

## Catalogue of Native California Wetland and Riparian Plants

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### ***Acer circinatum (cn)***

### **Vine Maple**

Native to streams and moist woodlands. Grows under tall conifers. Reddish color. Deciduous. CA native.

Grows 5-20' tall. Keep moist.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone: 5

### ***Acer negundo (cn)***

### **California Box Elder**

Deciduous species of maple tree. Riparian tree tolerant to all weather conditons. Great shade tree. CA native.

Grows 10-15' tall. Keep moist. Fast growing.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: pink      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 2

### ***Achillea millefolium (cn)***

### **Common Yarrow**

Aromatic green fern-like foliage with long lasting clusters of white flowers. Attracts butterflies. Medicinal uses. Hardy. CA native.

Wide spreading. Can be mowed. Tolerates drought. Prefers sandy soil. Grows 2-3' tall.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone: 3

### ***Aesculus californica (cn)***

### **California Buckeye**

Beautiful small tree, smooth gray bark, green palm-like leaves. Fragrant pink-white flowers.

Drops leaves in summer. Attracts Swallowtail. CA native.

Grows to 15' or more. Enjoys water but tolerates drought. Toxic to mammals.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Alisma plantago-aquatica (cn)***

### **Water Plantain**

Elongated green leaves. White flowers grow on a branching, long stem. Medicinal qualities.

Edible. CA native.

Must be wet at all times. Grows to 3' tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone: 6

### ***Alnus rhombifolia (cn)***

### **White Alder**

Deciduous riparian tree. Fast growing. Tolerates heavy soil, sun or shade, and flooding.

Grows to 40' tall. Prefers moisture. Tolerates wind.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 7

### ***Anemopsis californica (cn)***

### **Yerba Mansa**

Conic white flowers and bluish-tinged leaves. Medicinal herb. Native to southwestern North America. CA native.

Prefers brackish water. Propagates by runners. Grows 12" tall and 2-3' wide.

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### ***Angelica lucida (cn)***

### **Seacoast Angelica**

Green leaves and large clusters of white flowers up to 1' across. Attracts bees and butterflies. CA native.

Flower stalks up to 5' tall. Keep moist.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Angelica tomentos (cn)***

### **Foothill angelica**

Inland angelica found on moist slopes. Medicinal and shamanistic uses by Pomo tribe. Gray-green leaves.

Grows to 3' tall. Keep moist most of the year with no water at end of summer.

Habit: Landscape      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Apocynum cannabinum (cn)***

### **Indian Hemp (Dogbane)[limited quantities]**

Wild meadow plant with small white flowers in summer. Used by Native Americans for rope. CA native.

Fast growing. Grows to 3' tall. Very moist to dry soil.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Artemisia douglasiana (cn)***

### **Mugwort**

Attractive fragrant foliage with history of medicinal uses. Leaves are green on top, silvery beneath. Indistinct flower. Good for birds. CA native.

Grows to 3' tall. Keep moist.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Asclepias fascicularis***

### **Narrowleaf Milkweed**

Elegant, narrow leaves, bushy, clusters of rosy-pink flowers. Butterfly food, attracts pollinators. Deer tolerant. CA native.

Tolerates moist soil & drought, garden & clay. Grows 1-3' tall. Easy to grow. Dormant in winter.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: rosy-pink      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 3

### ***Asclepias speciosa***

### **Showy Milkweed**

Flower clusters 4-5", pink-lavender, fragrant. Large blue-green leaves. Low toxicity. Attracts butterflies, honeybees, other pollinators. CA native.

Prefers moist soil but tolerates drought. Grows 2-3' tall. Dormant in winter.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: pink-lavender      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone: 3

### ***Aster chilensis (cn)***

### **California Aster**

Vigorous native perennial covered with soft lavender daisies. Attract butterflies. CA native.

Sprawling to upright. Grows 20-40" tall. Tolerate heavy watering and drought. Prune in winter.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: lavender      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

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### ***Athyrium filix-femina (cn)***

### **Lady Fern**

Large feathery fern that enjoys wet woodlands. Easy to grow. CA native.

Prefers moist soil. Grows to 4' tall and 2-3' wide. Dormant in winter.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Baccharis douglasii (cn)***

### **Marsh Baccharis**

Grows in salt marshes. Good nectar source. Green-brown stems and silver-green foliage, white flowers. CA native.

