

## Garden 1: Plant List

### Native Plants

Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Howard McMinn', Manzanita, 3 plants  
Aristolochia californica, California dutchman's pipe (vine)  
Baccharis pilularis 'Twin Peaks', Dwarf coyote brush, 18 plants  
Ceanothus gloriosus 'Anchor Bay', Wild lilac, 40 plants  
Cercis occidentalis, Western redbud  
Iris douglasiana 'Canyon Snow', 7 plants  
Ribes sanguineum var. glutinosum cv. (white), Flowering currant  
Vaccinium ovatum, Huckleberry  
Vitis californica 'Roger's Red', Wild grape  
Zauschneria californica 'Solidarity Pink', California fuchsia, 8 plants

### Nonnative Plants

Abelia grandiflora 'Sherwoodii', Glossy abelia  
Abutilon hybridum (white), Vine maple  
Agapanthus orientalis 'Albus', Lily of the Nile, 5 plants  
Citrus 'Dwarf Improved Meyer Lemon'  
Correa pulchella 'Ivory Bells', Australian fuchsia  
Grewia occidentalis (espalier), Lavender starflower  
Fuchsia (mite-resistant), 6 plants  
Hibiscus rosa-sinensis 'President', Chinese hibiscus  
Lantana montevidensis 'White Lightning', Trailing lantana, 9 plants  
Lavandula angustifolia 'Munstead', Dwarf English lavender, 3 plants  
Miscanthus sinensis 'Cabaret', Eulalia grass  
Penstemon gloxinioides 'Holly White', Beardtongue, 9 plants  
Rosmarinus officinalis 'Tuscan Blue', Rosemary  
Sollya heterophylla, Australian bluebell creeper, 11 plants  
Syringa vulgaris 'Blue Skies', Common lilac

## Garden Story

I love feeding wild birds and wanted a garden that would attract them to the yard. We had some trees but little else. I wanted to add some color in the yard, and my husband did not want to contend with a lawn. When Fran of Harris Landscaping suggested native plants, I thought, what would attract the birds better than a native environment. After one season, the new garden has attracted several new species of birds to the yard. Last spring, we had three different birds raise their fledglings in the yard, including a hummingbird just in view of the window. I am glad I went with the native garden.

## Garden 2: Plant List

Abies lasiocarpa cv., Dwarf fir globe  
Acer circinatum, Vine maple  
Achlys triphylla, Vanilla leaf  
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi 'Pt. Reyes', manzanita  
Asarum caudatum, wild ginger  
Calocedrus decurrens, Incense cedar  
Calystegia purpurata, California morning glory  
Carpenteria californica, Bush anemone  
Ceanothus 'Anchor Bay'  
Ceanothus maritimus, California lilac  
Chamaecyparis lawsoniana cvs., Dwarf Lawson cypresses  
Cornus 'Eddie's White Wonder', Dogwood  
Erigeron glauca, Seaside daisy  
Heteromeles arbutifolia 'Davis Gold'  
Mimulus aurantiacus, Sticky monkeyflower  
Myrica californica, Pacific wax myrtle  
Oxalis oregana, redwood sorrel  
Pinus contorta cv., Dwarf short pine  
Polystichum munitum, Sword fern

*Pseudotsuga menziesii* cvs., Dwarf douglas firs  
*Rhamnus californica* 'Mound San Bruno', Coffeeberry  
*Rhamnus californica* 'Seaview', Coffeeberry  
*Rhododendron macrophyllum*, Rosebay rhododendron  
*Rhododendron occidentale*, Western azalea  
*Ribes viburnifolium*, Evergreen currant  
*Salvia clevelandii*, Cleveland sage  
*Sequoia sempervirens* cvs., Dwarf coast redwoods  
*Thuja plicata* cv., Dwarf western red cedar  
*Vaccinium ovatum*, California huckleberry  
*Vancouveria hexandra*, Inside-out flower

### Garden 3: Plant List

*Abutilon palmeri*  
*Acer macrophyllum*  
*Achillea millefolium*  
*Aesculus californica*  
*Amelanchier* sp.  
*Aquilegia* sp.  
*Arabis* sp.  
*Arbutus menziesii*  
*Arctostaphylos densiflora*  
*Arctostaphylos glauca*  
*Arctostaphylos hookeri*  
*Arctostaphylos* 'Lester Rowntree'  
*Arctostaphylos manzanita* 'Dr. Hurd'  
*Arctostaphylos obispoensis*  
*Arctostaphylos* 'Pacific Mist'  
*Arctostaphylos pallida*  
*Arctostaphylos pajaroensis* 'Myrtle Wolf'  
*Arctostaphylos pajaroensis* 'Paradise'  
*Arctostaphylos* 'Sunset'  
*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* 'Woods Compact'  
*Artemisia californica*  
*Berberis nevinii*  
*Carpenteria californica*  
*Ceanothus* 'Blue Jeans'  
*Ceanothus* 'Concha'  
*Ceanothus* 'Gentian Plume'  
*Ceanothus gloriosus* 'Anchor Bay'  
*Ceanothus griseus horizontalis* 'Yankee Point'  
*Ceanothus* 'Joyce Coulter'  
*Ceanothus papillosus*  
*Ceanothus* 'Ray Hartman'  
*Cercis occidentalis*  
*Cercocarpus betuloides*  
*Chlorogalum pomeridianum*  
*Comarostaphylis diversifolia*  
*Cornus sericea* 'Flaviramea'? (yellow twigs)  
*Corylus cornuta californica*  
*Dendromecon rigidum*  
*Dicentra formosa*  
*Dirca occidentalis*  
*Encelia farinosa*  
*Eriogonum arborescens*  
*Eriogonum crocatum*  
*Eriogonum grande rubescens*  
*Eriogonum latifolium*  
*Eriogonum umbellatum*  
*Eriogonum wrightii*

Eriophyllum lanatum, Oregon sunshine  
Erysimum concinna  
Festuca californica  
Fremontodendron 'El Dorado Gold'  
Galvezia speciosa  
Garrya elliptica 'James Roof'  
Garrya pallida  
Heteromeles arbutifolia  
Heterotheca sessiliflora  
Heuchera 'Cheeky'  
Heuchera 'Lillian'  
Heuchera 'Wendy'  
Hyptis emoryi  
Iris douglasiana  
Iris douglasiana 'Canyon Snow'  
Iris fernaldi  
Iris macrosiphon  
Keckiella sp.  
Leptodactylon sp.  
Lessingia sp.  
Malacothamnus fascicularis  
Monardella villosa  
Muhlenbergia rigens  
Myrica californica  
Nassella lepida  
Oemleria cerasiformus  
Oenothera sp.  
Penstemon heterophyllus 'Margarita BOP'  
Philadelphus sp.  
Physocarpus capitatus  
Prunus ilicifolia  
Quercus chrysolepis  
Quercus douglasii  
Rhamnus crocea  
Rhamnus californica  
Rhus integrifolia  
Ribes aureum  
Ribes malvaceum 'Montara Rose'  
Ribes sanguineum 'Claremont'  
Ribes sanguineum 'Mesa Red'  
Ribes speciosa  
Salvia apiana  
Salvia 'Bee's Bliss'  
Salvia brandegei  
Salvia clevelandii 'Winifred Gilman'  
Salvia 'Dara's Choice'  
Salvia leucophylla  
Salvia sonomensis  
Salvia spathacea  
Salvia 'Vicki Romo'  
Shepherdia argentea, Buffalo berry  
Sidalcea malvaeflora  
Sporobolus airoides  
Styrax officinalis  
Symphoricarpos sp.  
Trichostema lanatum  
Verbena lilacina  
Woodwardia fimbriata  
Zauschneria sp.

## Garden 5: Plant List

Latin name, Common Name, Location, Year planted

*Achillea millefolium*, Yarrow, Ecology lawn, 89  
*Aesculus californica*, California Buckeye, Under valley oak, vol  
*Amelanchier alnifolia*, Saskatoon Service Berry, Back S corner, 02  
*Aquilegia chrysantha*, Golden Columbine [native to AZ, NM, Mexico], Nr plum, 99  
*Aquilegia* x, Columbine hybrids, Near fig tree/drive, 95,04  
*Arctostaphylos densiflora* 'Howard McMinn', Manzanita, Mariposa St., 65  
*Asclepias fascicularis*, Narrow-leaf Milkweed, Front N, 98  
*Asclepias speciosa*, Showy Milkweed, Front N, 98  
*Asclepias cordifolia*, Purple Milkweed, Front N, 98  
*Brodiaea laxa* (see *Triteleia laxa*)  
*Ceanothus griseus* 'Santa Ana', Wild lilac, under valley oak, 91  
*Ceanothus gloriosus* 'Anchor Bay', back fence, 00  
*Ceanothus gloriosus* 'Wheeler Canyon', Alta Mesa St., 91  
*Ceanothus* 'Ray Hartman', corner mound, 65  
*Chlorogalum pomeridianum*, Soap Plant, Lockhart mound 85  
*Clarkia* sp., Farewell to Spring, Front N, vol  
*Eschscholzia californica*, California Poppy, Everywhere, vol  
*Eriogonum crocatum*, Saffron Buckwheat, center mound, 02  
*Eriogonum fasciculatum polifolium*, Arizona Buckwheat, side/center mound, 85/02  
*Eriogonum grande rubescens*, Red Buckwheat, center mound, 02  
*Eriogonum latifolium*, Coast Buckwheat, S backyard, 84  
*Eriogonum parvifolium*, Seacliff Buckwheat, center mound, 91  
*Eriogonum umbellatum*, Sulphur Buckwheat, drive/center mound, 91/03  
*Eriogonum wrightii*, Wright's Buckwheat, drive, 03  
*Galvezia speciosa*, Island Snapdragon, center mound, 91  
*Garrya elliptica*, Coast Silktassel, N wall, 00  
*Heuchera* sp., Coral Bells, center mound/drive, 91  
*Heteromeles arbutifolia*, Toyon, several areas, volunteer  
*Iris douglasiana*, hybrids, several areas, 95-00  
*Keckiella cordifolia* = *Penstemon cordifolia*, S backyard, 76  
*Mahonia aquifolium* = *Berberis aquifolium*, Oregon Grape, S fence near gate, 70  
*Mahonia repens* = *Berberis aquifolium repens*, Creeping Mahonia, under fig, 89  
*Mimulus cardinalis*, Scarlet Monkeyflower, Drive (likes water), 99  
*Monardella villosa*, Coyote Mint, center mound, 89  
*Pinus radiata*, Monterey pine, Mariposa St., ~65  
*Prunus ilicifolia*, Holly-leaf Cherry, under valley oak, 65  
*Quercus agrifolia*, Coast Live Oak, Norht back fence, >62  
*Quercus douglasii*, Blue Oak, front corner, <75  
*Quercus dumosa*, Coast Scrub Oak, behind back fence, 91  
*Quercus lobata*, Valley Oak, back yard  
*Rhamnus californica* 'Eve Case', Coffeeberry, N wall/near valley oak, 90/94  
*Rhamnus crocea ilicifolia*, Holly-leaf Redberry, Under pines, 89  
*Rhus integrifolia*, Lemonade Berry, Alta Mesa St., 76  
*Ribes aureum*, Golden Currant, near Apricot, 94  
*Ribes sanguineum*, Spring or Pink Winter Currant, N wall, 94  
*Ribes sanguineum glutinosum*, under blue oak 94  
*Ribes viburnifolium*, Evergreen Currant, S corner, 03  
*Salvia chamaedryoides*, Germander Sage [native to Mexico], front of house, 99  
*Salvia x jamensis* 'Wild Thing', Jame Sage [native to TX, Mexico], S front border 03  
*Salvia x jamensis* 'Cerise Red', Jame Sage [native to TX, Mexico], N front, 00  
*Salvia mellifera* 'Terra Seca', Honey sage, center mound, 89  
*Salvia muelleri*, Royal Purple Sage [native to Mexico], center mound  
*Sambucus mexicana*, Blue Elderberry, N wall, 03  
*Sisyrinchium bellum*, Blue-eyed Grass, center mound, 89  
*Stipa pulchra* = *Nassella pulchra*, Purple Needlegrass, Native garden, 80  
*Triteleia laxa* = *Brodiaea laxa*, Ithuriel's Spear, Native garden, 89  
*Zauschneria californica* = *Epilobium canum*, California Fuchsia, edge natural lawn, 85

