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A photographic guide to showy wildflowers of Point Isabel 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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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



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



English Plantain Plantago lanceolata Introduced Annual Plantain Family



Himalayan Blackberry
Rubus discolor
Introduced Perennial
Rose Family



Sweet Fennel Foeniculum vulgare Introduced Perennial Carrot Family



Yellow Hottentot Fig Carpobrotus edulis Introduced Perennial Fig-Marigold 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



Sour Clover
Melilotus indica
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Pea Family



Brass Buttons

Cotula coronopifolia
Introduced Perennial
Sunflower Family



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



Rough Cat's-ear Hypochaeris radicata Introduced 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



Common Sow Thistle Sonchus oleraceus Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Panicled / Weedy Willowherb
Epilobium brachycarpum
Native Annual
Evening Primrose Family



Sea Fig Carpobrotus chilensis Introduced Perennial Fig-Marigold Family



Alkali Heath Frankenia salina Native Perennial Frankenia Family



Long-beaked Filaree *Erodium botrys* Introduced Annual Geranium Family



White-stem Filaree Erodium moschatum Introduced Annual Geranium Family



Purpletip Cut-leaf Geranium Geranium dissectum Introduced Annual Geranium Family



Wild Radish Raphanus sativus Introduced Annual Mustard Family



Italian Thistle

Carduus pycnocephalus

Introduced Annual

Sunflower Family



Bull Thistle
Cirsium vulgare
Introduced Biennial
Sunflower Family



California Poppy
Eschscholzia californica
Native Perennial Poppy Family