Grows to 3' tall. Keep moist.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Blechnum spicant (cn)***

### **Deer Fern**

Deep green glossy fronds. Easy to grow. CA native.

Prefers moist soil. Grows 18-24" tall.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Boykinia occidentalis (cn)***

### **Coastal Brookfoam**

Grows in moist woods or near streams. Low-growing, clumping, with large green leaves and spray of white flowers. CA native.

Prefers shady areas and moist soil.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Calamagrostis nutkaensis (cn)***

### **Pacific Reed Grass**

Large bunch grass with wide green blades and attractive plume flowers. Good for woodland or meadow. Used in bioswales. Evergreen.

Grows 2-3' tall. Need some moisture. Deer resistant. Shade tolerant.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 7

### ***Calycanthus occidentalis (cn)***

### **Western Spice Bush**

Deciduous shrub with bright green foliage, red flowers with scent of wine. Grows along streams & rivers. CA native.

Likes heat. Keep moist. Grows 5-12' tall. Can be pruned as hedge or small tree.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: red      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Carex barbarae (cn)***

### **Basket (Santa Barbara) Sedge**

Clumping sedge with bright green blades and tufts of reddish-brown flowers. Good for containers. Used in basket weaving.

Regular moisture. Can be invasive. Grows 1-2' tall.

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### ***Carex nudata (cn)***

### **Black Flowering (Naked) Sedge**

Bright green dense mounding sedge. Black flowers. Dies back in winter. Good for containers. CA native.

Can be partially submerged. Grows 1-2.5' tall. Keep moist.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: black      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Carex obnupta (cn)***

### **Slough Sedge**

Grass-like foliage with wheat-like tops, flat dark green leaves. CA native.

Tall clumping grass-like plant grows in moist boggy conditions. Height 2'-3'.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Carex pansa (cn)***

### **Dune Sedge**

Durable spreading sedge that can be used as a native lawn substitute. Curling dark green foliage. CA native.

Stays green with regular moisture. Grows to 6" tall.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Carex tumulicola (cn)***

### **Foothill (Berkeley) Sedge**

Durable groundcover. Evergreen. Good for erosion control. CA native.

Prefers some shade. Grows to 12" tall.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Cercis occidentalis (cn)***

### **Western Redbud**

Small deciduous tree or shrub. Heart shaped leaves, aging to blue-green. Numerous rose-purple flowers in early spring. Flowers best in sun. CA native.

Grows to 15' tall. Multiple trunks unless pruned. Low moisture needs. Drought & deer tolerant.

Habit: Landscape      Bloom Color: magenta      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 5

### ***Cornus glabrata (cn)***

### **Brown Creek Dogwood**

Deciduous riparian shrub, brown stems and green - brown - red leaves, with creamy white flowers. Good for birds. CA native.

Grows 7-10' tall. Prefers moist soil and some shade. Good restoration plant. Do not submerge.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone: 7

### ***Cornus sericea 'Flaviramea' (cn)***

### **Yellow Twig Dogwood**

Medium-tall deciduous shrub with bright yellow branches and twigs in winter. Excellent for moist situations.

Grows 6'-9' tall with a spread of 8'-12'. Moist soil, tolerates clay and deer.

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### ***Cornus sericea occidentalis* (West Sonoma Co.) (cn)**

### **Western Redtwig Dogwood [limited quantities]**

Riparian shrub, forming broad clumps with red stems. Small white flower and fruit. Good for birds. CA native.

Grows 15-18' tall. Prefers wetland margins. Good restoration plant. Do not submerge.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 5

### ***Cyperus eragrostis* (cn)\***

### **Umbrella Sedge**

Grows in seasonal creeks and wet areas. Can be invasive. CA native.

Grows to 3' tall. Prefers wet clay or gravel.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone: 6

### ***Darmera peltata* (cn)**

### **Indian Rhubarb**

Clumps of pink flower spikes. Broad, round leaves. Good for pond margins and marsh gardens. Native to mountains of N. CA.

Grows 2'-4' tall. Prefers cooler location. Keep moist.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: pink      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Eleocharis montevidensis* (cn)**

### **Sand Spike Rush**

Bright green evergreen foilage. Attractive brown flowers appear on end of stems in summer. Spreads quickly via rhizomes.

Grows to 2' tall. Prefers moist soil. Prefers shallow water. Cut back each year.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 4

### ***Elymus glaucus* (cn)**

### **Blue Wildrye**

Species of wild rye forming upright clumps of blue-green blades. Good coastal plant. Deer resistant. Will stay green when watered. CA native.