## Garden 6: Plant List

Botanical name, Common Name, Garden performance

### Annuals

Clarkia amoena, Farewell-to-Spring, good  
Gilia tricolor, Bird's Eye Gilia, good

### Bulbs

Lilium pardalinum, Leopard Lily, poor

### Ferns

Polystichum munitum, Western Sword Fern, good

### Grasses, Sedges, Rushes

Carex tumulicola, Berkeley Sedge, good  
Chondropetalum tectorum - nonnative, Thatching Reed, good  
Deschampsia caespitosa, Tufted Hair Grass, good for a while  
Festuca californica, California Fescue, fair  
Festuca cinerea - nonnative, Blue Fescue, good  
Festuca glauca - nonnative, Blue Fescue, good  
Festuca idahoensis 'Moody Blue', Idaho Fescue, good  
Juncus patens 'Carmen Gray', Common Rush, good  
Muhlenbergia rigens, Deer Grass, good  
Typha angustifolia, Narrow-leaved Cattail, good

### Perennials

Achillea millefolium, White Yarrow, good  
Aquilegia eximia, Summer Columbine, good  
Aquilegia formosa, Western Columbine, good  
Anemopsis californica, Yerba Mansa, good  
Arabis blepharophylla, Coast Rock Cress, failed  
Artemisia douglasiana, Mugwort, Invasive/removed  
Cynoglossum grande, Hound's Tongue, good  
Epilobium canum 'Hurricane Point', California Fuchsia, good  
Epilobium canum 'Uvas Canyon', California Fuchsia, good  
Erigeron 'Wayne Roderick', Seaside Daisy, good for a while  
Eriogonum grande rubescens, Rosy Buckwheat, good  
Eriogonum umbellatum polyanthum, Sulfur Buckwheat, good for a while  
Eriophyllum confertiflorum, Yellow Yarrow, good  
Eriophyllum lanatum, Dwarf Woolly Sunflower, good for a while  
Eschscholzia californica, California Poppy, good  
Helianthemum scoparium, Rush-Rose, failed  
Helianthemum spp. - var. colors - nonnative, Sun Rose, fair  
Heterotheca sessiliflora bolanderi 'San Bruno Mtn.', Golden Aster, good  
Heuchera spp., Alum Root, good  
Hydrocotyle spp. - nonnative?, Water Pennywort, good  
Iris douglasiana, Douglas Iris, fair  
Iris douglasiana 'Canyon Snow', Douglas Iris, good?  
Iris Pacific Coast Hybrid 'Cornflower Yellow', PCH-Iris Cornflower Yellow, good  
Iris macrosiphon 'Mt. Madonna', Long-tubed Iris, fair  
Lobelia cardinalis -- nonnative form, Cardinal Flower, good for a while  
Linum lewisii, Western Blue Flax, good  
Ludwigia natans, Water primrose, good  
Mimulus aurantiacus, Sticky Monkeyflower, failed  
Mimulus 'Eleanor', Monkeyflower, failed  
Mimulus guttatus, Seep Monkeyflower, failed?  
Monardella villosa, Common Coyote Mint, good  
Penstemon centranthifolius, Scarlet Bugler, failed  
Penstemon heterophyllus, Blue Bedder Penstemon, fair  
Romneya coulteri, Matilija Poppy, Invasive/ removed  
Salvia spathacea, Hummingbird Sage, good  
Sisyrinchium bellum, Blue-eyed Grass, good  
Sisyrinchium californicum, Yellow-eyed Grass, fair

Tellima grandiflora, Fringe Cups, good

### Shrubs

Arctostaphylos 'Carmel Sur', Carmel Sur Manzanita, good  
Arctostaphylos 'Emerald Carpet', Emerald Carpet Manzanita, fair  
Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Sentinel', Vine Hill Manzanita, good  
Artemisia pycnocephala 'David's Choice', Sand Hill Sage, good  
Baccharis pilularis consanguinea, Coyote Bush, good  
Berberis aquifolium compacta, Oregon Grape, good  
Carpenteria californica, Bush Anemone, good  
Ceanothus cuneatus, Buckbrush, Poor  
Ceanothus foliosus, Wild Lilac, failed  
Ceanothus griseus arboreus 'Ray Hartman', Wild Lilac, good  
Ceanothus maritimus 'Point Sierra', Maritime Ceanothus, good  
Ceanothus rigidus 'Snowball', Wild Lilac, fair  
Cercis occidentalis, Western redbud, good  
Cistus ladanifer - nonnative, Rockrose, good for a while  
Cornus sericea, Red Twig Dogwood, good  
Ericameria ericoides, Golden Heather, good  
Eriogonum fasciculatum fasciculatum, California Buckwheat, good  
Dendromecon harfordii, Island Bush Poppy, good for a while  
Fremontodendron californicum, Flannelbush, good  
Galvezia speciosa, Island Bush Snapdragon, good - removed  
Garrya elliptica 'James Roof', Coast Silktassel, good  
Gaultheria shallon, Salal, Poor  
Heteromeles arbutifolia, Toyon, good  
Lavatera assurgentiflora, Mission Mallow, good  
Lonicera involucrata Twinberry, good  
Lupinus albifrons, Silver Bush Lupine, good for a while  
Malacothamnus clementinus, San Clemente Island Mallow, good for a while  
Prunus ilicifolia, Holly-Leaf Cherry, good  
Rhododendron occidentale, Western Azalea, good  
Ribes aureum gracillimum, Golden Currant, good  
Ribes sanguineum glutinosum, Pink Flowering Currant, fair  
Ribes sanguineum glutinosum 'Claremont', Pink Flowering Currant, good  
Ribes sanguineum glutinosum 'Barry Coate', Pink Flowering Currant, good for a while  
Ribes speciosum, Fuchsia-Flowered Gooseberry, good  
Ribes viburnifolium, Catalina Currant, good  
Rubus ursinus, California Blackberry, failed  
Salvia apiana, White Sage, good  
Salvia clevelandii 'Allen Chickering', Cleveland Sage Hybrid, good  
Salvia greggii - various colors - nonnative, Autumn Sage, good  
Salvia 'Mrs. Beard', Black Sage x Sonoma Sage Hybrid, good  
Salvia sonomensis, Creeping Sage, failed  
Spiraea douglasii, Steeple Bush, good  
Styrax officinalis, Snowdrop Bush, good  
Symphoricarpos albus, Snowberry, good  
Toxicodendron diversilobum, Poison Oak, good  
Trichostema lanatum, Woolly Blue Curls, good  
Vaccinium ovatum, Huckleberry, good

### Trees

Acer palmatum - nonnative, Japanese Maple, good  
Aesculus californica, California Buckeye, fair  
Myrica californica, Pacific Wax Myrtle, failed  
Nicotiana glauca - nonnative, Tree Tobacco, good  
Quercus agrifolia, Coast Live Oak, good  
Quercus lobata, Valley Oak, good  
Salix delnortensis, Del Norte Willow, good  
Sambucus mexicana, Blue Elderberry, fair  
Sequoia sempervirens 'Soquel', Coast Redwood, good  
Umbellularia californica, California Bay, good

## Garden 8: Plant List

Achillea millefolium, yarrow  
Arctostaphylos sp., manzanita  
Aster chilensis, beach aster  
Ceanothus sp.  
Erigeron glaucus, seaside daisy  
Eriogonum sp., native buckwheats  
Eriogonum umbellatum, sulfur buckwheat  
Eschscholzia californica, California poppy  
Heteromeles arbutifolia, toyon  
Iris douglasiana, native iris  
Lavatera assurgentiflora  
Lupinus sp.  
Mimulus sp., monkeyflower  
Muhlenbergia rigens, deer grass  
Penstemon sp.  
Phacelia sp., caterpillar flower  
Romneya coulteri, matilija poppy  
Salvia sp.  
Zauschneria californica, California fuchsia

## Garden 9: Plant List and Garden Story

Challenges: Heavy clay soil with poor drainage, hardpan in places; an abundance of weeds and nonnatives filled the garden in 2001.

Strategy: We divided the garden into zones based on sunlight and water needs. For each zone, we chose a major plant community and installed plants appropriate to those communities (for example, under mature native trees a native understory replaced exotics). We installed an irrigation system with sprinklers for the back lawn, misters for the redwoods and ferns, and sprinklers, hand watering, or soaker hoses to establish other regions.

### The Redwood Zone (front yard, northeast)

English ivy covered the ground, grew up the trunk of a mature redwood tree, and threatened the tree. We removed all ivy, hand-weeded, and added plants. In summer and fall, misters run twice daily; no water for remainder of year. Most plants are in part or deep shade. This yard is self-mulching with redwood drop.

#### Ferns

Western Sword Fern, *Polystichum munitum*  
Goldback Fern, *Pentagramma triangularis*  
Coastal Wood Fern, *Dryopteris arguta*  
Giant Western Chain Fern, *Woodwardia fimbriata*  
Deer Fern, *Blechnum spicant*  
Venus-Hair Fern, *Adiantum capillus veneris*

#### Smaller Plants

Redwood Sorrel, *Oxalis oregana*  
Meadow Rue, *Thalictrum fendleri polycarpum*  
Carex Grass, *Carex subbracteata*  
Western Dog Violet, *Viola adunca*  
Redwood Violet, *Viola sempervirens*  
Wild Ginger, *Asarum caudatum*  
Meadow Onion, *Allium unifolium*  
Modesty, *Whipplea modesta*  
Checkerbloom, *Sidalcea malvaeflora*  
Western Columbine, *Aquilegia formosa*  
Hummingbird Sage, *Salvia spathacea*  
Piggyback Plant, *Tolmeia menziesii*  
Sugar Scoops, *Tiarella unifoliata*

Douglas Iris, *Iris douglasiana*  
PCH Iris, *Iris Pacific Coast Hybrids*  
Beach Strawberry, *Fragaria chiloensis*  
Gumweed, *Grindelia stricta*  
Star Jasmine (exotic), *Trachelospermum jasminoides*

#### **Medium Plants**

Salal, *Gaultheria shallon*  
Oregon Grape, *Berberis nervosa*  
Elk Clover (winter dormant), *Aralia californica*  
Seep Monkeyflower, *Mimulus guttatus*  
Lobelia, *Lobelia cardinalis*  
Wood Rose, *Rosa gymnocarpa*  
Rush, *Juncus patens*  
Huckleberry, *Vaccinium ovatum*  
Thimbleberry, *Rubus parviflorus*  
Fortnight Lily (exotic), *Dietes grandiflora*  
Daylily (exotic), *Hemerocallis fulva*

#### **Taller Plants**

Coast Redwood, *Sequoia sempervirens*  
Redtwig Dogwood, *Cornus sericea*  
Spicebush, *Calycanthus occidentalis*  
Manzanita, *Arctostaphylos densiflora* 'Howard McMinn'  
Oregon Grape, *Berberis nevinii*  
Pacific Wax Myrtle, *Myrica californica*  
Plum (exotic), *Prunus sp.*

### **The Mixed Evergreen Forest Zone (side yard, north)**

This yard was covered with gravel and a stack of firewood. We removed some of the gravel and mixed part of it into the soil, along with redwood soil amendment. We used shredded redwood mulch to reduce weeds and improve soil texture. This yard is in part to deep shade. In summer, low-volume sprinklers run briefly to establish plants; no water for remainder of year.

#### **Smaller Plants**

Yerba Buena Mint, *Satureja douglasii*

#### **Medium Plants**

PCH Iris, *Iris Pacific Coast Hybrids*  
Catalina Currant, *Ribes viburnifolium*  
Rush, *Juncus patens*  
Camas, *Camassia quamash*

#### **Taller Plants**

California Bay Laurel, *Umbellularia californica*  
Creambush, *Holodiscus discolor*  
Ninebark, *Physocarpus capitatus*  
Western Redbud, *Cercis occidentalis*

### **The Central Oak Woodland Zone (front yard, northwest)**

This yard had several Monterey pine stumps, a pepper tree, an enormous agave, and a few roses in a weedy lawn, surrounded by an ivy-covered chain-link fence. The main asset was a young oak tree. First, we used soil solarization to kill the grass and weeds. Then we had the agave removed and stumps ground, and we spread the mulch around the garden. The pepper tree mulches part of the garden. We relocated rocks from elsewhere in the garden to create borders with niches for small plants. Finally, we added the walkway to the front door and removed the chain-link fence and ivy. This garden gets full sun and no water except to establish plants.

