Knotweed Polygonum arenastrum Introduced Annual Buckwheat 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



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



White Sweet Clover Melilotus alba Introduced Annual-Biennial Pea Family



English Plantain Plantago lanceolata Introduced Annual Plantain Family



Himalayan Blackberry
Rubus discolor
Introduced Perennial
Rose Family



Douglas/Salt Marsh Baccharis Baccharis douglasii Native Perennial Sunflower Family



Wild Teasel
Dipsacus sativus
Introduced Biennial
Teasel 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



Yellow Star Thistle Centaurea solstitialis Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Narrowleaf Pacific Gumplant Grindelia stricta var. angustifolia Native Perennial Sunflower Family



Fleshy Jaumea Jaumea carnosa Native Perennial Sunflower Family



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



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



Panicled / Weedy Willowherb

Epilobium brachycarpum

Native Annual

Evening Primrose Family



Alkali Heath Frankenia salina Native Perennial Frankenia Family



White-stem Filaree Erodium moschatum Introduced Annual Geranium Family



Pink/Purple

Bull Mallow Malva nicaeensis Introduced Annual Mallow Family



Wild Radish Raphanus sativus Introduced Annual Mustard Family



Ruby Sand Spurry Spergularia rubra Introduced Annual-Perennial Pink Family



Italian Thistle

Carduus pycnocephalus

Introduced Annual

Sunflower Family



Bull Thistle
Cirsium vulgare
Introduced Biennial
Sunflower Family



Cardoon / Artichoke Thistle

Cynara cardunculus

Introduced Perennial

Sunflower Family



Weedy Cudweed Gnaphalium luteo-album Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Milk Thistle
Silybum marianum
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Sunflower Family



Purple Salsify
Tragopogon porrifolius
Introduced Biennial-Perennial
Sunflower Family