



Brooks Island Wildflowers

A photographic guide to
showy wildflowers of
Brooks Island
Regional Preserve

Sorted by
Flower Color

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More than 2,000 species of native and naturalized plants grow wild in the San Francisco Bay Area. Most are very difficult to identify without the help of good illustrations. This is designed to be a simple, color photo guide to help you identify some of these plants.

The selection of showy wildflowers displayed in this guide is by no means complete. The intent is to expand the quality and quantity of photos over time. The revision date is shown on the cover and on the header of each photo page. A comprehensive plant list for this area (including the many species not found in this publication) can be downloaded at the East Bay Regional Park District's wild plant download page at: <http://www.ebparks.org>.

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In this version of the guide, only showy wildflowers are included. These wildflowers are sorted first by flower color, then by plant family (similar flower types), and finally by scientific name within each family. Under each photograph are four lines of information, based on the current standard wild plant reference for California: *The Jepson Manual: Higher Plants of California*, 1993.

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

For readers that prefer a more comprehensive guide, sorted by scientific name, please download the “wild plants” version of this guide.

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

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California Buckeye
Aesculus californica
Native Perennial
Buckeye Family



Common Yard Knotweed
Polygonum arenastrum
Introduced Annual
Buckwheat Family



Common / California Manroot
Marah fabaceus
Native Perennial
Gourd Family



Blue Elderberry
Sambucus mexicana
Native Perennial
Honeysuckle Family



Common Soap Plant
Chlorogalum pomeridianum var. *pomeridianum*
Native Perennial
Lily Family



Shortstem Morning Glory
Calystegia subacaulis ssp. *subacaulis*
Native Perennial
Morning-Glory Family



Milkmaids
Cardamine californica
Native Perennial
Mustard Family



Mouse-ear Chickweed
Cerastium glomeratum
Introduced Annual
Pink Family



Stickwort
Spergula arvensis ssp. *arvensis*
Introduced Annual
Pink Family



Common Chickweed
Stellaria media
Introduced Annual
Pink Family



California Dwarf Plantain
Plantago erecta
Native Annual
Plantain Family



English Plantain
Plantago lanceolata
Introduced Annual
Plantain Family



Common Miner's Lettuce
Claytonia perfoliata ssp. *perfoliata*
Native Annual
Purslane Family



Native California Blackberry
Rubus ursinus
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Yarrow
Achillea millefolium
Native Perennial
Sunflower Family



Douglas/Salt Marsh Baccharis
Baccharis douglasii
Native Perennial
Sunflower Family



California Everlasting
Gnaphalium californicum
Native Biennial
Sunflower Family



Wild Heliotrope Phacelia
Phacelia distans
Native Annual
Waterleaf Family



Common Fiddleneck
Amsinckia menziesii var. *intermedia*
Native Annual
Borage Family



Sweet Fennel
Foeniculum vulgare
Introduced Perennial
Carrot Family



Caraway-leaf Biscuit Root
Lomatium caruifolium var. *caruifolium*
Native Perennial
Carrot Family



Pacific Woodland Sanicle
Sanicula crassicaulis
Native Perennial
Carrot Family



Black Mustard
Brassica nigra
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



Yellow Field Mustard
Brassica rapa
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



Bermuda Buttercup
Oxalis pes-caprae
Introduced Perennial
Oxalis Family



California Lotus
Lotus wrangelianus
Native Annual
Pea Family



Yellow Bush Lupine
Lupinus arboreus
Native Perennial
Pea Family



California Bur Clover
Medicago polymorpha
Introduced Annual
Pea Family



Sour Clover
Melilotus indica
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Pea Family



Brass Buttons
Cotula coronopifolia
Introduced Perennial
Sunflower Family



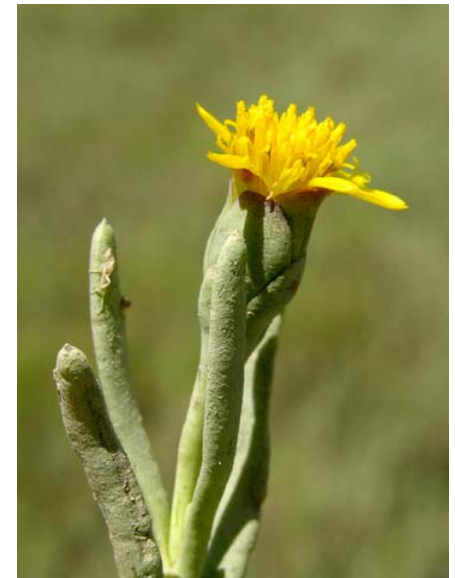
Seaside Woolly Sunflower
Eriophyllum staechadifolium
Native Perennial
Sunflower Family



Narrowleaf Pacific Gumplant
Grindelia stricta var. *angustifolia*
Native Perennial
Sunflower Family



Rough Cat's-ear
Hypochaeris radicata
Introduced Perennial
Sunflower Family



Fleshy Jaumea
Jaumea carnosa
Native Perennial
Sunflower Family



Bristly Ox-tongue
Picris echioides
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Sunflower Family



Common Groundsel
Senecio vulgaris
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Prickly Sow Thistle
Sonchus asper ssp. asper
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Common Sow Thistle
Sonchus oleraceus
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Narrow-leaf Mule's Ear
Wyethia angustifolia
Native Perennial
Sunflower Family



Johnny-Jump-Up / Wild Pansy
Viola pedunculata
Native Perennial
Violet Family



Rattlesnake Weed
Daucus pusillus
Native Annual
Carrot Family



Purple Sanicle
Sanicula bipinnatifida
Native Perennial
Carrot Family



Sea Fig
Carpobrotus chilensis
Introduced Perennial
Fig-Marigold Family



Red-stem Filaree
Erodium cicutarium
Introduced Annual
Geranium Family



White-stem Filaree
Erodium moschatum
Introduced Annual
Geranium Family



Purpletip Cut-leaf Geranium
Geranium dissectum
Introduced Annual
Geranium Family



Hairy Dove's Foot Geranium
Geranium molle
Introduced Annual
Geranium Family



Bull Mallow
Malva nicaeensis
Introduced Annual
Mallow Family



Common Coyotemint
Monardella villosa ssp. *villosa*
Native Perennial
Mint Family



Common Rigid Hedge Nettle
Stachys ajugoides var. *rigida*
Native Perennial
Mint Family



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



Tomcat Clover
Trifolium willdenovii
Native Annual
Pea Family



California Wild Rose
Rosa californica
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Italian Thistle
Carduus pycnocephalus
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Bull Thistle
Cirsium vulgare
Introduced Biennial
Sunflower Family



Cardoon / Artichoke Thistle
Cynara cardunculus
Introduced Perennial
Sunflower Family



California / Rock Phacelia
Phacelia californica
Native Perennial
Waterleaf Family



Blue-eyed Grass
Sisyrinchium bellum
Native Perennial
Iris Family



Blue Dicks
Dichelostemma capitatum ssp. *capitatum*
Native Perennial
Lily Family



Black Nightshade
Solanum nigrum
Introduced Annual
Nightshade Family



Arroyo Lupine
Lupinus succulentus
Native Annual
Pea Family



California Poppy
Eschscholzia californica
Native Perennial
Poppy Family



Scarlet Pimpernel
Anagallis arvensis
Introduced Annual
Primrose Family



California Figwort
Scrophularia californica ssp. californica
Native Perennial
Snapdragon Family