Grows 1' tall. Flower stems grow at least 2' tall. Prefers light shade in heat.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 4

### ***Elymus triticoides* (cn)**

### **Creeping Wildrye**

Good for riparian restoration. Holds soil and prevents establishment of exotic weeds. Narrow blue-green blades form tufts. CA native.

Grows 1-3' tall. Rhizomatous. Sun or shade. Riparian.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Epipactus gigantea* 'Serpentine Night' (cn)**

### **Stream Orchid 'Serpentine Night'**

Dark burgandy leaves and stems. Flowers in spring. CA native.

Moist soil. Grows to 3' tall.

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### ***Epipactus gigantea (cn)***

### **Stream Orchid**

Dark green leaves and stems. Flowers in spring. CA native.

Moist soil. Grows to 3' tall.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone:

### ***Equisetum arvense (cn)***

### **Field Horsetail Rush**

Perennial fern with green hollow segmented stems. Sterile stems branch in regular whorls; fertile stems produce spores. Medicinal uses.

Grows 2-20" tall. Frost tolerant.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone: 2

### ***Equisetum hyemale (cn)***

### **Scouring Horsetail Rush**

Fern with dark green hollow segmented stems, turns orange in cooler weather. Cone shaped spores at tips of single stems. Native to CA.

Grows to 3'. Do not submerge crown. Can be invasive.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone: 4

### ***Equisetum hyemale v. robustum (cn)***

### **Giant Horsetail Rush**

Especially tall fern, dark green hollow segmented stems, turning orange in cooler weather. Cone-shaped spores at tips of stems. CA native.

Grows to 4' or more. Do not submerge crown. Can be invasive.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone: 4

### ***Equisetum laevigatum (cn)***

### **Smooth Horsetail Rush**

Perennial fern with bare green tubular stalk, tipped with brown cone. Dark bands up stalk with few branches. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows to 6' tall, but usually 2-3'.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone:

### ***Festuca idahoensis (cn)***

### **Idaho Fescue**

Medium sized bunchgrass with fine blades of blue-green foliage. CA native.

Grows to 1' tall. Drought , deer tolerant. Cold hardy.

Habit: Marginal

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone: 4

### ***Festuca rubra 'Molate' (cn)***

### **Creeping Red Fescue**

Soft clumps of fine gray-green foliage. Drought tolerant. Good lawn cover. Flowers rise up 3'. CA native.

Requires some moisture. Can be mowed. Prefers some shade in heat. Grows 1-1.5' tall.

Habit: Marginal

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone: 9

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### ***Fragaria vesca (cn)***

### **Wood Strawberry**

Woodland groundcover with small white flowers and red berries. CA native.

Prefers moist soil. Groundcover.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Fraxinus latifolia (cn)***

### **Oregon Ash**

Medium-sized deciduous tree, symmetrical in shape, with olive green leaves and gray-green to brown bark. Leaves vivid yellow in fall.

Prefers damp, loose soil and occasional flooding. Full sun to part shade. 35-80' tall.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Glyceria elata (cn)***

### **Fowl (Tall) Mannagrass**

Upright cool season riparian grass. Broad leaves with small delicate spikelets. Good fodder. CA native.

Prefers moist soil. Grows 1.5-2.5' tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Helenium autumnale (cn)***

### **Common Sneezeweed**

Large bright yellow daisies on 2-3 ft. stems. Lance-shaped green leaves. Attracts pollinators.

Does not cause hayfever! CA native.

Keep moist. Grows 2-3' tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: yellow      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Helenium bigelovii (cn)***

### **Bigelow's Sneezeweed**

Golden daisy like flowers, round dome center on 2-3 ft. stems. Lance-shaped green leaves.

Attracts pollinators. Does not cause hayfever! CA native.

Keep moist. Grows 2-3' tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: yellow      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Helenium puberulum (cn)***

### **Rosilla Sneezeweed**

Golden very small petals which quickly disappear to leave spherical center. Attracts pollinators.

Does not cause hayfever! CA native.

Keep moist. Grows 2-3' tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: yellow      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Hibiscus californicus syn. Lasiocarpus (cn)***

### **California Hibiscus**

Wetland hibiscus native to Sacramento River Delta. Fuzzy green leaves and broad white flowers.

Dormant in winter. Rare CA native.

