



Del Valle Plants

A photographic guide to
wild plants of
Del Valle
Regional Park

Sorted by
Scientific Name

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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 plants 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, the included plants are sorted alphabetically by scientific name. Under each photograph are four lines of information, based on upon the current standard wild plant reference for California: *The Jepson Manual: Higher Plants of California*, 1993.

<i>Scientific Name</i>	Scientific names revised since 1993 are NOT included in this edition.
Common Name	These non-standard names are based on <i>Jepson</i> and other local references.
Origin & Longevity	Native or Introduced. Annual, Biennial, Perennial, or a combination.
Scientific Family Name	The scientific plant family name according to <i>Jepson</i> .

For readers that prefer a guide focusing on showy wildflowers, sorted by flower color and emphasizing common names, please download the “wildflower” version of this guide.

Readers are encouraged to email any suggestions or corrections to wlegard@ebparks.org.

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Acer macrophyllum
Bigleaf Maple
Native Perennial
Aceraceae



Achillea millefolium
Yarrow
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Achyrachaena mollis
Blow Wives
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Adiantum jordanii
Calif. Maidenhair Fern
Native Perennial
Pteridaceae



Aesculus californica
California Buckeye
Native Perennial
Hippocastanaceae



Agoseris grandiflora
Large-flower Native Dandelion
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Aira caryophyllea
Silver European Hair Grass
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Allium serra
Pink / Serrated Onion
Native Perennial
Liliaceae



Amsinckia menziesii var. *intermedia*
Common Fiddleneck
Native Annual
Boraginaceae



Anagallis arvensis
Scarlet Pimpernel
Introduced Annual
Primulaceae



Anthemis cotula
Mayweed
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Anthriscus caucalis
Bur-chervil
Introduced Annual
Apiaceae



Aphanes occidentalis
Lady's Mantle
Native Annual
Rosaceae



Artemisia californica
California Sagebrush
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Artemisia douglasiana
California Mugwort
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Asclepias fascicularis
Whorled/Narrow-leaf Milkweed
Native Perennial
Asclepiadaceae



Avena barbata
Slender Wild Oat
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Avena fatua
Wild Oat
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Baccharis pilularis
Coyote Bush
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Baccharis salicifolia
Mulefat
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Barbarea orthoceras
Erect-pod Winter Cress
Native Perennial
Brassicaceae



Bellardia trixago
Bellardia
Introduced Annual
Scrophulariaceae



Brassica nigra
Black Mustard
Introduced Annual
Brassicaceae



Brassica rapa
Yellow Field Mustard
Introduced Annual
Brassicaceae



Briza minor
Little Quaking Grass
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Bromus carinatus var. *carinatus*
California Brome
Native Perennial
Poaceae



Bromus diandrus
Rippgut Brome
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Bromus hordeaceus
Soft Brome
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Bromus madritensis ssp. *rubens*
Red Foxtail Brome
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Calochortus albus
White Fairy Lantern
Native Perennial
Liliaceae



Calochortus luteus
Yellow Mariposa Lily
Native Perennial
Liliaceae



Calochortus venustus
White Butterfly Mariposa Lily
Native Perennial
Liliaceae



Calystegia purpurata ssp. *purpurata*
Climbing Morning Glory
Native Perennial
Convolvulaceae



Calystegia subacaulis ssp. *subacaulis*
Shortstem Morning Glory
Native Perennial
Convolvulaceae



Capsella bursa-pastoris
Shepherd's Purse
Introduced Annual
Brassicaceae



Cardamine californica
Milkmaids
Native Perennial
Brassicaceae



Carduus pycnocephalus
Italian Thistle
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Castilleja affinis ssp. *affinis*
Common Indian Paintbrush
Native Perennial
Scrophulariaceae



Castilleja exserta ssp. *exserta*
Purple Owl's Clover
Native Annual
Scrophulariaceae



Ceanothus cuneatus var. *cuneatus*
Buckbrush
Native Perennial
Rhamnaceae



Centaurea calcitrapa
Purple Star Thistle
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Asteraceae



