



Waterbird Wildflowers

A photographic guide to
showy wildflowers of
Waterbird
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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Shepherd's Needle
Scandix pecten-veneris
Introduced Annual
Carrot 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



Alkali Mallow
Malvella leprosa
Native Perennial
Mallow Family



Field Bindweed
Convolvulus arvensis
Introduced Perennial
Morning-Glory Family



Slender Peren. Peppergrass
Lepidium latifolium
Introduced Perennial
Mustard Family



Blue Gum
Eucalyptus globulus
Introduced Perennial
Myrtle Family



Small-flower Nightshade
Solanum americanum
Native Annual-Perennial
Nightshade Family



Mouse-ear Chickweed
Cerastium glomeratum
Introduced Annual
Pink Family



Windmill Pink
Silene gallica
Introduced Annual
Pink Family



Common Chickweed
Stellaria media
Introduced Annual
Pink Family



English Plantain
Plantago lanceolata
Introduced Annual
Plantain Family



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



Oso Berry
Oemleria cerasiformis
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Valley Tassels
Castilleja attenuata
Native Annual
Snapdragon Family



Blow Wives
Achyraea mollis
Native Annual
Sunflower Family



Mayweed
Anthemis cotula
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



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



Sweet Fennel
Foeniculum vulgare
Introduced Perennial
Carrot Family



Yellow Charlock
Sinapis arvensis
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



Bermuda Buttercup
Oxalis pes-caprae
Introduced Perennial
Oxalis Family



Bird's-foot Deerweed
Lotus corniculatus
Introduced Perennial
Pea Family



California Lotus
Lotus wrangelianus
Native Annual
Pea Family



California Bur Clover
Medicago polymorpha
Introduced Annual
Pea Family



Sour Clover
Melilotus indica
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Pea Family



Large-flower Native Dandelion
Agoseris grandiflora
Native Perennial
Sunflower Family



Tocalote
Centaurea melitensis
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Yellow Star Thistle
Centaurea solstitialis
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Brass Buttons
Cotula coronopifolia
Introduced Perennial
Sunflower Family



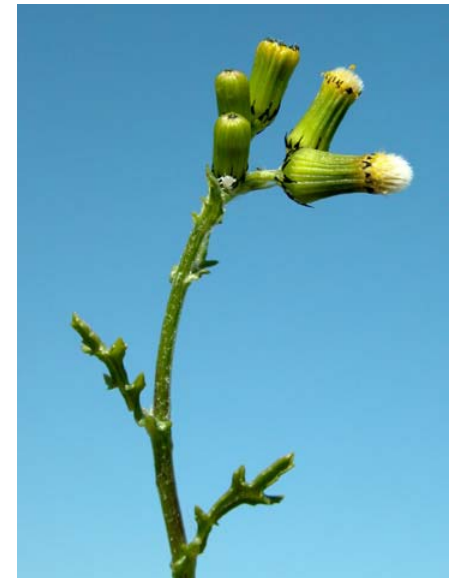
Congdon Spikeweed
Hemizonia parryi ssp. *congonii*
Native Annual
Sunflower Family



Smooth Cat's-ear
Hypochaeris glabra
Introduced Annual
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



Purple Sanicle
Sanicula bipinnatifida
Native Perennial
Carrot Family



Panicled / Weedy Willowherb
Epilobium brachycarpum
Native Annual
Evening Primrose Family



Alkali Heath
Frankenia salina
Native Perennial
Frankenia Family



Long-beaked Filaree
Erodium botrys
Introduced Annual
Geranium 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



Ithuriel's Spear
Triteleia laxa
Native Perennial
Lily Family



Wild Radish
Raphanus sativus
Introduced Annual
Mustard Family



Rose Clover
Trifolium hirtum
Introduced Annual
Pea Family



Winter Vetch
Vicia villosa ssp. varia
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Pea Family



California Wild Rose
Rosa californica
Native Perennial
Rose Family



Bellardia
Bellardia trixago
Introduced Annual
Snapdragon Family



Italian Thistle
Carduus pycnocephalus
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Purple Star Thistle
Centaurea calcitrapa
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Sunflower Family



Bull Thistle
Cirsium vulgare
Introduced Biennial
Sunflower Family



Cardoon / Artichoke Thistle
Cynara cardunculus
Introduced Perennial
Sunflower Family



Weedy Cudweed
Gnaphalium luteo-album
Introduced Annual
Sunflower Family



Milk Thistle
Silybum marianum
Introduced Annual-Biennial
Sunflower Family



Blue-eyed Grass
Sisyrinchium bellum
Native Perennial
Iris Family



Black Nightshade
Solanum nigrum
Introduced Annual
Nightshade Family



Miniature Dove Lupine
Lupinus bicolor
Native Annual
Pea Family



California Poppy
Eschscholzia californica
Native Perennial
Poppy Family



Scarlet Pimpernel
Anagallis arvensis
Introduced Annual
Primrose Family