



Ardenwood Wildflowers

A photographic guide to
showy wildflowers of
Ardenwood
Historic Farm

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 <i>Jepson</i> and other local references.
<i>Scientific Name</i>	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 <i>Jepson</i> .

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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Wildflowers of Ardenwood Regional Preserve



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



Hidden-flower Cheeseweed
Malva parviflora
Introduced Annual
Mallow Family



Field Bindweed
Convolvulus arvensis
Introduced Perennial
Morning-Glory Family



White Clover
Trifolium repens
Introduced Perennial
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



Himalayan Blackberry
Rubus discolor
Introduced Perennial
Rose Family



Native California Blackberry
Rubus ursinus
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Puncture Vine
Tribulus terrestris
Introduced Annual
Caltrop Family



Sweet Fennel
Foeniculum vulgare
Introduced Perennial
Carrot Family



Black Mustard
Brassica nigra
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



Yellow Field Mustard
Brassica rapa
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



Bermuda Buttercup
Oxalis pes-caprae
Introduced Perennial
Oxalis 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



Common Purslane
Portulaca oleracea
Introduced Perennial
Purslane Family



Yellow Johnny-tuck
Triphysaria eriantha ssp. *eriantha*
Native Annual
Snapdragon 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



Dandelion-leaf Hawk's-beard
Crepis vesicaria ssp. *taraxifolia*
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Sunflower Family



Smooth Cat's-ear
Hypochaeris glabra
Introduced 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



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



Grass Poly Loosestrife
Lythrum hyssopifolium
Introduced Annual-Perennial
Loosestrife Family



Bull Mallow
Malva nicaeensis
Introduced Annual
Mallow Family



Wild Radish
Raphanus sativus
Introduced Annual
Mustard 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



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



Persian Speedwell
Veronica persica
Introduced Annual
Snapdragon Family



California Poppy
Eschscholzia californica
Native Perennial
Poppy Family



Scarlet Pimpernel
Anagallis arvensis
Introduced Annual
Primrose Family