Centaurea solstitialis
Yellow Star Thistle
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Cerastium glomeratum
Mouse-ear Chickweed
Introduced Annual
Caryophyllaceae



Cercocarpus betuloides var. *betuloides*
Birch-leaf Mt. Mahogany
Native Perennial
Rosaceae



Chamaesyce serpyllifolia ssp. *serpyllifolia*
Thymeleaf Spurge
Native Annual
Euphorbiaceae



Chamomilla suaveolens
Pineapple Weed
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Chlorogalum pomeridianum var. *pomeridianum*
Common Soap Plant
Native Perennial
Liliaceae



Cirsium vulgare
Bull Thistle
Introduced Biennial
Asteraceae



Clarkia affinis
Small Clarkia
Native Annual
Onagraceae



Clarkia unguiculata
Elegant Clarkia
Native Annual
Onagraceae



Collinsia heterophylla
Chinese Houses
Native Annual
Scrophulariaceae



Conium maculatum
Poison Hemlock
Introduced Biennial
Apiaceae



Convolvulus arvensis
Field Bindweed
Introduced Perennial
Convolvulaceae



Conyza bonariensis
South American Horseweed
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Cotula coronopifolia
Brass Buttons
Introduced Perennial
Asteraceae



Cynoglossum grande
Large Hound's Tongue
Native Perennial
Boraginaceae



Cynosurus echinatus
Hedgehog Dogtail Grass
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Cyperus eragrostis
Tall Nutsedge
Native Perennial
Cyperaceae



Datisca glomerata
Durango Root
Native Perennial
Datisaceae



Delphinium hesperium ssp. pallescens
Pale Western Larkspur
Native Perennial
Ranunculaceae



Delphinium variegatum ssp. variegatum
Royal Larkspur
Native Perennial
Ranunculaceae



Dichelostemma capitatum ssp. capitatum
Blue Dicks
Native Perennial
Liliaceae



Dichelostemma congestum
Ookow
Native Perennial
Liliaceae



Dodecatheon hendersonii
Mosquitobills Shooting Star
Native Perennial
Primulaceae



Dryopteris arguta
Coastal Wood Fern
Native Perennial
Dryopteridaceae



Eleocharis macrostachya
Common Spikerush
Native Perennial
Cyperaceae



Elymus glaucus ssp. *glaucus*
Blue Wild Rye
Native Perennial
Poaceae



Epilobium canum ssp. *canum*
California Fuchsia
Native Perennial
Onagraceae



Epilobium densiflorum
Dense-flower Willowherb
Native Annual
Onagraceae



Eremocarpus setigerus
Turkey Mullain
Native Annual
Euphorbiaceae



Ericameria linearifolia
Interior Golden Bush
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Eriodictyon californicum
Yerba Santa
Native Perennial
Hydrophyllaceae



Eriophyllum confertiflorum var. *confertiflorum*
Golden Yarrow
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Erodium botrys
Long-beaked Filaree
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Erodium cicutarium
Red-stem Filaree
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Erodium moschatum
White-stem Filaree
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Eschscholzia californica
California Poppy
Native Perennial
Papaveraceae



Euthamia occidentalis
Western Goldenrod
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Filago gallica
Fluffweed
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Foeniculum vulgare
Sweet Fennel
Introduced Perennial
Apiaceae



Galium aparine
Goosegrass Bedstraw
Native Annual
Rubiaceae



Galium porrigens var. *porrigens*
Climbing Bedstraw
Native Perennial
Rubiaceae



Geranium dissectum
Purpletip Cut-leaf Geranium
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Geranium molle
Hairy Dove's Foot Geranium
Introduced Annual
Geraniaceae



Gnaphalium californicum
California Everlasting
Native Biennial
Asteraceae



Gnaphalium luteo-album
Weedy Cudweed
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Helenium puberulum
Rosilla
Native Biennial
Asteraceae