#### **Smaller Plants**

California Fescue, *Festuca californica*  
Bush Monkeyflower, *Mimulus aurantiacus*



Coyote mint, *Monardella villosa*  
Coyote Brush, *Baccharis pilularis* 'Pigeon Point'  
Eriophyllum herfordii, Golden Yarrow  
*Achillea millefolium* pink, Yarrow  
Lavender (exotic), *Lavandula angustifolia*  
Hummingbird Sage, *Salvia spathacea*  
Seaside Daisy, *Erigeron glaucus* 'Wayne Roderick'  
California Poppy (annual), *Eschscholzia californica*

### **Bulbs**

Common Brodiaea, *Brodiaea elegans*  
Soap Plant, *Chlorogalum pomeridianum*  
Clay Mariposa Lily, *Calochortus argillosus*  
Goddess Mariposa Lily, *Calochortus vestae*  
Blue Dicks, *Dichelostemma capitatum*  
Dwarf Brodiaea, *Brodiaea minor*  
White Hyacinth, *Triteleia hyacinthina*  
Ithuriel's Spear, *Triteleia laxa*

### **Medium Plants**

Island Bush Snapdragon, *Galvezia speciosa*  
Woolly blue curls, *Trichostema lanatum*  
Sagebrush, *Artemisia californica*  
Silver Bush lupine, *Lupinus albifrons*  
Buckwheat, *Erigonum grande rubescens*  
Coyote Mint, *Monardella hypoleuca*  
Coffeeferry, *Rhamnus californica* 'Eve Case'  
Rose (exotic), *Rosa* sp.

### **Tall Plants**

Coast Live Oak, *Quercus agrifolia*  
Toyon, *Heteromeles arbutifolia*  
Blueblossom, *Ceanothus thyrsiflorus*  
Blueblossom, *Ceanothus* 'Dark Star'  
Manzanita, *Arctostaphylos* 'Austin Griffiths'  
Snowdrop Bush, *Styrax officialis*  
Fremontia, *Fremontodendron* 'Pacific Sunset'  
Bush Anemone, *Carpenteria californica*  
Plum (exotic), *Prunus* sp.  
Pepper Tree (exotic), *Schinus mollis*

## **The Coastal Sage Scrub Zone (side yard, south, and front yard, west)**

Three mature Monterey pines are as much a hazard as an asset, with shallow roots and poor adaptation to the noncoastal climate. The driveway under them had only weeds, extending all the way to an Italian cypress at the mailbox, and a drainage problem. The pepper tree marked the other side of the driveway. We removed the driveway, installed a French drain around the front and south sides of the house, and regraded the soil to drain into surface drains. We removed the cypress to extend the drainage system to the street, then installed pavers for the driveway to optimize drainage and allow flexibility near plant roots. This garden gets full to part sun, and no water year-round except as needed in the first few years to establish plants. The garden is left mostly unmulched to allow sowing annuals. This garden will finish development after construction in the area is completed.

### **Smaller Plants**

Hummingbird Sage, *Salvia spathacea*  
Apricot Monkeyflower, *Mimulus bifidus*  
Bush Monkeyflower, *Mimulus aurantiacus*  
Coyote Mint, *Monardella villosa*  
Blue Flax, *Linum lewisii*  
California Poppy (annual), *Eschscholzia californica*  
Lupines (annual), *Lupinus* spp.  
Wildflowers (various)

### **Medium plants**

Woolly Blue Curls, *Trichostema lanatum*  
Bush Island Snapdragon, *Galvezia speciosa*  
Poza Blue Sage, *Salvia 'Poza Blue'*  
Cleveland Sage, *Salvia clevelandii 'Winifred Gilman'*  
White Evening Primrose, *Oenothera caespitosa*  
Evening Primrose, *Oenothera hookeri*  
Honeysuckle, *Lonicera hispidula*  
Silver Bush Lupine, *Lupinus albifrons*  
Wild lilac, *Ceanothus 'Joyce Coulter'*  
Carmel Ceanothus, *Ceanothus griseus 'Kurt Zadnik'*  
Purple Needlegrass, *Nassella pulchra*  
Rosemary (exotic), *Rosmarinus officinalis*  
Lily of the Nile (exotic), *Agapanthus sp.*

### Tall plants

Monterey pine, *Pinus radiata*  
Morning Glory, *Calystegia macrostegia 'Candy Cane'*  
Meyer Lemon (exotic), *Citrus 'Improved Meyer'*

## Garden 10: Plant List

Botanical Name, Common Name

*Achillea millefolium*, Common Yarrow  
*Allium unifolium*, Meadow Onion  
*Angelica tomentosa*, California Angelica  
*Aquilegia formosa*, Western Columbine  
*Arctostaphylos hookeri 'Ken Taylor'*, Hooker's Manzanita  
*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi 'Point Reyes'*, Point Reyes Manzanita  
*Aristolochia californica*, Dutchman's Pipe  
*Asarum caudatum*, Wild Ginger  
*Asclepias fascicularis*, Narrow-leaf Milkweed  
*Blechnum spicant*, Deer Fern  
*Bromus carinatus*, California Brome  
*Calamagrostis foliosa*, Leafy Reed Grass  
*Calystegia purpurata*, California Morning Glory  
*Ceanothus cuneatus (prostratus?)*, Buckbrush (flat form)  
*Ceanothus impressus*, Impressed Ceanothus  
*Ceanothus spinosus*, Green Bark Ceanothus  
*Cercis occidentalis*, Western Redbud  
*Clarkia davyi*, Davy's Fairy Fan  
*Claytonia gypsophiloides*, Gypsum Spring Beauty  
*Clematis ligusticifolia*, Western Virgin's Bower  
*Delphinium cardinale*, Scarlet Larkspur  
*Dendromecon harfordii*, Channel Island Tree Poppy  
*Dichondra donneliana*, Dichondra Donneliana  
*Dudleya abramsii*, Live Forever  
*Dudleya caespitosa*, Sea Lettuce  
*Epilobium canum*, California Fuchsia  
*Epilobium septentrionale 'Select Mattole'*, California Fuchsia Select Mattole  
*Eriogonum elongatum*, Buckwheat 'elongatum'  
*Eschscholzia californica*  
*Festuca idahoensis 'Siskiyou Blue'*, Siskiyou Blue Idaho Fescue  
*Fragaria californica*, California Wild Strawberry  
*Fragaria platypetala*, *F. virginiana var. illinoensis*  
*Galvezia speciosa 'Boca Rosa'*, Island Bush Snapdragon  
*Gilia capitata*, Blue Field Gilia  
*Heuchera micrantha*, Alum Root  
*Heuchera sp.* UCB groundcover, Alum Root UCB  
*Hierochloa occidentale*, Vanilla Grass  
*Hoita (Psoralea) macrostachya*, Hoita (*Psoralea*)

*Holodiscus discolor*, Creambush/Ocean Spray  
*Hyptis emoryi*, Desert Lavender  
*Iris douglasiana*, Douglas Iris  
*Iris 'Pajaro Dunes'*, PCH Iris  
*Juncus effusus brunneus*, Common Rush  
*Lathyrus vestitus* var. *alefeldii*, Wild Pea (delicate vinelike)  
*Lepechinia fragrans*, Fragrant Sage  
*Limnanthes douglasii sulfurea*, Point Reyes Meadow Foam  
*Lonicera hispidula*, Wild Honeysuckle  
*Mimulus aurantiacus*, Sticky Monkeyflower  
*Mimulus 'Trish'*, Persoff's Hybrid Monkeyflower  
*Monardella villosa* var. *franciscana*, Coyote Mint  
*Muhlenbergia rigens*, Deer Grass  
*Nassella (Stipa) pulchra*, Purple Needlegrass  
*Oxalis oregana*, Redwood Sorrel  
*Pellaea andromedifolia*, Coffee Fern  
*Penstemon heterophyllus*, Foothill Penstemon  
*Penstemon centranthifolius*, Scarlet Bugler  
*Rhamnus californica 'Eve Case'*, Eve Case Coffeeberry  
*Ribes indecorum*, White-flowering Current  
*Ribes sanguineum* var. *sanguineum*, Pink Flowering Current  
*Ribes speciosum*, Fuchsia-flowering Gooseberry  
*Romneya coulteri*, Matilija Poppy  
*Rosa californica*, California Wild Rose  
*Rubus ursinus*, California Blackberry  
*Salvia clevelandii*, Cleveland Sage  
*Salvia mellifera* x *leucophylla*, California Black Sage hybrid  
*Sambucus mexicana*, Blue Elderberry  
*Satureja douglasii*, Yerba Buena  
*Scirpus cernuus*, Fiber Optics Plant  
*Sedum spathulifolium 'Blood Red'*, Stone Crop Blood Red  
*Sedum spathulifolium 'Cape Blanco'*, Stone Crop Cape Blanco  
*Sequoia sempervirens*  
*Sisyrinchium bellum*, Blue-eyed Grass  
*Solidago californica*, California Goldenrod  
*Sphaeralcea munroana*, Desert Mallow  
*Vaccinium ovatum*, Huckleberry  
*Viola adunca*, Dog Violet  
*Vitis californica 'Rogers Red'*, California Wild Grape, RR  
*Wyethia helenioides*, Mules Ears

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*Achillea millefolium*, Common Yarrow  
*Arbutus menziesii*, Madrone  
*Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Howard McMinn'*, Manzanita  
*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*, Manzanita  
*Baccharis* sp., coyote brush  
*Ceanothus 'Dark Star'*  
*Ceanothus gloriosus 'Anchor Bay'*  
*Ceanothus griseus horizontalis 'Yankee Point'*  
*Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Skylark'*  
*Cercis occidentalis*, Western Redbud  
*Dicentra formosa*, Western Bleeding Heart  
*Eschscholzia californica*, California Poppy  
*Garrya elliptica*, Silktassel  
*Heteromeles arbutifolia*, Toyon  
*Iris douglasiana*, Douglas Iris  
*Romneya coulteri*, Matilija Poppy  
*Penstemon* spp., Various Penstemon  
*Polystichum munitum*, Western Sword Fern

Prunus ilicifolia lyonii, Catalina Cherry  
Quercus sp., Oak  
Rhamnus californica, coffeeberry  
Rhododendron occidentale, Western Azalea  
Rhus ovata, Sugar Bush  
Ribes sanguineum, Flowering Currant  
Romneya coulteri, Matilija Poppy  
Rosa californica, California Wild Rose  
Symphoricarpos albus, Snowberry  
Trichostema lanatum, Woolly Blue Curly  
Vitis californica 'Roger's Red', California Grape  
Woodwardia fimbriata, Giant Chain Fern

#### **Grasses**

Festuca idahoensis 'Siskyou Blue', Idaho Fescue  
Festuca idahoensis, Idaho Fescue  
Festuca rubra, Red Fescue

### **Garden 13: Plant List and Garden Story**

Botanical name, Common Name, Plant Community

#### **Ferns**

Blechnum spicant, Deer Fern, Riparian  
Polystichum munitum, Sword Fern, Redwood  
Woodwardia fimbriata, Giant Western Chain Fern, Riparian

#### **Grasses/Sedges/Rushes**

Carex tumulicola, Berkeley Sedge, Woodland  
Festuca californica, California Fescue, Grassland  
Festuca idahoensis, Idaho Fescue, Grassland  
Festuca occidentalis, Western Fescue, Redwood  
Festuca rubra, Red Fescue, Coastal Grassland  
Festuca 'Siskiyou Blue', Fescue, Cultivar  
Juncus patens, Common Rush, Riparian  
Melica torreyana, Torrey's Melic, Oak Savannah  
Muhlenbergia rigens, Deer Grass, Grassland  
Nassella pulchra, Purple Needle Grass, Grassland, Oak Savannah

