



### « Otay Tarweed

*(Hemizonia fasciculata)*

**Annual Herb** - Each flower has a center of six yellowish disc florets with black stamens, surrounded by five yellow ray florets.



### « Sugarbush

*(Rhus ovata)*

**Evergreen Shrub** - Small flowers are white to rose-pink with dark reddish bracts; they bloom at the tips of branches from March to May.



### « Coast Prickly Pear

*(Opuntia littoralis)*

**Succulent** - This cactus is covered in clusters of yellowish spines. Flowers are yellow or red, fruit is purplish-red.



### « Shooting Star

*(Dodecatheon clevelandii)*

**Perennial Herb** - Spikes to 1 foot high; cluster of flowers resemble shooting stars and can be magenta to deep lavender to white.



### « San Diego Sunflower

*(Viguiera laciniata)*

**Perennial Herb** - Multi-branched shrub with light green leaves; resinous. Produces large quantities of bright yellow flowers.



### « Star Lily (also called Fremont Camas)

*(Zigadenus fremontii)*

**Perennial Herb** - Flower spike has showy star-shaped flowers; its spikes are white with green centers.



### « Spanish Dagger

*(Yucca schidigera)*

**Evergreen Tree/Shrub** - Short-stemmed spiny plant that grows to 3-12 feet tall. Purple-tinted white flowers in spring.



### « Toyon

*(Heteromeles arbutifolia)*

**Evergreen Shrub** - Dark green leaves; small white flowers in the summer, red berries in the winter.



### « California Sycamore

*(Platanus racemosa)*

**Deciduous Tree** - Large maple like leaves; round, spiked seed pods.



### « Arroyo Willow

*(Salix lasiolepis)*

**Deciduous Tree/Shrub** - Narrow leaves, flowers early spring; produces white fuzzy seeds called catkins.



### « Snake Cholla

*(Cylindropuntia californica)*

**Succulent** - This sprawling cactus can approach 10 feet; flowers are yellow and sometimes tinged with green or purple.



### « White Sage

*(Salvia apiana)*

**Perennial Shrub** - Grayish green foliage; flowers emerge in the summer and are white with a little lavender.

## Native Plants of Southern California



### On this Panel:

From top to bottom:

#### Wild Hyacinth

*(Dichelostemma capitatum ssp.)*

Perennial Herb

#### Ranchers Fiddleneck

*(Amsinckia menziesii)*

Annual Herb

### On the Cover »

From top to bottom:

#### Rice Canyon Creek

#### Coast Prickly Pear

*(Opuntia littoralis)*

Succulent

#### Chalk Live-Forever

*(Dudleya pulverulenta)*

Succulent

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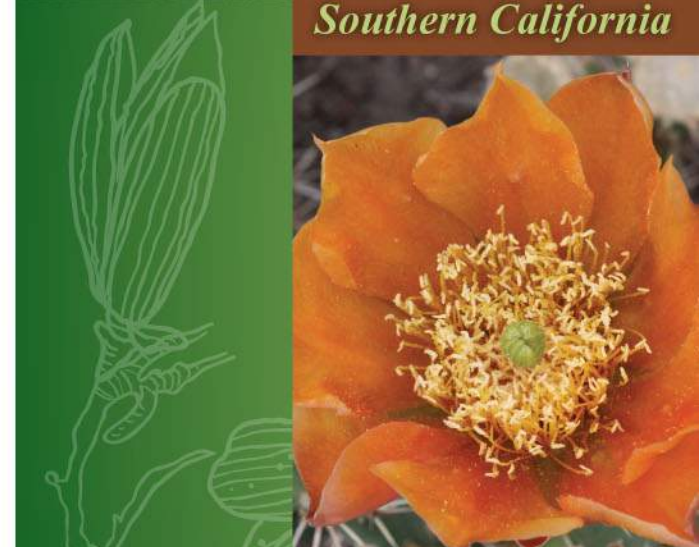
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### « Bladderpod

(*Isomeris arborea*)

**Perennial Shrub** - Yellow flowers; dried fruit resembles a paper lantern that rattles.



### « Southern Cattail

(*Typha domingensis*)

**Perennial Herb** - Grows in boggy pond margins or shallow water.



### « Jojoba

(*Simmondsia chinensis*)

**Perennial Shrub** - Three to six feet in height; leaves are thick, leathery, and bluish-green. Flowers are inconspicuous.