Grows 3' tall. Prefers part shade and moist soil. Tolerates clay.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone: 4

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### ***Hippuris vulgaris (cn)***

### **Mare's Tail**

Creeping perennial herb that roots underwater. Narrow pine-tree like foliage grows above water surface. Ideal as oxygenator.

Can be submerged to 12". Grows to height of 24" above water surface.

Habit: Emerging      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Hordeum brachyantherum (cn)***

### **Meadow Barley**

Clumping perennial topped with slender purple-tinged bristles. Used as meadow grass, by vernal pools, seasonal flood plains. CA native.

Tolerates many soil types and seasonal flooding. Blades 6'10" tall. Fast growing.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Hydrocotyle ranunculoides (cn)***

### **Floating Marsh Pennywort**

Bright green aromatic marsh plant. Long creeping stems form dense mats. Shiny, leathery round leaves. Used as a Chinese herb. CA native.

Grows in swampy areas or on water surface. 2-6" above water surface. Can be submerged.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Hydrocotyle verticillata (cn)***

### **Umbrella Pennywort**

Creeping plant with round, deep green, umbrella-like foliage and umbel of white flowers.

Boggy moist soil to full submersion. Grows 2-3" in height.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Iris longipetala (cn)***

### **Coast Iris**

Uncommon CA native restricted to swales and moist areas in coastal grasslands from San Francisco to Monterey. Bluish-green leaves. CA native.

Prefers moist soil. Clumping, Grows 20' tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: lavender-blue      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Juncus 'Carman's Japan' (cn)***

### **Carman's Japanese Rush**

Clumping evergreen rush with graceful, narrow stems. Golden brown seed tufts appear in summer.

Grows to 18" height. Moist soil or submerged to 3" over top of pot.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone: 4

### ***Juncus effusus (cn)***

### **Soft Rush**

Dark green foliage with seedy flower clumps in spring. Evergreen with round stems & brown flowers in summer..

Grows 2'-3' tall. Keep soil moist. Clumping.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:



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### ***Juncus lesueurii* (cn)**

### **Salt Rush**

Dark green stemmed rush, grows in freshwater and salt marshes and near sand dunes. Can be found in clumps or single stems. CA native.

Grows 2'-3' tall. Keep soil moist. Clumping.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone:

### ***Juncus patens* (cn)**

### **California Gray Rush**

Evergreen with blue-grey spines and brown seedy flower. Clumping. Native to U.S. west coast. Clumping.

Tolerates most conditions. Can be submerged to 4". Sun for flowering. Height 18"-30".

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone:

### ***Juncus patens* 'Elk Blue' (cn)**

### **Elk Blue California Gray Rush**

Evergreen with blue-grey spines and brown seedy flower. Clumping. Native to U.S. west coast. Clumping.

Tolerates most conditions. Can be submerged to 4". Sun for flowering. Height 12-18".

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone:

### ***Juncus xiphioides* (cn)**

### **Irisleaf Rush**

Interesting sculptured rush with wide blades and flowers clumps appearing like iris blooms. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows to 2' tall.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone:

### ***Leersia oryzoides* (cn)**

### **Rice Cutgrass**

Cool season grass valuable for habitat and wetland restoration, erosion control in ditches.

Abrasive leaves. Grows from rhizomes.

Grows 3-4' tall.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting:

USDA Zone:

### ***Lemna minor* (cn)**

### **Duckweed**

Floating aquatic plant -one of the smallest of all flowering plants! Forms carpet of green on water surface. Good food source for wildlife. CA native.

Must be in water at all times.

Habit: Floating

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone:

### ***Lilium pardalinum* (cn)**

### **California Leopard Lily**

Flowering bulbous woodland species, growing near streams. Turk's cap red-orange flowers with brown spots.

Prefers filtered sun. Grows to 3' tall. Keep moist. Tolerates seasonal flooding.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color: orange

Lighting: Part-Sun

USDA Zone: 5

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### ***Limonium californica (cn)***

### **Western Marsh Rosemary**

Also called Sea Lavender. Thick woody base, wide leaves, and pale-lavender flowers on vertical stalks. CA native.

Tolerates salt, alkaline, and poor drainage conditions. Keep moist. Grows to 1/2' tall.

Habit: Bog                      Bloom Color:                      Lighting: Full-Sun                      USDA Zone:

### ***Lobelia cardinalis (cn)***

### **Cardinal Lobelia**

Tall purple-red stems and burgandy leaves with bright red flowers at top. CA native.

