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A photographic guide to showy wildflowers of Temescal Regional Recreation Area

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



Oregon / Coast Manroot Marah oreganus Native Perennial Gourd Family



Cow Parsnip

Heracleum lanatum

Native Perennial

Carrot Family



Blue Elderberry
Sambucus mexicana
Native Perennial
Honeysuckle Family



Pacific Water Parsley Oenanthe sarmentosa Native Perennial Carrot Family



Common Soap Plant

Chlorogalum pomeridianum var. pomeridianum

Native Perennial

Lily Family



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



Starry False Solomon's Seal Smilacina stellata Native Perennial Lily Family



Common Star Lily
Zigadenus fremontii
Native Perennial
Lily Family



Field Bindweed Convolvulus arvensis Introduced Perennial Morning-Glory Family



Milkmaids

Cardamine californica

Native Perennial

Mustard Family



Blue Gum

Eucalyptus globulus
Introduced Perennial
Myrtle Family



Subterranean Clover Trifolium subterraneum Introduced Annual Pea Family



Common Chickweed Stellaria media Introduced Annual Pink Family



English Plantain Plantago lanceolata Introduced Annual Plantain Family

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Woodland Strawberry Fragaria vesca Native Perennial Rose Family



Creambush / Ocean Spray Holodiscus discolor Native Perennial Rose Family



Oso Berry Oemleria cerasiformis Native Perennial Rose Family



Pacific Ninebark Physocarpus capitatus 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



Yarrow Achillea millefolium Native Perennial Sunflower Family



California Everlasting Gnaphalium californicum Native Biennial Sunflower Family



Rock Phacelia

Phacelia imbricata ssp. imbricata

Native Perennial

Waterleaf Family



Sweet Fennel Foeniculum vulgare Introduced Perennial Carrot Family



Pacific Woodland Sanicle
Sanicula crassicaulis
Native Perennial
Carrot Family



Erect-pod Winter Cress
Barbarea orthoceras
Native Perennial
Mustard Family



Yellow Field Mustard

Brassica rapa
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



Bermuda Buttercup
Oxalis pes-caprae
Introduced Perennial
Oxalis Family



Scotch Broom Cytisus scoparius Introduced Perennial Pea Family



French Broom

Genista monspessulana
Introduced Perennial
Pea Family



Bird's-foot Deerweed

Lotus corniculatus
Introduced Perennial
Pea Family



Birch-leaf Mt. Mahogany Cercocarpus betuloides var. betuloides Native Perennial Rose Family



Bush Monkey Flower Mimulus aurantiacus Native Perennial Snapdragon Family



Pineapple Weed Chamomilla suaveolens Introduced Annual Sunflower Family



Golden Yarrow

Eriophyllum confertiflorum var. confertiflorum

Native 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



Elegant Clarkia Clarkia unguiculata Native Annual Evening Primrose Family



Purpletip Cut-leaf Geranium Geranium dissectum Introduced Annual Geranium Family



Herb Robert

Geranium robertianum

Introduced Annual-Biennial

Geranium Family



Flowering/Pinkflower Currant
Ribes sanguineum var. glutinosum
Native Perennial
Gooseberry Family



Hairy Vine Honeysuckle

Lonicera hispidula var. vacillans

Native Perennial

Honeysuckle Family



Bull Mallow

Malva nicaeensis

Introduced Annual

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



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



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



Blue Witch
Solanum umbelliferum
Native Perennial
Nightshade Family



Indian Pink
Silene californica
Native Perennial
Pink Family



California Poppy Eschscholzia californica Native Perennial Poppy Family



California Figwort

Scrophularia californica ssp. californica

Native Perennial

Snapdragon Family



Checker Lily
Fritillaria affinis var. affinis
Native Perennial Lily Family