### « Cleveland Sage

(*Salvia clevelandii*)

**Perennial Shrub** - Attractive flowering spikes on branch terminals; purple or lavender trumpet shaped clusters.



### « Bush Monkeyflower

(*Mimulus aurantiacus*)

**Perennial Shrub** - Sticky leaves with a 1-inch flower; it is semi-dormant in the summer.



### « Chapparal Broom

(*Baccharis sarothroides*)

**Deciduous Shrub** - Large bush has broom-like features; blooms in the fall with small white flowers.



### « Lemonadeberry

(*Rhus integrifolia*)

**Evergreen Shrub** - Leathery dark green leaves; white to pinkish flowers in midwinter to spring develop into hairy, sticky red berries.



### « Common Golden Stars

(*Bloomeria crocea*)

**Perennial Herb** - This plant produces six-petaled golden flowers that are clustered in a loose umbel.



### « Blue-Eyed Grass

(*Sisyrinchium bellum*)

**Perennial Herb** - Six-teped blue-violet flowers with a yellow center.



### « Coast Barrel Cactus

(*Ferocactus viridescens*)

**Succulent** - Bright green flesh is arranged into several ribs covered in an array of needles.



### « Cholla Cactus

(*Cylindropuntia prolifera*)

**Succulent** - Tubular stems with spines; red flowers in the summer.



### « California Rose

(*Rosa californica*)

**Deciduous Shrub** - Produces 1-2 inch pink flowers, rose hips are fragrant.



### « Bush Mallow

(*Malacothamnus fasciculatus*)

**Evergreen Shrub** - Thin slender branches produce an abundance of pink flowers; blooms most of the summer.



### « Dove Lupine

(*Lupinus bicolor*)

**Perennial Herb** - Sweet pea-like flowers are borne in dense spikes at ends of tall stems.



### « Cottonwood

(*Populus fremontii*)

**Deciduous Tree** - Native to riparian zones; grows 40-60 feet tall with glossy yellow-green leaves.



### « California Sagebrush

(*Artemisia californica*)

**Perennial Shrub/Herb** - Light green to gray shrub 3-4 feet in height, very aromatic.



### « California Buckwheat

(*Eriogonum fasciculatum*)

**Evergreen Shrub** - Dense clusters of pinkish white fuzzy flowers; long bloom period from March through November.



### « Elderberry

(*Sambucus mexicana*)

**Deciduous Tree/Shrub** - Blooms have creamy white flowers from April to August, then green berry clusters turn blackish-blue.



### « Chalk Live-Forever

(*Dudleya pulverulenta*)

**Succulent** - This plant grows a rosette from which a 1 1/2 foot spike of red flowers emerges.



### « California Sunflower

(*Encelia californica*)

**Perennial Shrub** - Stands 3-4 feet high with 2-inch yellow ray flowers surrounded by a reddish-purple center disk.



### « Black Sage

(*Salvia mellifera*)

**Evergreen Shrub** - A flat fragrant shrub with darker green textured foliage; light blue flowers.



### « Fish-Hook Cactus

(*Mammillaria diocia*)

**Succulent** - Solitary to small family clusters; flowers from February to April. Needles form a hook at the ends.



### « Chocolate Lily

(*Fritillaria biflora*)

**Perennial Herb** - This species grows on open grassy slopes; it has dark brownish, unmottled flowers.



### « Mule-Fat

(*Baccharis salicifolia*)

**Perennial Shrub** - This bush has sticky foliage; bears small, fuzzy, pink or red-tinged white flowers.