Can be submerged. Grows to height of 2'-3'. Prefers very moist conditions.

Habit: Marginal                      Bloom Color: red                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone: 3

### ***Lobelia dunnii serratta (cn)***

### **Wild Blue Lobelia 'Serratta'**

Delicate leaves and lavender blue flowers. Attracts pollinators. Groundcover. CA native.

Must be wet at all times. Winter dormant. Grows to 1' tall.

Habit: Marginal                      Bloom Color:                      Lighting: Shade                      USDA Zone:

### ***Lonicera involucrata (cn)***

### **Twinberry Honeysuckle**

Riparian deciduous shrub with beautiful red, purple and yellow flowers followed by black shiny fruit, edible but bitter. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows 6-10' tall. Very shade tolerant.

Habit: Marginal                      Bloom Color: purple, red                      Lighting: Part-Sun                      USDA Zone: 4

### ***Menyanthes trifoliata (cn)***

### **Bog Bean (Buckbean)**

Flowers stalks and leaves rise above water surface. Creeping rhizomes form colonies at pond edge. Star-shaped, hairy 5-petaled white flowers.

Prefers acidic, peaty soil. Grows to 12" tall. Submerge to 3".

Habit: Emerging                      Bloom Color: white                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone: 3

### ***Mimulus aurantiacus (cn)***

### **Sticky Monkey Flower**

Cheerful blossoms of orange tubular flowers. Good nectar plant. Grown as shrub. CA native.

Tolerates drought and wet soils. Grows 2-3' tall. Requires good drainage.

Habit: Landscape                      Bloom Color: orange                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

### ***Mimulus cardinalis (cn)***

### **Cardinal Monkeyflower**

Robust perennial tubular red flowers attract hummingbirds and other pollinators. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows to 2' tall and wide.

Habit: Marginal                      Bloom Color: red                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

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### ***Mimulus guttatus (cn)***

### **Seep Monkey Flower**

Perennial wildflower growing along streams. Long, tubular bright yellow flowers.

Fast growing. Wetland plant.

Habit: Bog                      Bloom Color: yellow                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

### ***Myrica (Morella) californica (cn)***

### **Pacific Wax Myrtle**

Evergreen shrub with smooth gray bark. Dense, shiny dark green foliage. Attracts butterflies. CA native.

Grows 30' tall, 20' wide. Multiple trunks unless pruned. Drought, moisture, salt, deer tolerant.

Habit: Marginal                      Bloom Color: yellow                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone: 7

### ***Nasturtium officinale (cn)***

### **Water Cress**

Fast growing aquatic or semi-aquatic herb. Edible.

Keep moist. Can be partially submerged or used as ground cover.

Habit: Floating                      Bloom Color: white                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone: 3

### ***Nuphar lutea***

### **Yellow Pond Lily**

Large-leaved aquatic perennial with bright yellow blossoms. Seeds were used for flour and popcorn. Give off alcohol instead of CO<sub>2</sub> when absorbing O<sub>2</sub>.

Grows in shallow water to 3' deep. Must be partially submerged.

Habit: Submerged                      Bloom Color: yellow                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

### ***Oenanthe sarmentosa (cn)***

### **Pacific Water Parsley**

Variety of water celery. Clumping groundcover with stalks of small white flowers. CA native.

Keep moist. Groundcover.

Habit: Bog                      Bloom Color: white                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

### ***Oxalis oregana 'White' (cn)***

### **White Redwood Sorrel**

Woodland plant native to west US coastal forests. Attracts butterflies. Flower white with pink veins. CA native.

Moist soil. Ground cover. Prefers shade to part-shade.

Habit: Marginal                      Bloom Color: white                      Lighting: Shade                      USDA Zone: 7

### ***Phyla nodiflora (cn)***

### **Texas Frog Fruit**

Rambling ground cover. Tolerates drought and flooding. Soft green leaves, pinkish flowers.

Attracts butterflies. CA native.

Keep from frost. Usually found in wetlands. Sprawling.

Habit: Marginal                      Bloom Color: pink                      Lighting: Full-Sun                      USDA Zone:

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### ***Physocarpus capitatus (cn)***

### **Western Ninebark**

Deciduous shrub with small clusters of white flowers and red fruits. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows 4-8' tall.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: white      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Populus fremontii (cn)***

### **Fremont Cottonwood**

Deciduous tree native to riparian zones. Good for bird & butterfly gardens. Older trees have whitish cracked bark. Good restoration plant. CA native.