#### **Perennials**

Achillea millefolium, White Yarrow, Grassland  
Achillea millefolium pink, Pink Yarrow, Grassland  
Allium unifolium, Meadow Onion, Grassland  
Aquilegia formosa, Western Columbine, Redwood  
Armeria maritima, Sea Thrift, Coastal Scrub  
Asclepias speciosa, Showy Milkweed, Many, including Grassland  
Asclepias fascicularis, Narrow Leaf Milkweed, Dry Ground Valley, Foothills  
Asarum caudatum, Wild Ginger, Redwood  
Dicentra formosa, Western Bleeding Heart, Redwood  
Dudleya sp., Live-forever, Coastal Scrub  
Dudleya abramsii, Live-forever, Coastal Scrub?  
Echinacea purpurea, Purple Cone Flower, Exotic, Central & Eastern North America  
Epilobium canum 'Wayne's Silver', California Fuchsia, Dry Slopes, Foothills  
Epilobium canum, California Fuchsia, Dry Slopes, Foothills  
Epilobium septentrionale 'Select Mattole', California Fuchsia, Dry Slopes, Foothills  
Erigeron glaucus, Seaside Daisy, Coastal Scrub  
Erigeron 'Wayne Roderick', Seaside Daisy, Coastal Scrub  
Eriogonum crocatum, Saffron Buckwheat, Coastal Scrub  
Eriogonum grande rubescens, Rosey Buckwheat, Coastal Scrub  
Eriogonum umbellatum polyanthum, Sulfur Buckwheat, Coastal Scrub  
Eschscholzia californica, California Poppy, Grassland, Oak Woodland

*Fragaria chiloensis*, Beach Strawberry, Coastal Scrub  
*Fragaria vesca*, Wood Strawberry, Woodland  
*Heterotheca sessiliflora bolanderi* 'San Bruno Mtn.', Golden Aster, Rocky Slopes  
*Heuchera micrantha*, Small-Flowered Alum Root, Woodland  
*Heuchera micrantha* 'Martha Roderick', Small-Flowered Alum Root, Pink, Woodland  
*Iris douglasiana*, Douglas Iris, Woodland, Grassland  
*Iris douglasiana* 'Canyon Snow', Douglas Iris  
*Iris* sp. Pacific Coast Hybrids, PCH Iris (yellow, and other colors),  
*Gaultheria shallon*, Salal, Redwood  
*Gaura lindheimeri*, Gaura, Exotic, Texas/Louisiana  
*Lilium pardalinum*, Leopard Lily, Riparian  
*Mimulus aurantiacus*, Sticky Monkeyflower, Coastal Scrub/sage  
*Mimulus bifidus*, Apricot Monkeyflower, Coastal Scrub/sage  
*Mimulus guttatus*, Seep Monkeyflower, Riparian  
*Monardella villosa*, Common Coyote Mint, Foothills  
*Monardella odoratissima* cv., Coyote Mint, Coniferous Forests  
*Oxalis oregana*, Redwood Sorrel, Redwood  
*Oenothera hookerii*, Hooker's Evening Primrose, Riparian  
*Penstemon heterophyllus*, Blue Bedder Penstemon, Chaparral, Southern Oak Woodland  
*Ranunculus californicus*, California Buttercup, Foothill Grassland  
*Romneya coulteri*, Matilija Poppy, Coastal Scrub, Chaparral  
*Rosmarinus officinalis*, Rosemary, Exotic, Mediterranean  
*Rudbeckia fulgida*, Black-Eyed Susan, Exotic, Eastern US  
*Salvia spathacea*, Hummingbird Sage, Oak Woodland, Coastal Mountains  
*Satureja douglasii*, Yerba Buena, Interface between Forest & Scrub  
*Sedum spathulifolium* 'Cape Blanco', Stonecrop, Coastal Scrub  
*Sisyrinchium bellum*, Blue-Eyed Grass, Chaparral, Oak Woodland, Coastal Prairie  
*Sisyrinchium bellum* 'Rocky Point', Blue-Eyed Grass  
*Sisyrinchium californicum*, Yellow-Eyed Grass, Coastal Sage Scrub, Freshwater Marsh  
*Tellima grandiflora*, Fringe Cups, Redwood  
*Tiarella trifoliata unifoliata*, Sugar Scoops, Woodland  
*Zauschneria* spp. - see *Epilobium*  
*Vancouveria hexandra*, Inside-out Flower, Redwood

## Shrubs

*Arctostaphylos manzanita* 'Dr. Hurd', Dr. Hurd Manzanita  
*Arctostaphylos* 'Emerald Carpet', Emerald Carpet Manzanita, Coastal Sage Scrub, Mixed Evergreen Forest, etc.  
*Arctostaphylos edmundsii* 'Carmel Sur', Bronze Manzanita, Coastal Sage Scrub  
*Arctostaphylos hookeri* cv., Monterey Manzanita, Coastal Sage Scrub, Closed-Cone Pine Forest  
*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* cv., Bearberry, Coastal Sage Scrub  
*Amelanchier alnifolia* 'Rigens', Dwarf Service Berry, Mixed Evergreen Forest, Southern Oak Woodland  
*Berberis aquifolium*, Oregon Grape, Woodland  
*Berberis aquifolium* 'Golden Abundance', Oregon Grape  
*Berberis repens*, Creeping Barberry, Woodland  
*Berberis nervosa*, Northern Holly Grape, Redwood  
*Carpenteria californica*, Bush Anemone, Chaparral, Central Oak Woodland, Riparian  
*Ceanothus* 'Dark Star', Dark Star Wild Lilac, Chaparral  
*Ceanothus griseus horizontalis* 'Yankee Point', Carmel Creeper, Coastal Sage Scrub  
*Cercis occidentalis*, Western Redbud, Chaparral, Central Oak Woodland  
*Cornus glabrata*, Brown Dogwood, Riparian  
*Corylus cornuta californica*, California Hazelnut, Redwood  
*Crataegus douglasii*, Western Hawthorn, Central Oak Woodland, Mixed Evergreen Forest  
*Eriogonum arborescens*, Santa Cruz Island Buckwheat, Coastal Scrub  
*Eriogonum giganteum*, St. Catherine's Lace, Coastal Scrub  
*Garrya elliptica* 'Evie', Coast Silk Tassel, Chaparral  
*Heteromeles arbutifolia*, Toyon (Christmasberry), Chaparral, Oak Woodland  
*Lepechinia fragrans*, Island Pitcher Sage, Chaparral  
*Myrica californica*, Pacific Wax Myrtle, Edge of Redwood  
*Philadelphus lewisii*, Mock Orange, Central Oak Woodland, Yellow Pine Forest  
*Rhododendron occidentale*, Western Azalea, Redwood  
*Ribes sanguineum* var. *glutinosum*, Pink Flowering Currant, Chaparral, Central Oak Woodland  
*Ribes speciosum*, Fuchsia Flowered Gooseberry, Chaparral, Coastal Sage Scrub  
*Ribes viburnifolium*, Catalina Currant, Chaparral, Coastal Sage Scrub  
*Salvia clevelandii*, Cleveland Sage, Chaparral

Salvia clevelandii 'Poza Blue', Hybrid Sage  
Vaccinium ovatum, Evergreen Huckleberry, Redwood  
Vaccinium sp., Edible Blueberry, Exotic, Eastern US  
Verbena lilacina, Cedros Island Verbena, Coastal Sage Scrub

### **Trees**

Acer circinatum, Vine Maple, Redwood  
Acer palmatum, Japanese Maple , Exotic, Japan  
Acer palmatum 'Dissectum Atropurpureum', Laceleaf Japanese Maple, Exotic, Japan  
Cupressus abramsiana , Santa Cruz Cypress, Santa Cruz Mountains - Endangered species!

### **Vines**

Calystegia californica, Bolinas Morning Glory, Chaparral  
Clematis lasiantha, Chaparral Clematis, Chaparral  
Clematis ligusticifolia, Western Virgin's Bower, Chaparral, Mixed Evergreen Forest  
Lonicera hispidula, Hairy Honeysuckle, Oak Woodland  
Maurandya antirrhiniflora, Snapdragon Vine (herbaceous), Joshua Tree Woodland  
Vitis californica 'Roger's Red', California Wild Grape, Riparian

### **Annual wildflowers**

Clarkia amoena, Herald of Summer (or Farewell to Spring), Coastal Sage Scrub  
Clarkia unguiculata, Elegant Clarkia, Chaparral, Central Oak Woodland  
Claytonia (Montia) perfoliata, Miner's Lettuce, Central Oak Woodland, Coastal Sage Scrub  
Collinsia heterophylla, Chinese Houses, Chaparral, Central Oak Woodland  
Gilia achilleifolia, Blue Gilia  
Gilia capitata, Globe Gilia, Mixed Evergreen Forest  
Gilia tricolor, Bird's Eye Gilia, Chaparral, Central Oak Woodland  
Layia platyglossa campestris, Tidy Tips, Coastal Scrub  
Lobularia maritima, Sweet Alyssum, Exotic, Mediterranean  
Lupinus succulentus, Arroyo Lupine, Chaparral, Coastal Sage Scrub  
Mentzelia lindleyi, Blazing Star, Coastal Sage Scrub, Central Oak Woodland  
Nemophila maculata, Five-Spot Nemophila, Valley Grassland, Redwood Forest  
Nemophila menziesii, Baby Blue Eyes, Chaparral, Coastal Sage Scrub  
Phacelia campanularia, California Blue Bells, Desert  
Platystemon californicus, Cream Cups

### **Bulbs/Corms/Tubers**

Anemone coronaria, Poppy Flowered Anemone , Exotic, Mediterranean  
Chlorogalum pomeridianum, Soaproot  
Dahlia sp., Dahlia, Exotic, Mexico, Guatemala  
Narcissus sp., Daffodil, Exotic, Europe, North Africa

### **What Inspired Me to Go Native?**

I was inspired to go native when I heard a lecture in one of my horticulture classes at Foothill College by Erin O'Doherty (owner of Native Revival Nursery in Aptos) about the tragic loss of 80 to 90 percent of California's indigenous plant communities and wildlife habitats since the first European settlers arrived in our state. I love and admire nature, and I believe in sharing the earth with the animals who were meant to be here. Over the years, I have learned to discover, appreciate, and treasure the beauty of native plants, and I became increasingly interested in creating a garden environment where I could invite some birds, butterflies, and other small suburban wildlife, such as lizards! Once I understood that native plants don't require the high maintenance, fancy soil, fertilizers, pesticides, and all the water that most exotic plants do, that was the icing on the cake!

When we bought our house about 8 years ago, we inherited a typical suburban landscape complete with a front and back lawn, Italian junipers, and roses. After many months of lively discussions (read: arguments) with my husband, John, who is originally from Philadelphia and grew up with lush lawns, azaleas, and dogwoods, my persistence paid off. Not only did we remove the back lawn, but John became -- although reluctantly -- involved with my project. The front yard relandscaping happened several years later, under similar circumstances. A lot has changed since, and I now catch John teaching others about our new landscape, the virtues of native plants, and all the wonderful wildlife that has been visiting our garden. He takes most of our good garden and creature photos, and last year he was my co-docent and a tremendous help when our garden was first shown on the Going Native Garden Tour. This year, he has even sown some home-harvested arroyo lupine seeds at an empty lot near his workplace. A few of the lupines have sprouted, survived, and bloomed!

Our front yard features a meadow planted with red fescue, berkeley sedge, deergrass, and annual and perennial wildflowers, with several fieldstone boulders. I am trying to phase out the red fescue because I've learned that it is a vigorous spreader, outcompetes most wildflowers, and would eventually cover our entire front yard. It does make an attractive, low-maintenance lawn substitute, though, for those who are not interested in experimenting with wildflowers. The path leading to the main entrance of our home bisects the meadow. A western redbud is located at the center of each side of the meadow. I must admit, the meadow requires a lot more maintenance (regular weeding, end-of-summer cutting back of spent annuals, mulching, annual cutting back of bunchgrasses, etc.) than I thought it would, but the spring and summer show of wildflowers, and some kind encouragement from my dear friend, Tanya Kucak, has kept me with it so far.

The large brick-edged planting bed by the front of the house contains several species from the Redwood Forest and Riparian plant communities (Coffeeferry, western hazelnut, salal, western azalea, western sword fern, redwood sorrel, wild ginger, douglas Iris, wood strawberry, leopard lily) as well as some exotics, such as two kinds of Japanese maples.

Various containers near our front door feature additional native plants: yerba buena, deer fern, redwood sorrel, live-forever/sedum, common rush, evergreen huckleberry, fringe cups, and snapdragon vine.

In a shady narrow strip behind the front steps (under our neighbor's star jasmine vines), Martha Roderick small-flowered alum root, purple douglas iris, and creeping barberry create an attractive underplanting, which brings a welcome view from our living room windows.