Heliotropium curassavicum
Seaside Heliotrope
Native Perennial
Boraginaceae



Heteromeles arbutifolia
Toyon
Native Perennial
Rosaceae



Holodiscus discolor
Creambush / Ocean Spray
Native Perennial
Rosaceae



Hordeum brachyantherum ssp. *brachyantherum*
Meadow Barley
Native Perennial
Poaceae



Hordeum marinum ssp. *gussoneanum*
Mediterranean Barley
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Hordeum marinum ssp. *leporinum*
Hare Barley
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Hypochaeris glabra
Smooth Cat's-ear
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Hypochaeris radicata
Rough Cat's-ear
Introduced Perennial
Asteraceae



Juncus bufonius var. *bufonius*
Toad Rush
Native Annual
Juncaceae



Juncus patens
Spreading Rush
Native Perennial
Juncaceae



Juncus xiphioides
Iris-leaf Rush
Native Perennial
Juncaceae



Lamarckia aurea
Goldentop Grass
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Lasthenia californica
Goldfields
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Lathyrus vestitus var. *vestitus*
Pale Purple Pacific Pea
Native Perennial
Fabaceae



Layia platyglossa
Common Tidytip
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Lemna minor
Common Lesser Duckweed
Native Perennial
Lemnaceae



Lepidium nitidum var. *nitidum*
Threadleaf Peppergrass
Native Annual
Brassicaceae



Linanthus androsaceus
Pinklobe Linanthus
Native Annual
Polemoniaceae



Linanthus bicolor
Bicolor Linanthus
Native Annual
Polemoniaceae



Lithophragma affine
Woodland Star
Native Perennial
Saxifragaceae



Lolium multiflorum
Awned Italian Rye Grass
Introduced Perennial
Poaceae



Lonicera hispidula var. *vacillans*
Hairy Vine Honeysuckle
Native Perennial
Caprifoliaceae



Lotus corniculatus
Bird's-foot Deerweed
Introduced Perennial
Fabaceae



Lotus scoparius var. *scoparius*
Deerweed
Native Perennial
Fabaceae



Lotus wrangelianus
California Lotus
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Lupinus bicolor
Miniature Dove Lupine
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Lupinus microcarpus var. *densiflorus*
Gully Lupine
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Lupinus nanus
Douglas Sky Lupine
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Lupinus succulentus
Arroyo Lupine
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Madia sativa
Common / Coast Tarweed
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Marah fabaceus
Common / California Manroot
Native Perennial
Cucurbitaceae



Marah oregonus
Oregon / Coast Manroot
Native Perennial
Cucurbitaceae



Marrubium vulgare
Common Horehound
Introduced Perennial
Lamiaceae



Medicago polymorpha
California Bur Clover
Introduced Annual
Fabaceae



Melica imperfecta
Coast Range Melic Grass
Native Perennial
Poaceae



Melilotus alba
White Sweet Clover
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Fabaceae



Melilotus indica
Sour Clover
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Fabaceae



Micropus californicus var. *californicus*
Slender Cottonweed
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Mimulus aurantiacus
Bush Monkey Flower
Native Perennial
Scrophulariaceae



Mimulus guttatus
Golden Monkey Flower
Native Perennial
Scrophulariaceae



Monardella villosa ssp. *villosa*
Common Coyotemint
Native Perennial
Lamiaceae



Nassella pulchra
Purple Needle Grass
Native Perennial
Poaceae



Nemophila heterophylla
Variable-leaf Nemophila
Native Annual
Hydrophyllaceae



Nicotiana glauca
Tree Tobacco
Introduced Perennial
Solanaceae



Oemleria cerasiformis
Oso Berry
Native Perennial
Rosaceae



Pentagramma triangularis ssp. *triangularis*
Goldenback Fern
Native Perennial
Pteridaceae



Pholistoma membranaceum
White Fiesta Flower
Native Annual
Hydrophyllaceae



Phyla nodiflora var. *nodiflora*
Lemon Verbena
Native Perennial
Verbenaceae



Picris echioides
Bristly Ox-tongue
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Asteraceae