Very fast growing 39-115' tall. Keep from septic systems.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Potentilla anserina (cn)***

### **Silverweed**

Yellow flowers in summer with serrated green foliage. CA native.

Low growing to 6" tall. Prefers boggy conditions.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: yellow      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Potentilla glandulosa (cn)***

### **Sticky Marsh Cinquefoil**

Tall perennial with creamy yellow flowers. Red stems. Flowers last longer in shade. CA native.

Grows 1-2' tall. Grows in shade and sun.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: creamy yellow      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Potentilla gracilis (cn)***

### **Fivefinger Marsh Cinquefoil**

Multi-stemmed with dark gray-green leaves and silvery undersides. Flowers are pale to dark yellow. CA native.

Grows 1-2.5 ft. Intolerant of shade.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: yellow      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Quercus lobata (cn)***

### **Valley Oak**

Fast growing white oak. Deeply lobed leaves, green with slight gray coloring. Can live hundreds of years.

Requires moderate watering but not bog. Grows to 70' tall. Can be planted in lawn when young.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 3

### ***Ranunculus californica (cn)***

### **California Buttercup**

One of the first flowering plants of the year. Yellow flowers. Easy to grow and profuse bloomer. CA native.

Enjoys moist soil but will tolerate drought. Grows 1-2' tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: yellow      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

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### ***Ranunculus flammula (cn)***

### **Creeping Buttercup**

Shallow water plant. Creeping perennial, tiny yellow flowers, delicate foliage. Blooms throughout summer. CA native.

Likes wet boggy soil. Grows to 1' height. Spreads by runners. Tolerates brackish water.

Habit: Bog                      Bloom Color: yellow                      Lighting: Full-Sun                      USDA Zone:

### ***Rosa californica (cn)***

### **California Wild Rose**

Deciduous shrub with single fragrant pink blossoms and red fruits. Good living fence. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows 3-5' tall.

Habit: Marginal                      Bloom Color: pink                      Lighting: Full-Sun                      USDA Zone:

### ***Rubus ursinus (cn)***

### **California Blackberry**

Native wild California blackberry. Evergreen. Excellent habitat plant. CA native.

Grows in patches up to 3' tall and 6' wide. Prefers moist soil but tolerates drought.

Habit: Bog                      Bloom Color:                      Lighting: Part-Sun                      USDA Zone:

### ***Sagittaria cuneata (cn)***

### **Arum Leaf Arrowhead**

Perennial marsh herb. Wide arrow shaped leaves, fleshy tuber like roots. Small white flowers grow on a single spike. CA native.

Grows best in calm, shallow water but can be submerged to 3'. Height 1-2 ft. Dormant in winter.

Habit: Emerging                      Bloom Color: white                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

### ***Sagittaria latifolia (cn)***

### **Broadleaf Arrowhead**

Perennial herb. Very narrow leaves in arrowhead shape. Marsh plant. Small white flowers grow on a single spike. CA native.

Grows best in calm, shallow water but can be submerged to 3'. Height 1-2 ft. Dormant in winter.

Habit: Emerging                      Bloom Color: white                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

### ***Sagittaria montevidensis (cn)***

### **Giant Arrowhead**

Aquatic freshwater herb found in shallow waters. Three white petal flowers with wine-red spots, grow on single stalk. CA native.

Grows best in calm, shallow water. Height 2'-3'. Hardy in mild winters.

Habit: Emerging                      Bloom Color: white                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

### ***Salix exigua (cn)***

### **Sandbar Willow**

Tall shrub with narrow silky-gray leaves and gray bark. Good nectar source. Used for wetland restoration. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows 4-15' tall.

Habit: Bog                      Bloom Color:                      Lighting: Sun or Shade                      USDA Zone:

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### ***Salix gooddingii* (cn)**

### **Goodding's Black Willow**

Warm weather willow common in riparian habitats. Rough dark bark, many lateral branches.

Provides food for insects and wildlife.

Grows 10-100' tall. Requires sun and moisture. Tolerates flooding and short term drought.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone: 8

### ***Salix laevigata* (cn)**

### **Red Willow**

Deciduous shrub or tree with red-brown bark and pale leaves. Good for stream stabilization. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows to 45' tall.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone:

### ***Sambucus mexicana* (cn)**

### **Blue Elderberry**

Deciduous shrub or small tree. Grows along river and streams. Flat clusters of creamy yellow flowers then blue berries. CA native.