The backyard garden is home to many colorful perennials (Cedros Island verbena, woolly daisy, California fuchsia, hummingbird sage, seaside daisy, blue bedder penstemon, blue-eyed grass, rosy and sulfur buckwheat, western columbine, more douglas iris), trees (Santa Cruz cypress), shrubs (pacific wax myrtle, western hawthorn, western redbud, monkeyflower, cleveland sage, pitcher sage, bush poppy, toyon, ceanothus, manzanita, pink flowering currant, bush anemone, Saint Catherine's lace buckwheat, island bush snapdragon, catalina currant, coast silktassel, oregon grape), vines (Roger's Red wild grape, chaparral clematis, western virgin's bower, Bolinas morning glory, hairy honeysuckle), grasses/sedges (deergrass, California fescue, purple needlegrass, Siskiyou Blue fescue, berkeley sedge) and some exotics (red hot poker, mexican sage, purple coneflower, black-eyed susan, coral bells, alyssum) that cater to wildlife.

On the covered patio, more potted natives grow: vine maple with fringe cups, giant chain fern, mock orange, brown dogwood, live-forever, monterey manzanita, and sea thrift with sea dahlia.

At the side of the garage, a small perennial border contains coyote mint, Select Mattole California fuchsia, and Moonshine yarrow.

## Garden 14: Plant List and Garden Story

**Groundcover for area behind the lavenders: rectangle approx 4'8" at driveway to 8'3" at gravel path, 12.5' wide**  
3 - different Zauschneria/Epilobium (Hummingbird Fuchsia) -- maybe Epilobium septentrionale 'Select Mattole' or 'Wayne's Silver'

- 1 - Eriogonum giganteum (St. Catherine's Lace)
- 3 - Monardella villosa (Coyote Mint)
- 4 - Achillea tomentosa (Woolly Yarrow) -- nonnative
- 1 - Eriophyllum lanatum (Woolly Sunflower)

**Under the city tree (ornamental pear), back side of lavenders: rectangle approx 8' at gravel path to 7' at neighbor hedge, 20.5' wide**

- 3 - Asclepias sp. (Milkweed) dormant pulled, replace
- 2 - Erigeron glaucus (Seaside Daisy)
- 1 - Achillea millefolium (Common Yarrow)
- 1 - Achillea 'Lachsschonheit' (Salmon Beauty) -- nonnative
- 1 - Epilobium canum cv. (California Fuchsia) dormant pulled, replace
- 1 - Arctostaphylos sp. (Manzanita)
- 1 - Penstemon palmeri (Palmer Penstemon)
- 1 - Eriogonum giganteum (St. Catherine's Lace)
- 1 - Ceanothus gloriosus 'Anchor Bay'

### **Under the bamboo tree (right side of yard)**

- 3 - *Salvia spathacea* (Hummingbird Sage)
- 1 - *Vitis californica* 'Roger's Red' (Grape)
- 1 - *Eriogonum giganteum* (St. Catherine's Lace)
- 1 - *Oenothera hookeri* (Evening Primrose)
- 2 - *Arctostaphylos* (Manzanita)

### **Under the large evergreen coniferous shrub/tree next to the driveway:**

- Satureja douglasii* (Yerba Buena)
- Iris douglasiana* 'Canyon Snow' (white)

### **Plant maybe in March 2004, maybe in 2005, for added color in the flower beds, sowing seeds of annual wildflowers (all packets):**

- 1 - *Eschscholzia californica* (California Poppy)
- 1 - *Clarkia rubicunda*
- 1 - *Clarkia unguiculata* (Elegant Clarkia)
- 1 - *Clarkia amoena* (Farewell-to-Spring)
- 1 - *Gilia tricolor* (Birds Eye Gilia)
- 1 - *Nemophila maculata* (Five Spot)
- 1 - *Nemophila menziesii* (Baby Blue Eyes)
- 1 - *Castilleja exserta exserta* (Owl's Clover)
- 1 - *Collinsia heterophylla* (Chinese Houses)  
(the last two looked too fun to resist)

### **What Attracted Me to Native Plants?**

- \* Laziness regarding weeding.
- \* Wanting to save money on watering.
- \* A desire to see more hummingbirds, butterflies, and interesting flowers in the front yard.

### **Garden as a Work In Progress**

My odyssey to a front yard that looks decent (with little beyond the basic work) began with low-water-usage nonnative plants (lavender and rue and others). I also wanted these plants to control weeds and attract beneficial insects. This odyssey progressed to low-water native plants.

Over the last six years we had some success planting lavender and rue plants, but the weeds in the majority of the yard kept getting worse. We planted a prepared mix of wildflower seeds that was supposed to attract butterflies. Never saw any butterflies, but the wildflowers did look nice among the weeds. But no weed control! And my husband is an organic gardener, so pesticides and chemical weed control products are out of the question. The weeds were overgrowing the beds and the gravel paths. My front yard was the blight of the neighborhood!

Then I heard about native plants. I didn't want any more of the plants already in the yard. If I was going to have to work in the yard to keep it nice, I wanted fun, different, quirky low-water plants! Native plants sounded intriguing. I started reading about it, joined the California Native Plant Society, and went on the Going Native Garden Tour last year. Impressed with the wide variety of native plants I saw on the 2003 tour, I listed my goals:

- \* Weed control with little work.
- \* Save on watering bills, conserve water.
- \* Attract hummingbirds and butterflies.
- \* Interesting flowers, ideally blooming year-round or different ones blooming at different times.
- \* Keep the yard organic.

We started working with a landscape designer I met on the 2003 tour, Agnes Kehoe. She came, she listened, and she developed a plan and a native plant list that fit my goals. She recommended landscapers who pulled all the weeds, dug up other unwanted plants, trimmed plants we wished to keep, and redid the gravel paths on the original layout. We purchased the native plants, and planted them earlier this winter. Then we unknowingly put down the wrong ground cover (gorilla hair), which we are slowly replacing. Due to some overzealous weeding, the dormant milkweed and California fuchsia plants were accidentally pulled up and need to be replaced, along with some yerba buena. But we keep at it.

The plan is that in a couple of years the plants will grow together so I'll have very little weeding to do. Until then, I have approximately 40 minutes of weeding the beds per weekend to keep the yard looking nice, along with the usual garden basics: mulching, weeding, annual pruning, shaping, and cutting back. Not my favorite chores, but I



don't want to lose control of the yard again.

### **Future Plan for Native Plants in the Yard**

I'll keep looking for night-flowering fragrant native plants, and some native strawberries would be fun. I'm generally satisfied with the yard.

### **My Recommendation**

There are such a variety of native plants: different colors of foliage, many flower colors and shapes, different plant shapes, sizes and heights, for different environments. Find out about them (i.e., see lots on the tour!), set your goals, and plant yourself a garden that you will really enjoy.

### **Books and the Internet**

O'Doherty, Erin. *Native Revival -- A Gardener's Guide to California Native Plants*. Written by the owner of Native Revival Nursery, contact them to purchase a copy (tel 831/684-1811 or <http://www.nativerivival.com/>). My favorite native plant book for reading and dreaming.

Derig, Betty B and Margaret C. Fuller. *Wild Berries of the West*. Missoula: Mountain Press Publishing Company. 2001. ISBN 0-87842-433-4. My husband's favorite native plant book.

Schmidt, Marjorie E. *Growing California Native Plants*. 1980. Berkeley: University of California Press. ISBN 0-520-03762-6. Handy reference.

Brenzel, Kathleen Norris. *Western Garden Book*. Sunset Books. ISBN 0376038756. Useful book.

#### **Illustrations?**

Typically I go on the Internet to search for pictures of plants. Personally, I type the plant name (either common or scientific) into Google, but there are other search engines too. As for specific websites, I generally like [plants.usda.gov](http://plants.usda.gov) and [lasplitas.com](http://lasplitas.com), but I bet there are other useful sites too.

### **Referrals**

California Native Plant Society, [www.cnps.org](http://www.cnps.org)  
Lots of interesting information and activities.

Master Gardeners, [www.mastergardeners.org](http://www.mastergardeners.org)  
Good gardening advice, including organic gardening and organic pest control.

Agnes Kehoe, <http://home.earthlink.net/~johnkehoe/index.html>  
Landscape Designer, Gardener and Native Plant Enthusiast. Besides designing native gardens, she maintains gardens that are either mostly native or have some native plants in them. She also does some garden restoration work.

Native Revival Nursery, <http://www.nativerivival.com/>  
I found their staff to be very knowledgeable. Located in Aptos, tel (831)684-1811.

Yerba Buena Nursery, <http://www.yerbabuenanursery.com/>  
I hear this is another good nursery, with a big native plants demonstration garden. Located in Woodside, tel (650) 851-1668.

## **Garden 15: Plant List and Design Statement**

Acer circinatum, Vine maple  
Aesculus californica, California buckeye  
Arbutus menziesii, Madrone  
Arctostaphylos spp., Manzanitas  
Armeria maritima, Sea thrift  
Berberis nervosa, Long-leaf mahonia  
Berberis 'Golden Abundance'

Carex tumulicola, Berkeley sedge  
Ceanothus arboreus 'Trewithen Blue'  
Ceanothus 'Frosty Blue'  
Cupressus abramsiana, Santa Cruz cypress  
Cupressus macnabiana, McNab cypress  
Festuca californica, California fescue  
Festuca occidentalis, Western fescue  
Heuchera 'Dainty Bells'  
Heuchera maxima, Alum root  
Iris douglasiana, Douglas iris  
Juniperus communis, Juniper  
Lilium humboldtii, Humboldt lily  
Polystichum munitum, Western sword fern  
Prunus lyonii, Catalina cherry  
Rhamnus californica 'Mound San Bruno', Coffeeberry  
Rhododendron occidentale, Western azalea  
Rhus ovata, Sugarbush  
Salvia 'Dara's Choice'  
Sequoia sempervirens, Redwood  
Sequoia sempervirens 'Filoli'  
Vaccinium ovatum, California huckleberry  
Vitis californica 'Roger's Red', California grape  
Vitis californica 'Walker Ridge', California grape (range of fall colors)

### **Design Statement: A Sustainable Garden**

from Alrie Middlebrook, Middlebrook Gardens

A sustainable garden is one that is designed and built with materials that are renewable, reusable, and recycled, so that in subsequent years when the effects of time have forced replacement of traditional materials, these sustainable materials will keep on going and going.

Gardens that are sustainable also use fewer natural resources in their upkeep and long-term maintenance. They produce less waste and contribute fewer toxic by-products to natural systems.

Sustainable garden design recognizes the natural systems that are in place in a specific geographic area and creates solutions that conform to and follow the paths of these systems. For example, in designing this garden, I established the following before I put pen to paper:

- \* The garden to be built is in a low, flat meadowland, punctuated with large oak trees. It is in a floodplain with a high water table that evolved over millions of years, heavy in nutrient-rich clay soils.
- \* The climate of the garden is Mediterranean. It receives approximately 12 inches of rain annually, with dry summers.
- \* Before development, the natural drainage systems allowed water to percolate slowly through the heavy soils.

With these tenets in mind, the design choices respect the natural systems, working with them, so that natural relationships are not disrupted. My design choices were as follows:

- \* Plant California native plants.
- \* Use recycled plastic in place of wood for decking and bender board.
- \* Resurface old concrete instead of removing it.
- \* Raise the grade in certain areas, and place the crowns of plants above the grade line.
- \* Drain surface water into the landscape instead of routing it to the urban drainage system, which disrupts the natural drainage flow and carries the water to the bay. In turn, this excess runoff further disrupts the natural systems of the bay.
- \* Avoid inorganic fertilizers and pesticides.

These decisions will sustain the landscape for generations to come.