Plagiobothrys nothofulvus
Nievitas Popcorn Flower
Native Annual
Boraginaceae



Plantago erecta
California Dwarf Plantain
Native Annual
Plantaginaceae



Plantago lanceolata
English Plantain
Introduced Annual
Plantaginaceae



Plantago major
Common Plantain
Introduced Annual-Perennial
Plantaginaceae



Platanus racemosa
Western Sycamore
Native Perennial
Platanaceae



Plectritis macrocera
Longhorn Plectritis
Native Annual
Valerianaceae



Poa secunda ssp. *secunda*
One-side Blue Grass
Native Perennial
Poaceae



Pogogyne serpylloides
Thymelike Pogogyne
Native Annual
Lamiaceae



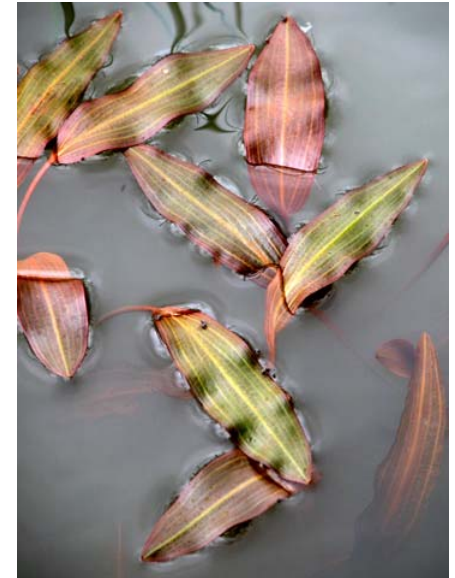
Polygonum arenastrum
Common Yard Knotweed
Introduced Annual
Polygonaceae



Polypodium calirhiza
Polypody Fern
Native Perennial
Polypodiaceae



Polypogon monspeliensis
Annual Rabbitfoot Grass
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Potamogeton nodosus
Long-leaf Pondweed
Native Perennial
Potamogetonaceae



Psilocarphus tenellus var. *tenellus*
Slender Woolly Heads
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Pteridium aquilinum var. *pubescens*
Bracken Fern
Native Perennial
Dennstaedtiaceae



Quercus agrifolia var. *agrifolia*
Coast Live Oak
Native Perennial
Fagaceae



Rafinesquia californica
California White Chicory
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Ranunculus californicus
California Buttercup
Native Perennial
Ranunculaceae



Ribes californicum var. *californicum*
Hillside Gooseberry
Native Perennial
Grossulariaceae



Ribes malvaceum var. *malvaceum*
Chaparral Currant
Native Perennial
Grossulariaceae



Ribes menziesii
Canyon Gooseberry
Native Perennial
Grossulariaceae



Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum
White Water Cress
Native Perennial
Brassicaceae



Rosa californica
California Wild Rose
Native Perennial
Rosaceae



Rubus ursinus
Native California Blackberry
Native Perennial
Rosaceae



Rumex crispus
Curly Dock
Introduced Perennial
Polygonaceae



Rupertia physodes
California Tea
Native Perennial
Fabaceae



Salix exigua
Narrowleaf Willow
Native Perennial
Salicaceae



Salvia mellifera
Black Sage
Native Perennial
Lamiaceae



Sambucus mexicana
Blue Elderberry
Native Perennial
Caprifoliaceae



Sanicula bipinnatifida
Purple Sanicle
Native Perennial
Apiaceae



Sanicula crassicaulis
Pacific Woodland Sanicle
Native Perennial
Apiaceae



Saxifraga californica
California Saxifrage
Native Perennial
Saxifragaceae



Scirpus acutus var. *occidentalis*
Hardstem Bulrush
Native Perennial
Cyperaceae



Scrophularia californica ssp. *californica*
California Figwort
Native Perennial
Scrophulariaceae