Grows 8-25' tall. Keep moist.

Habit: Marginal

Bloom Color: creamy yellow

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone:

### ***Schoenoplectus (Bolboschoenus) maritimus* (cn)**

### **Seaside Bulrush**

Salt tolerant bulrush. Upright green stems. Ecologically important as wind & current buffer, reducing erosion. Provides wildlife habitat. CA native.

Grows to 5' tall. Prefers partial submersion or bog.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone: 5

### ***Schoenoplectus (Scirpus) acutus* (cn)**

### **Giant Bulrush (Tule)**

Thick, erect green stems. Ecologically important as wind & current buffer, reducing erosion.

Provides wildlife habitat. Used for baskets. CA native.

Grows to 3-10' tall. Prefers partial submersion or bog.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone: 3

### ***Schoenoplectus americanus* (cn)**

### **Three-Square Bulrush**

Flowering rush with stiff three-angled stems. Food source for wildlife. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows to 2' tall.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone:

### ***Scirpus cernuus* (cn)**

### **Fiber Optic Grass**

Bright green evergreen foilage with graceful, weeping stems. Good container plant. CA native.

Grows to 10"-14" tall. Prefers moist soil. Can be submerged to 2". Heat tolerant.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Sun or Shade

USDA Zone:

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### ***Scirpus microcarpus* (cn)**

### **Paniced Bulrush**

Triangular stem with flat grass-like leaves sprouting from base and along stem. Can be used in standing water. CA native.

Keep moist. Grows 2-5' tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color:      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Scrophularia californica* (cn)**

### **Beeplant (Figwort)**

Purplish-red new growth that turns green. Many small maroon-red flowers. Attracts pollinators. CA native.

Forms large colonies in open spaces. Grows 2-3.5' tall.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: maroon-red      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Sidalcea calycosa ssp. Rhizomata* (cn)**

### **Point Reyes Checkerbloom**

Rare CA native groundcover for moist spots. Pink 1.5" blooms; round, glossy, scalloped leaves. Vigorous.

May go dormant in drought conditions. Grows 6-12" tall.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: pink      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone: 9

### ***Sisyrinchium bellum* (cn)**

### **Blue Eyed Grass**

Small clumping grass with iris-like leaves. Blue star flowers grow at tip of leaf. Native to California. Evergreen.

Grows to 12" tall. Grows in wetlands and woodlands.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: blue      Lighting: Sun or Shade      USDA Zone:

### ***Sisyrinchium californicum* (cn)**

### **Yellow Eyed Grass**

Small clumping grass with iris-like leaves. Yellow star flowers grow at tip of leaf.

Grows to 8" tall. Prefers moist soil. California native.

Habit: Bog      Bloom Color: yellow      Lighting: Full-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Symphoricarpos albus v. laevigatus* (cn)**

### **Snowberry**

Deciduous shrub with clusters of pinkish flowers then white berries. Understory plant, good bird habitat. CA native.

Grows 4' tall and spreading. Prefers part shade. Tolerates very moist and dry soil.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: pink, white      Lighting: Part-Sun      USDA Zone:

### ***Tellima grandiflora* (cn)**

### **Fringe Cups**

Mounds of soft foliage with many small flowers blooming green and changing to pink. CA native.

Clumping shade plant. Grows 18-24" tall. Tolerates very moist to dry soils.

Habit: Marginal      Bloom Color: green, pink      Lighting: Shade      USDA Zone:

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### ***Typha latifolia* (cn)**

### **Common Cattail Rush (Cumbungi)**

Narrow-leaved tall plant with velvety brown flower head. Classic pond plant. Good bird habitat.

CA native.

Submerge. Dies back in winter. Likes brackish water. Grows 4'-8' tall.

Habit: Emerging

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone: 4

### ***Vitis californica* (cn)**

### **California Wild Grape**

Deciduous vine with clusters of small edible grapes. Grows along streams. CA native.

Prefers moist conditions. Grows laterally if not staked. Grows to 30'.

Habit: Bog

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Full-Sun

USDA Zone:

### ***Woodwardia fimbriata* (cn)**

### **Giant Chain Fern**

Largest American fern. Good in woodlands or wetlands. CA native.

Prefers moist soil, well-drained. Grows 3-5' tall.

Habit: Marginal

Bloom Color:

Lighting: Part-Sun

USDA Zone:

(cn) = California Native

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