## Garden 16: Plant List

### California Natives

Aesculus californica -- Buckeye, California  
Arctostaphylos 'Green Bay' -- Manzanita, 'Green Bay'  
Arctostaphylos edmundsii -- Manzanita, Bronzemat/ Little Sur  
Arctostaphylos hookeri ssp. franciscana -- Manzanita, Franciscan  
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi 'Green Supreme' -- Manzanita, Bearberry, Kinnikinnik  
Bouteloua gracilis -- Grass, Eyelash  
Bromus carinatus -- Brome, California  
Carpenteria californica -- Bush Anemone  
Chlorogalum pomeridianum -- Soap Plant/Amole  
Clarkia amoena -- Clarkia, Farewell-to-spring  
Clarkia unguiculata -- Clarkia, Elegant  
Epilobium canum -- Fuchsia, California  
Eschscholzia californica -- Poppy, California  
Festuca californica -- Fescue, California  
Heteromeles arbutifolia -- Toyon  
Heuchera maxima -- Alum Root, Island  
Iris douglasiana -- Iris, Douglas'  
Mimulus aurantiacus -- Monkeyflower, Sticky/Bush/Island  
Mimulus 'Ruby Silver' -- Monkeyflower, 'Ruby Silver'  
Mimulus sp. -- Monkeyflower sp.  
Muhlenbergia rigens -- Deergrass  
Nassella cernua -- Needlegrass, Nodding  
Phacelia tanacetifolia -- Phacelia, Tansy-leafed  
Quercus agrifolia -- Oak, Coast Live/Encina  
Rhamnus crocea -- Redberry, Spiny  
Ribes indecorum -- Currant, White Flowering  
Ribes sanguineum var. glutinosum -- Currant, Red Flowering  
Salvia x clevelandii 'Whirly Blue' -- Sage, 'Whirly Blue'  
Sidalcea malvaeflora -- Checker Mallow/Bloom  
Sisyrinchium bellum -- Blue-eyed grass

### Nonnatives - invasive plants against which we are always struggling

Anagallis arvensis -- Scarlet Pimpernel  
Galium sp. -- Bedstraw sp.  
Geranium molle -- Geranium, Crane's Bill/ Dove's-foot  
Myosotis latifolia -- Forget-me-not, Broadleaf/ Wood  
Nonnative grass sp. -- Grasses, several species  
Scandix pecten-veneris -- Venus's/ Shepherd's Needle  
Senecio vulgaris -- Groundsel/ Old Man of Spring, Common  
Stellaria media -- Chickweed, Common

## Garden 18: Plant List

### Arranged geographically, in the order in which the plants are seen

Lotus purshianus  
Lessingia filaginifolia var. filaginifolia  
Madia elegans  
Chlorogalum pomeridianum  
Perideridia kelloggii  
Zygadenus fremontii  
Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Snow Flurry'  
Ceanothus griseus horizontalis 'Carmel Creeper' or 'Yankee Point'  
Ceanothus 'Dark Star'  
Heteromeles arbutifolia  
Sambucus mexicana  
Eschscholzia californica; 'Moonlight'  
Clarkia hybrid

Streptanthus albidus peramoenus  
 Quercus douglasii  
 Achillea millefolium  
 Malacothamnus arcuatus  
 Atriplex lentiformis  
 Muhlenbergia rigens  
 Garrya elliptica 'James Roof'  
 Cercis occidentalis  
 Lepechinia fragrans  
 Salvia sonomensis  
 Salvia clevelandii  
 Salvia leucophylla  
 Salvia mellifera  
 Salvia apiana  
 Lupinus albifrons  
 Prunus ilicifolia  
 Ericameria ericoides  
 Rhus integrifolia  
 Berberis nevinii  
 Eriogonum fasciculatum  
 Eriogonum giganteum  
 Artemisia californica  
 Epilobium canum (Zauschneria californica); 'Everett's Choice,' 'Alba'  
 Ambrosia dumosa  
 Vitis californica 'Roger's Red'  
 Gnaphalium californicum  
 Salvia apiana x clevelandii 'Vicki Romo'  
 Eriogonum arborescens  
 Mimulus aurantiacus  
 Mimulus flemingii  
 Monardella villosa  
 Dichelostemma capitatum  
 Triteleia laxa  
 Hyptis emoryi  
 Artemisia douglasiana  
 Lavatera assurgentiflora

## Garden 19: Plant List

Plant predators we contend with are deer, rabbits, voles, gophers, and invertebrates. The plants are marked as follows:

- + Generally herbivore resistant
  - Susceptible to herbivory
  - = Very susceptible; deer will knock down fences to get to them and the rodents will dig to get to them
- Plants not marked are somewhat resistant but often eaten in early stages. Limnanthes is especially susceptible to slugs.

### Chaparral Area

- Asclepius californica, Narrow-leaf milkweed
- + Baccharis pilularis, Coyote brush (natural)
- Ceanothus papillosus, Warty-leafed ceanothus
- Cercocarpus betuloides, Mountain mahogany
- + Coreopsis gigantea
- = Eriophyllum nevinii
- Epilobium californica, California fuchsia
- Eschscholzia californica, California poppy
- + Iris douglasiana, Douglas iris
- = Lavatera assurgentiflora, Malva rosa
- + Lepechinia calycina, Pitcher sage
- + Malacothamnus fasciculatus, Chaparral mallow (rare)
- + Mimulus aurantiacus, Sticky monkeyflower

Prunus ilicifolia, Holly-leaf cherry  
+ Rhus integrifolia, Lemonade berry  
+ Ribes sanguineum, Pink currant  
+ Salvia clevelandii, Cleveland sage  
+ Salvia spathacea, Hummingbird sage  
+ Salvia sp.  
= Scrophularia californica, Bee plant  
= Sisyrinchium bellum, Blue-eyed grass

#### **Pond Area**

+ Carex spissa, San Diego sedge  
- Eschscholzia californica, California poppy  
Euthamia occidentalis, Western goldenrod  
= Limnanthes douglasii sulfurea, Sulfur meadowfoam (rare)  
- Aesculus californica, California buckeye  
= Oenothera hookeri, Hooker's evening primrose  
+ Scirpus sp., Tule

#### **Riparian Area**

- Acer macrophyllum, Big-leaf maple  
- Aesculus californica, California buckeye  
- Cornus sericea, Creek dogwood  
+ Juncus sp., Rush  
+ Quercus agrifolia, Coast live oak (natural)  
+ Ribes californicum, Hillside gooseberry (natural)  
+ Rubus ursinus, California blackberry (natural)  
+ Salix lasiolepis, Arroyo willow  
- Sambucus mexicana, Blue elderberry  
+ Stachys ajugoides rigida, Hedge nettle or woodmint (natural)  
Umbellularia californica, California bay (natural)  
- Vitis californica, Wild grape

#### **Grassland in Progress (Upper lot)**

Achillea millefolium, Yarrow  
- Chlorogalum pomeridianum, Soap plant  
Clarkia unguiculata, Elegant clarkia  
Dichelostemma capitatum, Blue dicks  
- Eschscholzia californica, California poppy  
- Gilia tricolor, Bird's eye gilia  
+ Muhlenbergia sp.  
- Nassella pulchra, Purple needlegrass  
Triteleia laxa, Ithuriel's spear  
+ Zigadenus fremontii, Fremont's star lily

## **Garden 20: Plant List**

#### **Sun/summer drought preference**

Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Howard McMinn', Manzanita  
Artemisia californica, California Sagebrush  
Artemisia douglasiana, Mugwort  
Atriplex lentiformis, Quailbush  
Ceanothus thyrsiflorus, Wild Lilac  
Delphinium cardinale, Cardinal Larkspur  
Diplacus aurantiacus 'Ramona'  
Epilobium canum 'Uvas Canyon'  
Epilobium canum or latifolium, California Fuchsia  
Heterotheca villosa 'San Bruno Mtn', Golden Aster  
Heterotheca sessiliflora  
Heteromeles arbutifolia, Toyon  
Lessingia filaginifolia  
Malacothamnus fasciculatus, Chaparral Mallow

Malacothamnus jonesii  
Mimulus aurantiacus var puniceus, Sticky Monkeyflower  
Monardella villosa, Coyote Mint  
Penstemon centranthifolius, Scarlet Bugler  
Romneya coulteri, Matilija Poppy  
Rhamnus californica, Coffeeberry  
Salvia apiana, White Sage  
Salvia brandegei  
Salvia leucophylla, Purple Sage  
Salvia sonomensis, Creeping Sage  
Trichostema lanatum, Woolly Blue Curls  
Wyethia sp., Mules Ears

**Sun/some want occasional deep watering, some take "regular" summer watering**

Aquilegia formosa, Western Columbine  
Aquilegia pubescens, Sierra Columbine  
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi  
Artemisia californica x 'Montara'  
Aster ascendens, Aster  
Aster chilensis 'Pt St George', Aster  
Baccharis pilularis, Dwarf Coyote Brush  
Calycanthus occidentalis, Spice Bush  
Carpenteria californica 'Elizabeth', Bush Anemone  
Ceanothus 'Joan Mirov'  
Ceanothus 'Joyce Coulter'  
Ceanothus thyrsiflorus  
Cercis occidentalis, Western Redbud  
Cercocarpus betuloides, Western Mtn. Mahogany  
Corylus cornuta californica, California Hazelnut  
Epipactis gigantea, Stream Orchid  
Erigeron glaucus, Seaside Daisy  
E. glaucus 'Wayne Roderick'  
Eriogonum arborescens, Santa Cruz Isl. Buckwheat  
Eriogonum giganteum, Saint Catherine's Lace  
Eriogonum grande var rubescens, Rosy Buckwheat  
Eriogonum umbellatum var polyanthum, Sulfur Buckwheat  
Galvezia speciosa, Island Bush Snapdragon  
Garrya elliptica 'Evie', Coast Silk Tassel  
Helianthus californicus, California Sunflower  
Heteromeles arbutifolia, Toyon  
Iris PCH, Pacific Coast Hybrid Iris  
Iris douglasiana 'Canyon Snow'  
Iris macrosiphon, Ground Iris  
Keckiella antirrhinoides  
Keckiella cordifolia, Climbing Penstemon  
Lavatera assurgentiflora, Mission Mallow  
Lepechinia fragrans, Island Pitcher Sage  
Lonicera involucrata, Twinberry  
Lupinus albifrons, Silver Bush Lupine  
Lupinus arboreus  
Lupinus polyphyllus, Marsh Lupine  
Malacothamnus fasciculatus, Chaparral Mallow  
Marah sp., Wild Cucumber  
Mimulus hybrid, Monkeyflower  
Mimulus guttatus, Seep Monkeyflower  
Monardella purpurea, Coyote Mint  
Muhlenbergia rigens, Deer Grass  
Myrica californica, Pacific Wax Myrtle  
Oenothera hookeri, Evening Primrose  
Oenothera bistorta, Southern Sun Cups  
Penstemon heterophyllus, Blue Bedder  
Plantago maritima, Plantain  
Ribes aureum, Golden Currant  
Ribes malvaceum, Chaparral Currant

Ribes sanguineum, Pink Flowering Currant  
Ribes speciosum, Fuchsia Flowered Gooseberry  
Salvia 'Bees Bliss'  
Salvia clevelandii 'Winifred Gilman'  
Salvia leucophylla 'Point Sal'  
Salvia spathacea, Hummingbird Sage  
Satureja mimuloides, Red Flowered Wild Savory  
Sidalcea sp., Checker Mallow  
Sidalcea calycosa rhizomata, Pt. Reyes Checkerbloom  
Sisyrinchium bellum, Blue Eyed Grass  
Sisyrinchium californicum, Yellow Eyed Grass  
Spiraea douglasii, Steeple bush  
Stachys ajugoides var. rigida, Rigid Hedge Nettle  
Stachys albens, Woolly Sage  
Stachys chamissonus  
Styrax officinalis var. redivivus, Snowdrop Bush  
Verbena lilacina, Cedros Island Verbena

#### **Shade/occasional water**

Heuchera 'Canyon Delight', Coral Bells  
Heuchera maxima x sanguinea, Coral Bells  
Holodiscus discolor, Cream Bush  
Iris douglasiana 'Joey' (maroon)  
Iris PCH, Pacific Coast Hybrid Iris  
Lotus formosissimus  
Petasites palmatus, Western Coltsfoot  
Phacelia bolanderi, Caterpillar Flower  
Physocarpus capitatus, Pacific Ninebark  
Philadelphus lewisii, Mock Orange  
Potentilla gracilis, Cinquefoil

#### **Shade/moist**

Lobelia cardinalis, Scarlet Lobelia  
Mimulus guttatus, Golden Monkeyflower  
Potentilla glandulosa, Sticky Cinquefoil,

#### **Bulbs**

Allium unifolium, Meadow Onion  
Brodiaea elegans, Harvest Brodiaea  
Calochortus luteus, Golden Orb  
Calochortus vestae, Clay Mariposa Lily  
Camassia quamash  
Chlorogalum pomeridianum, Soap Plant  
Dichelostemma capitatum, Blue Dicks  
Dichelostemma ida-maia, Firecracker Flower  
Lilium pardalinum, Leopard Lily

#### **Grasses**

Calamagrostis foliosa, Leafy Reed Grass  
Festuca californica, , California Fescue  
Juncus patens, Common Rush  
Muhlenbergia rigens, Deer Grass  
Nassella pulchra, Purple Needle Grass

