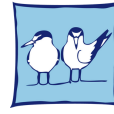


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Keystone Plants*

Plants denoted with an asterisk* are natives that are essential to our ecosystems because they support 90% of the caterpillar species that enable our terrestrial birds to reproduce, as well as all of our specialist native bee species.

Trees and Large Shrubs

Trees and large shrubs offer dense cover for nesting and foraging, as well as berries and seeds for wildlife. Some are hosts for moths, butterflies, and more.

- Coast Live Oak*



- Blue/Mexican Elderberry



- Laurel Sumac
- Western Sycamore
- Hollyleaf Cherry*
- Sugar Bush

- Catalina Cherry*



- Lemonade Berry



- Toyon



- Fremont Cottonwood*



- White Alder*



- Arroyo/ Narrow-leaf Willow*



Cactus and Succulents

Cactus and succulent gardens have become popular in recent years. Try planting natives to attract pollinators and beneficial insects.

- Prickly Pear Cactus
- Cholla
- Beavertail
- Chalk Dudleya
- Giant Chalk Dudleya
- Yucca

Sages

Sages are important pollinator plants and provide nectar for a variety of species. They are iconic in a garden, drought-tolerant, and smell lovely. Sages can be found throughout much of the park.

- Hummingbird
- Cleveland Sage
- Bee's Bliss
- White



- Black



- Purple



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Other Common Shrubs

While walking along most pathways in the park you will come across these species.

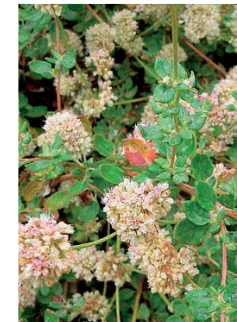
- Coyote Brush
- California Buckwheat
- California Wild Rose



- California Sagebrush
- California Sunflower Bush
- Mulefat



- San Diego Poverty Weed
- Coast Goldenbush*
- Seacliff Buckwheat



Wildflowers

- Elegant Clarkia
- California Poppies
- Tidy Tips
- Baby Blue Eyes
- Tricolor Gilia



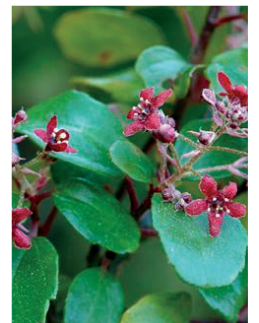
Flowering Perennials

These small-medium plants spice up the garden with blooms of all colors! They are found in low quantities, so look for them mixed into various gardens, often with a little plant tag listing their name.

- Apache Plume
- Indian Mallow
- Red Fairyduster
- Desert Marigold
- Sticky Gumplant*
- Coral Bells
- California Fuchsia
- Red Columbine
- Goldenrod*
- Arroyo Lupine
- Snapdragons
- Santa Susana Tarweed
- Lilac Verbena
- California Aster
- Ceanothus*
- Bush Monkeyflower
- Matilija Poppy
- Evening Primrose
- Ashyleaf Buckwheat
- Firecracker Penstemon
- Margarita BOP Penstemon
- Chamise



- Catalina Currant



- Seaside Daisy*