Senecio vulgaris
Common Groundsel
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Sherardia arvensis
Blue Field Madder
Introduced Annual
Rubiaceae



Silene gallica
Windmill Pink
Introduced Annual
Caryophyllaceae



Silybum marianum
Milk Thistle
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Asteraceae



Sisymbrium officinale
Hedge Mustard
Introduced Annual
Brassicaceae



Sisyrinchium bellum
Blue-eyed Grass
Native Perennial
Iridaceae



Solanum umbelliferum
Blue Witch
Native Perennial
Solanaceae



Soliva sessilis
Common Soliva
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Sonchus asper ssp. asper
Prickly Sow Thistle
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Sonchus oleraceus
Common Sow Thistle
Introduced Annual
Asteraceae



Spargularia rubra
Ruby Sand Spurry
Introduced Annual-Perennial
Caryophyllaceae



Stachys ajugoides var. rigida
Common Rigid Hedge Nettle
Native Perennial
Lamiaceae



Stellaria media
Common Chickweed
Introduced Annual
Caryophyllaceae



Stylomecon heterophylla
Wind Poppy
Native Annual
Papaveraceae



Symphoricarpos albus var. laevigatus
Bush / Common Snowberry
Native Perennial
Caprifoliaceae



Symphoricarpos mollis
Creeping Snowberry
Native Perennial
Caprifoliaceae



Thysanocarpus curvipes
Hairy Fringepod
Native Annual
Brassicaceae



Torilis arvensis
Hedge Parsley
Introduced Annual
Apiaceae



Torilis nodosa
Knotted Hedge Parsley
Introduced Annual
Apiaceae



Toxicodendron diversilobum
Poison Oak
Native Perennial
Anacardiaceae



Tragopogon porrifolius
Purple Salsify
Introduced Biennial-Perennial
Asteraceae



Trichostema lanceolatum
Vinegar Weed
Native Annual
Lamiaceae



Trifolium gracilentum var. *gracilentum*
Pinpoint Clover
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Trifolium hirtum
Rose Clover
Introduced Annual
Fabaceae



Trifolium microcephalum
Small-head Clover
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Trifolium willdenovii
Tomcat Clover
Native Annual
Fabaceae



Triphysaria pusilla
Dwarf Owl's Clover
Native Annual
Scrophulariaceae



Triteleia laxa
Ithuriel's Spear
Native Perennial
Liliaceae



Typha angustifolia
Narrow-leaf Cattail
Native Perennial
Typhaceae



Umbellularia californica
California Bay Laurel
Native Perennial
Lauraceae



Urtica dioica ssp. *holosericea*
Creek Stinging Nettle
Native Perennial
Urticaceae



Urtica urens
Dwarf Stinging Nettle
Introduced Annual
Urticaceae



Verbascum thapsus
Common Woolly Mullein
Introduced Biennial
Scrophulariaceae



Verbena lasiostachys var. *scabrida*
Robust Vervain
Native Perennial
Verbenaceae



Veronica americana
American Brooklime Speedwell
Native Perennial
Scrophulariaceae



Veronica persica
Persian Speedwell
Introduced Annual
Scrophulariaceae



Vicia sativa ssp. *sativa*
Spring Vetch
Introduced Annual
Fabaceae



Vicia villosa ssp. *varia*
Winter Vetch
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Fabaceae



Viola pedunculata
Johnny-Jump-Up / Wild Pansy
Native Perennial
Violaceae



Vulpia bromoides
Six-weeks Fescue
Introduced Annual
Poaceae



Vulpia microstachys var. *pauciflora*
Few-flower Fescue
Native Annual
Poaceae



Wyethia angustifolia
Narrow-leaf Mule's Ear
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Wyethia helenioides
Gray Mule's Ear
Native Perennial
Asteraceae



Xanthium spinosum
Spiny Clobur
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Xanthium strumarium
Cocklebur
Native Annual
Asteraceae



Zigadenus fremontii
Common Star Lily
Native Perennial
Liliaceae