#### **Vines**

Calystegia macrostegia 'Anacapa Pink'  
Clematis lasiantha  
Vitis californica, Wild Grape

#### **Trees**

Acer circinatum, Vine Maple  
Aesculus californica, California Buckeye  
Alnus rhombifolia, White Alder  
Betula occidentalis, Water Birch

Quercus agrifolia, Coast Live Oak  
Quercus kelloggii, California Black Oak

#### **Water Plants**

Anemopsis californica, Yerba Mansa  
Equisetum sp., Horsetail  
Sagittaria sp., Arrowhead

#### **Annuals**

Clarkia amoena, Herald of Spring  
Clarkia unguiculata, Mountain Garland  
Claytonia perfoliata, Miner's Lettuce  
Collinsia heterophylla, Chinese Houses  
Eschscholzia californica, California Poppy  
Gilia capitatum, Globe Gilia  
Layia platyglossa, Tidy Tips  
Lupinus succulentus, Arroyo Lupine  
Madia elegans, Elegant Tarweed  
Mimulus pictus, Calico Flower  
Nemophila menziesii, Baby Blue Eyes  
Phacelia campanularia, California Bluebells  
Streptanthus albidus peramoenus, Jewelflower

### **Garden 21: Plant List**

Aesculus californica, California buckeye  
Alnus rubra, Red alder  
Aquilegia formosa, Columbine  
Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Howard McMinn', Manzanita  
Arctostaphylos manzanita 'Dr. Hurd', Manzanita  
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi, Bearberry  
Calycanthus occidentalis, Western spicebush  
Ceanothus 'Concha', California lilac  
Ceanothus 'Dark Star', California lilac  
Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Arroyo de la Cruz'  
Ceanothus thyrsiflorus var. repens, Creeping California lilac  
Festuca californica, California fescue  
Festuca idahoensis 'Siskiyou Blue', Blue Fescue  
Fragaria vesca, Woodland strawberry  
Hierochloa occidentalis, Vanilla grass  
Oxalis oregana, Redwood sorrel  
Rhododendron occidentale, Western azalea  
Ribes sanguineum, Flowering currant  
Rosa californica, California Wild rose  
Sisyrinchium bellum, Blue-eyed grass  
Sisyrinchium californicum, Yellow-eyed grass  
Vaccinium ovatum, California huckleberry

### **Garden 22: Plant List**

Plants native to the site

#### **Annuals and perennials**

Snakeroot sanicle, Sanicula crassicaulis  
Purple sanicle, Sanicula bipinnatifida  
Blue-eyed grass, Sisyrinchium bellum  
Yellow mariposa lily, Calochortus sp.  
Wavy soaproot, Chlorogalum pomeridianum



Woodmint, *Stachys* sp.  
Wild cucumber, *Marah fabaceus*  
Miner's lettuce, *Claytonia (Montia) perfoliata*  
California buttercup, *Ranunculus californicus*  
Ithuriel's spear, *Triteleia laxa*  
Harvest brodiaea, *Brodiaea elegans*  
White hyacinth, *Triteleia hyacinthina*  
Yellow johnny-jump-up, *Viola pedunculata*  
Yampah, *Perideridia* sp.  
Douglas iris, *Iris douglasiana*  
Sticky monkeyflower, *Mimulus* sp.  
Oak mistletoe, *Phoradendron villosum*

#### **Grasses and grasslike plants**

Native rye, *Elymus glaucus*  
Purple needlegrass, *Nassella (Stipa) pulchra*  
Sedges, *Carex* spp.

#### **Fern**

Goldback fern, *Pentagramma triangularis*

#### **Shrubs**

Toyon, *Heteromeles arbutifolia*  
Coyote brush, *Baccharis pilularis*  
Hillside fuchsia-flowering gooseberry, *Ribes speciosum*  
Poison oak, *Toxicodendron diversilobum*

#### **Trees**

Buckeye, *Aesculus californica*  
Coast live oak, *Quercus agrifolia*  
Blue oak, *Quercus douglasii*  
Blue elderberry, *Sambucus mexicana*

#### **Plants added in the last fifteen years**

Pitcher sage, *Lepechinia* sp.  
Western redbud, *Cercis occidentalis*  
Common yarrow, *Achillea millefolium*  
Roger's Red grape, *Vitis californica* 'Roger's Red'

#### **Garden 23: Plant List (including \*nonnatives)**

*Arctostaphylos pajaroensis* 'Paradise', Manzanita  
*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*, Manzanita  
*Ceanothus* 'Dark Star', Ceanothus  
\**Cistus ladanifer*, Crimson spot rockrose  
\**Distictis buccinatoria*, Red trumpet vine  
*Epilobium septentrionale*, California fuchsia  
*Festuca idahoensis*, Idaho fescue  
*Grindelia stricta*, Gum plant  
*Heteromeles arbutifolia*, Toyon  
*Heuchera* 'Santa Ana Cardinal', Coral bells  
*Iris douglasiana*, Douglas iris  
\**Lagerstroemia* 'Tonto', Crape myrtle  
\**Leymus arenarius* 'Findhorn', Blue lyme grass  
*Muhlenbergia rigens*, Deergrass  
\**Penstemon* 'Garnet', Red penstemon  
*Salvia leucophylla* 'Bee's Bliss', Bee's bliss sage  
\**Thymus pseudolanuginosus*, Woolly thyme

## Garden 24: Plant List

### Mature plants

Berberis aquifolium  
Calystegia sp.  
Ceanothus cuneatus  
Dasyliirion glaucophyllum (native to Mexico)  
Epilobium canum  
Galvezia speciosa  
Isomeris arborea  
Lavatera assurgentiflora  
Pseudotsuga menziesii  
Rhamnus californica  
Salvia apiana  
Salvia leucophylla  
Salvia spathacea  
Vitis californica

### Newly planted and annuals

Arctostaphylos 'Austin Griffiths'  
Armeria maritima  
Asclepias speciosa  
Carex tumulicola  
Carex pansa  
Ceanothus 'Blue Jeans'  
Ceanothus gloriosus 'Heart's Desire'  
Ceanothus hearstiorum  
Ceanothus gloriosus 'Pt. Reyes'  
Ceanothus 'Ray Hartman'  
Cercis occidentalis  
Chlorogalum pomeridianum  
Claytonia perfoliata  
Deschampsia caespitosa  
Eriogonum arborescens  
Eriogonum crocatum  
Eriogonum latifolium grande rubescens  
Fremontia mexicana  
Heterotheca sessiliflora  
Heuchera maxima  
Lessingia sp.  
Lewisia cotyledon 'yellow'  
Leymus condensatus  
Linum lewisii  
Melica torreyana  
Mimulus puniceus  
Monardella villosa  
Penstemon heterophylla  
Phacelia tanacetifolia  
Ribes malvaceum  
Ribes sanguineum glutinosum  
Salvia clevelandii 'Poza Blue'  
Salvia leucophylla 'Figueroa Mtn'  
Salvia mellifera  
Scirpus cernuus  
Sisyrinchium bellum  
Symphoricarpos albus  
Tellima grandiflora

## Garden 26: Plant List

Arctostaphylos glauca, Manzanita  
Chlorogalum pomeridianum, Soap Plant  
Dryopteris arguta, Wood Fern (native to site)  
Festuca californica, California Fescue  
Festuca idahoensis 'Siskiyou Blue', Fescue  
Fragaria vesca, Wild Strawberry  
Heteromeles arbutifolia, Toyon  
Heteromeles arbutifolia 'Davis Gold', Yellow-berry Toyon  
Heuchera maxima, Giant Alum Root  
Heuchera micrantha 'Wendy', Pink Alum Root  
Iris douglasiana, Douglas Iris  
Mimulus aurantiacus, Sticky Monkeyflower  
Mimulus guttata, Seep Monkeyflower  
Polystichum munitum, Western Sword Fern  
Quercus agrifolia, Coast Live Oak (native to site)  
Rhamnus californica, Coffeeberry  
Ribes malvaceum, Chaparral Currant  
Ribes sanguineum, Flowering Currant  
Ribes viburnifolium, Catalina Perfume  
Salvia spathacea, Hummingbird Sage  
Satureja douglasii, Yerba Buena  
Whipplea modesta, Modesty  
Woodwardia fimbriata, Giant Chain Fern

### Annuals

Limnanthes sp. Meadowfoam  
Gilia capitata, Globe Gilia

## Garden 27. Northside Volunteer Garden Plant List

(including \*nonnatives)

\*Achillea filipendulina 'Coronation Gold' (Yarrow)  
\*Achillea 'Moonshine' (Yarrow)  
Arctostaphylos 'Emerald Carpet' (Emerald Carpet Manzanita)  
Arctostaphylos edmundsii 'Carmel Sur' (Manzanita)  
\*Artemisia 'Powis Castle'  
Artemisia pycnocephala (Sandhill Sage)  
Baccharis pilularis (Coyote Bush)  
Ceanothus gloriosus 'Anchor Bay' (California Lilac)  
Cercis occidentalis (Western Redbud)  
\*Chrysanthemum maximum (Shasta Daisy)  
\*Diets iridioides (Fortnight Lily)  
\*Dusty Miller  
Eschscholzia californica (California Poppy)  
Festuca californica (California Fescue)  
Festuca rubra (Red Fescue)  
Garrya elliptica 'James Roof' (Silktassel)  
\*Hemerocallis hybrids (Daylilies)  
Heteromeles arbutifolia (Toyon)  
Heuchera sp. (UCB Groundcover)  
Iris PCH (Pacific Coast Hybrid Iris)  
\*Lagerstroemia indica (Crape Myrtle)  
\*Lavandula stoechas 'Quasti' (Spanish Butterfly Lavender)  
\*Lavandula 'Goodwin Creek' (Lavender )  
Lupinus albifrons (Silver Bush Lupine)  
\*Mimulus hybrids (Monkeyflower)  
\*Narcissus (Daffodil)  
\*Pelargonium (Geranium)

Penstemon heterophyllus 'Margarita BOP'  
Quercus agrifolia (Coast Live Oak)  
Rhamnus californica 'Eve Case' (Coffeeberry)  
Rhamnus californica 'Mound San Bruno' (Dwarf Coffeeberry)  
Ribes viburnifolium (Catalina Perfume, Evergreen Currant)  
\*Rosmarinus prostratus 'Ken Taylor' (Creeping Rosemary)  
Salvia apiana (White Sage)  
Salvia 'Dara's Choice'  
\*Salvia greggii (Autumn Sage Hybrid)  
Salvia sonomensis (Creeping Sage)  
Salvia spathacea (Hummingbird Sage)  
\*Thymus praecox arcticus (Creeping Thyme)  
Zauschneria 'Hurricane Point' (California Fuchsia)

## Garden 28: Plant List

Aquilegia formosa, Columbine  
Carex tumulicola, Berkeley Sedge  
Calycanthus occidentalis, Spice Bush  
Cercocarpus betuloides, Mountain Mahogany  
Ceanothus gloriosus 'Point Reyes', California Lilac  
Ceanothus 'Joan Mirov', California Lilac  
Ceanothus 'Julia Phelps', California Lilac  
Ceanothus rigidus 'Snowball', California Lilac  
Clematis sp., Clematis  
Festuca californica, California Fescue  
Festuca rubra, Red Fescue  
Iris douglasiana, Douglas Iris  
Juncus patens, Rush  
Lilium pardalinum, Leopard Lily  
Leymus condensatus 'Canyon Prince', Wild Rye  
Philadelphus lewisii, Mock Orange  
Physocarpus capitatus, Ninebark  
Festuca idahoensis 'Siskiyou Blue', Siskiyou Fescue  
Thalictrum fendleri, Meadow Rue  
Vitis californica 'Roger's Red', California Grape Vine  
Woodwardia fimbriata, Giant Chain Fern

## Garden 30: Plant List

(with a few comments on wildlife value)

Alnus rhombifolia, White alder  
Aquilegia formosa, Columbines (in children's garden for seed)  
Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Howard McMinn', Manzanita  
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi, Manzanita  
Artemisia californica, California sagebrush  
Baccharis pilularis, Coyote brush (nursemaid plant & improves soil)  
Brodiaea sp.  
Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Skylark'  
Chlorogalum pomeridianum, Soap plant  
Clarkia amoena, Farewell-to-spring  
Clarkia rubicunda, Hillside clarkia  
Claytonia perfoliata, Miner's lettuce (for deer)  
Collinsia heterophylla, Chinese houses  
Cardamine californica, Milkmaids  
Cynoglossum grande, Hound's tongue  
Eschscholzia californica, California poppy

Gilia capitata, Globe gilia  
Gilia tricolor, Birds-eye gilia  
Gnaphalium sp., Cudweed  
Hemizonia congesta, Hayfield tarweed (for deer, fragrant blooms in July with no water)  
Heteromeles arbutifolia, Toyon (for birds)  
Juncus bufonius, Toad rush  
Lathyrus vestitus, Woodland pea  
Limnanthes douglasii, Meadow foam  
Linanthus androsaceus, Linanthus  
Linum lewisii, Blue flax  
Lupinus bicolor, Miniature lupine  
Lupinus succulentus, Arroyo lupine  
Mimulus aurantiacus, Monkeyflower  
Mimulus guttatus, Seep monkeyflower  
Myrica californica, Pacific wax myrtle  
Nemophila menziesii, Baby blue eyes  
Owl's-clover  
Platystemon californicus, Cream cups  
Quercus agrifolia, Coast live oak  
Ranunculus californicus, California buttercup  
Rhamnus californica 'Eve Case', Coffeeberry  
Ribes sanguineum, Flowering currant  
Salvia spathacea, Hummingbird sage  
Satureja douglasii, Yerba buena  
Sisyrinchium bellum, Blue-eyed grass  
Stachys bullata, Hedge nettle or woodmint  
Vitis californica, California grape (for birds)

#### **Grasses**

Melica torreyana, Torrey's melica  
Nassella lepida, Foothill stipa  
Elymus glaucus, Blue wildrye

### **Garden 31: Plant List**

(including \*nonnatives)

Arctostaphylos densiflora 'Sentinel', Manzanita  
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi 'Woods Compact', Manzanita  
\*Calamagrostis x stricta 'Karl Foerster', Feather reed grass  
\*Camellia sasanqua 'Yuletide', Camellia  
Carex tumulicola, Berkeley sedge  
Ceanothus 'Dark Star', Ceanothus  
\*Cerastium tomentosum, Snow-in-summer  
\*Distictis buccinatoria, Red trumpet vine  
Epilobium canum, California fuchsia  
\*Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue', Blue fescue  
Heuchera maxima, Island alum root  
Heuchera sanguinea, Coral bells  
Juncus patens, Common rush  
\*Lagerstroemia 'Centennial Spirit', Crape myrtle  
\*Lavandula angustifolia 'Sharon Roberts', Lavender  
\*Limonium perezii, Statice  
\*Narcissus 'Ice Follies', Daffodil  
\*Rosa 'Purple Floorshow', Rose  
\*Thymus pseudolanuginosus, Woolly thyme

## Garden 34: Story and Plant List

We moved to California from North Carolina. Soon after a couple of horticultural disasters it became clear that the gardening practices from rainy and humid East Coast do not work here. This resulted in developing a Darwinian approach to landscaping: plant one of everything, see what survives. After a while it became clear that CA natives survive best. The long-range plan is to have every CA native plant that will grow in clay and without summer water. So far, there are about 250 different native species and cultivars in the garden.

### Natives large enough to merit a look

Those that should be in bloom during the tour are marked with a +  
Those that might be in bloom are marked with a ?

Acer macrophyllum  
?Aquilegia exima  
+Aquilegia formosa  
Arctostaphylos glauca  
Arctostaphylos pajaricensis X hookeri 'Sunset'  
Atriplex lentiformis 'Breweri'  
Baccharis pilularis pilularis 'Pigeon Point'  
Baccharis pilularis pilularis 'Twin Peaks'  
?Berberis nevadensis  
?Calycanthus occidentalis  
Carex subbracteata  
+Carpenteria californica 'Elizabeth'  
Ceanothus arboreus 'Trewithen Blue'  
Ceanothus arboreus X griseus 'Ray Hartman'  
+Ceanothus hearstiorum 'Claremont'  
?Ceanothus 'Joyce Coulter'  
Ceanothus maritimus 'Dr. Leiser's Dark Blue'  
Ceanothus maritimus 'Frosty Dawn'  
Ceanothus maritimus 'Pt. Serra'  
+Ceanothus thyrsiflorus  
+Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Arroyo de la Cruz'  
+Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Snow Flurry'  
Cercis occidentalis 'Claremont'  
Cercocarpus betuloides  
+Coreopsis gigantea  
+Dendromecon rigida  
+Dudleya cymosa  
+Dudleya pulverulenta  
+Encelia californica  
Epilobium canum 'Catalina'  
Epilobium canum 'Select Silver'  
?Eriogonum arborescens x giganteum  
+Eriogonum crocatum  
Eriogonum fasciculatum fasciculatum  
Eriogonum giganteum  
+Eriogonum umbellatum polyanthum 'Shasta Sulfur'  
?Forestiera pubescens  
+Fremontodendron 'Pacific Sunset'  
+Galvezia speciosa 'Boca Rosa'  
+Grindelia camporum  
+Heuchera maxima  
?Iris douglasiana 'Canyon Snow'  
+Lavatera assurgentiflora  
Leymus condensatus 'Canyon Prince'  
Lupinus arboreus  
Malacothamnus fasciculatus  
Malacothamnus palmeri lucianus  
Mentha arvensis  
+Penstemon heterophyllus 'Margarita BOP'  
+Philadelphus lewisii 'Goose Creek'  
Pinus coulteri

Quercus lobata  
Ribes indecorum  
Ribes viburnifolium  
Romneya coulteri  
+Salvia apiana  
+Salvia brandegei  
+Salvia clevelandii  
?Salvia leucophylla 'Figueroa'  
?Salvia leucophylla 'Pt. Sal'  
+Salvia leucophylla X sonomensis 'Bee's Bliss'  
+Salvia sonomensis 'Dara's Choice'  
+Salvia spathacea  
+Salvia spathacea 'Powerline Pink'  
+Scrophularia Californica  
+Sisyrinchium bellum  
?Sisyrinchium bellum 'Rocky Point'  
Sisyrinchium bellum (white form)  
Sisyrinchium californicum

### Annuals

?Clarkia amoena  
?Clarkia bottae  
?Clarkia unguiculata  
+Eschscholzia californica

### Other

About 30 agavaceae species  
About 90 other non-native, California-friendly species  
About 200 other CA species that are still quite small or inaccessible this year.

## Garden 35: Arvind & Ashok's Easy to Grow Natives for San Jose Gardens

A partial list of native plants that grew well in our San Jose garden with a minimum of fuss. An earlier version of this list is also posted on the [GoingNativeGardenTour.com](http://GoingNativeGardenTour.com) website.

Common Name, Scientific Name, Height, Width, Exposure, Water, Flower, Bloom Time, Rank

### Wildflowers

California Poppy, *Eschscholzia californica*, 1.5', 1.5', Sun, , Orange, Feb-Apr, 1  
Globe Gilia, *Gilia capitata*, 1', 6", Sun, , Blue, Apr-May, 2  
Goldfields, *Lasthenia glabrata*, 6", 1', Sun, Yellow, Apr-May, 3  
Ruby Chalice Clarkia, *Clarkia rubicunda*, 2', 3', Sun, , Pink, May-Jun, 4  
Meadowfoam, *Limnanthes douglasii*, 6", 1', Sun, Moist, White/yellow, Apr-May, 5  
Chinese Houses, *Collinsia heterophylla*, 1', 1.5', Shade, , White/purple, Apr, 6  
Elegant Clarkia, *Clarkia unguiculata*, 4', 1', Sun, , Magenta, May-Jun, 7  
Blazing Star, *Mentzelia lindleyi*, 2', 1', Sun, , Yellow, Apr-May, 8  
Grand Linanthus, *Linthus grandiflorus*, 1', 6", Sun, , White/pink, Apr-May, 9  
Seep Monkeyflower, *Mimulus guttatus*, 1.5', 1', Sun, Moist, Yellow, Mar-Apr, 10  
Common Madia, *Madia elegans*, 4', 2', Sun, , Yellow, Jul-Aug  
Miner's Lettuce, *Claytonia perfoliata*, 1', 8", Shade, , White (insignificant), Feb-Mar  
Farewell To Spring, *Clarkia amoena*, 2', 1', Sun, , Pink, May-Jun

### Perennials

Yarrow, *Achillea millefolium*, , , Sun, , White  
California Fuchsia, *Epilobium canum canum*, , , Sun, , Red  
Mugwort, *Artemisia douglasiana*, , , Shade, , None  
Hummingbird Sage, *Salvia spathacea*, , , Shade, , Pink  
Columbine, *Aquilegia formosa*, , , Shade, , Red

Checkerbloom, *Sidalcea malvaeflora*, , , Sun, , Pink  
Mountain Iris, *Iris douglasiana*, , , Sun, , Purple  
Gumplant, *Grindelia camporum*, , , Sun, , Yellow  
Coyote Mint, *Monardella villosa*, , , Sun, , Purple

### **Bulbs**

Fremont's Star Lily, *Zygadenus fremontii*, , , Sun, , White  
Stream Orchid, *Epipactis gigantea*, , , Shade, Moist, Green  
Blue Dicks, *Dichelostemma capitatum*, , , Sun, , Blue  
Ithuriel's Spear, *Triteleia laxa*, , , Sun, , Blue

### **Shrubs**

Purple Sage, *Salvia leucophylla*, , , Sun, , Lavender  
Black Sage, *Salvia mellifera*, , , Sun, , White  
Wild Buckwheat, *Eriogonum fasciculatum*, , , Sun, , White  
Toyon, *Heteromeles arbutifolia*, , , Sun, , Red berries  
Blue Witch, *Solanum umbelliferum*, , , Sun, , Purple  
Sticky Monkeyflower, *Mimulus aurantiacus*, , , Sun, , Orange  
Oregon Grape, *Berberis aquifolium*, , , Sun, , Yellow

### **Groundcover**

Dwarf Coyote Brush, *Baccharis pilularis* 'Pigeon Point', , , Sun, , White  
Bee's Bliss Sage, *Salvia* 'Bee's Bliss', , , Sun, , Lavender

### **Grasses/Sedges**

California Fescue, *Festuca californica*, , , Shade  
Pine Bluegrass, *Poa secunda*, , , Sun  
Junegrass, *Koeleria macrantha*, , , Sun  
Foothill Sedge, *Carex tumulicola*, , , Sun/shade

### **Vines**

California Grape, *Vitis californica*, , , Sun  
Western Virgin's Bower, *Clematis ligusticifolia*, , , Shade, , White  
Chaparral Clematis, *Clematis lasiantha*, , , Sun, , White  
California Honeysuckle, *Lonicera hispidula*, , , Sun, , Pink

### **Trees**

California Buckeye, *Aesculus californica*, , , Sun, , White  
Blue Elderberry, *Sambucus mexicana*, , , Sun, , Cream  
Hollyleaf Cherry, *Prunus ilicifolia*, , , Sun, , White  
Valley Oak, *Quercus lobata*, , , Sun, , , ,  
Coast Live Oak, *Quercus agrifolia*, , , Sun

### **Sources**

Natives are hard to find at regular nurseries, although it never hurts to ask.  
Most of our seeds and plants came from the following:

Annie's Annuals (4-inch pots only), [www.anniesannuals.com](http://www.anniesannuals.com), (510) 215-1326, P.O. Box 5053, Richmond, CA 94805

Larner Seeds (mainly seeds), [www.larnerseeds.com](http://www.larnerseeds.com), (415) 868-9407, P.O. Box 407, Bolinas, CA 94924

Yerba Buena Nursery, [www.yerbabuenanursery.com](http://www.yerbabuenanursery.com), (650) 851-1668, 19500 Skyline Blvd., Woodside, CA 94062

Native Revival Nursery, [www.nativerivival.com](http://www.nativerivival.com), (831) 684-1811, 2600 Mar Vista Dr., Aptos, CA 95003

Rana Creek Nursery, [www.ranacreek.com](http://www.ranacreek.com), (831) 659-4851, 35351 E Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93924

Elkhorn Nursery, [www.elkhornnursery.com](http://www.elkhornnursery.com), (831) 763-1207, P.O. Box 270, Moss Landing, CA 95039

Sally Casey (4-inch pots, bulbs), CNPS/GWN, [www.cnps-scv.org](http://www.cnps-scv.org)