

Use of Local Native Plant Species



Native plants of Santa Clara County for wildlife		
Botanical Name	Common Name	Associated Wildlife
<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>	Bigleaf maple	Birds, large and small mammals, amphibians, herbivores
<i>Acer negundo</i>	boxelder	Birds, small mammals, deer
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Common yarrow	Birds, deer, small mammals
<i>Adenostoma fasciculatum</i>	Chamise	Birds, small mammals, deer
<i>Aesculus californica</i>	California buckeye	Birds, hummingbirds, small mammals, deer
<i>Antirrhinum vexillocalyculatum</i>	wiry snapdragon	Hummingbirds
<i>Aquilegia formosa</i>	Western columbine	Hummingbirds
<i>Arbutus menziesii</i>	Pacific madrone	Birds, small mammals, deer
<i>Arctostaphylos crustacea</i>	brittle leaf manzanita	Birds, hummingbirds, small mammals, deer
<i>Arctostaphylos glauca</i>	bigberry manzanita	Birds, hummingbirds, small mammals and large mammals
<i>Arctostaphylos manzanita</i>	Whiteleaf manzanita	Birds, hummingbirds, large and small mammals, deer
<i>Artemisia californica</i>	California sagebrush	Birds, small mammals, deer
<i>Baccharis pilularis</i>	Coyote brush	Small mammals
<i>Baccharis salicifolia</i>	Mule fat	Birds, small mammals, large mammals
<i>Clematis ligusticifolia</i>	Western white clematis	Birds, hummingbirds, deer
<i>Cornus glabrata</i>	brown dogwood	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, amphibians
<i>Cornus sericea ssp. sericea</i>	Redosier dogwood	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, amphibians
<i>Corylus cornuta var. californica</i>	California hazelnut	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, amphibians
<i>Dudleya abramsii</i>	Abram's liveforever	Hummingbirds
<i>Dudleya cymosa</i>	canyon liverforever	Hummingbirds
<i>Epilobium brachycarpum</i>	Autumn willowweed	Hummingbirds
<i>Epilobium canum</i>	Hummingbird trumpet	Hummingbirds
<i>Epilobium densiflorum</i>	dense flowered spike primrose	Hummingbirds

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<i>Erysimum capitatum</i>	sanddune wallflower	Hummingbirds
<i>Frangula californica ssp. californica</i>	California coffeeberry	Birds, large and small mammals, deer
<i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i>	Toyon	Birds, hummingbirds, small mammals, deer
<i>Holodiscus discolor</i>	Ocean spray	Small mammals
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	Prairie junegrass	Birds, deer
<i>Lupinus albifrons</i>	Silver lupine	Hummingbirds
<i>Lupinus bicolor</i>	Miniature lupine	Hummingbirds
<i>Lupinus nanus</i>	Sky lupine	Hummingbirds
<i>Lupinus succulentus</i>	Hollowleaf annual lupine	Hummingbirds
<i>Mimulus cardinalis</i>	Scarlet monkeyflower	Hummingbirds
<i>Monardella villosa</i>	Coyote mint	Hummingbirds
<i>Nasturtium officinale</i>	watercress	birds, small mammals, large mammals
<i>Penstemon heterophyllus</i>	Bunchleaf penstemon	Hummingbirds
<i>Prunus ilicifolia</i>	Hollyleaf cherry	Birds, small mammals, deer
<i>Quercus agrifolia</i>	Coast live oak	Birds, large and small mammals, deer
<i>Quercus chrysolepis</i>	Canyon live oak	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, reptiles, amphibians
<i>Quercus douglasii</i>	blue oak	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, reptiles, amphibians
<i>Quercus durata</i>	leather oak	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, reptiles, amphibians
<i>Quercus kelloggii</i>	black oak	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, reptiles, amphibians
<i>Quercus lobata</i>	Valley oak	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, reptiles, amphibians
<i>Quercus wislizeni</i>	Interior live oak	Birds, large and small mammals, deer, reptiles, amphibians
<i>Rhamnus crocea</i>	Redberry buckthorn	Birds
<i>Ribes malvaceum</i>	Chaparral currant	Hummingbirds
<i>Ribes sanguineum</i>	Redflower currant	Hummingbirds
<i>Ribes speciosum</i>	Fuchsia flowered gooseberry	Hummingbirds

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Rosa californica	California rose	Birds
Rubus ursinus	California blackberry	Birds, small mammals, large mammals
Salvia columbariae	Chia sage	Birds
Sambucus nigra	Black elderberry	Birds, hummingbirds, small mammals, deer
Scrophularia californica	California figwort	Hummingbirds
Symphoricarpos albus	Common snowberry	Birds, small mammals, deer, herbivores
Symphoricarpos mollis	Creeping snowberry	Birds
Toxicodendron diversilobum	poison oak	Birds, Deer
Hummingbird species found in Santa Clara County		
<u>Species</u>		<u>Seasonality</u>
Anna's hummingbird (<i>Calypte anna</i>)		Year round resident
Black-chinned hummingbird (<i>Archilochus alexandri</i>)		Summer resident
Allen's hummingbird (<i>Selaphorus sasin</i>)		Summer resident
Rufous hummingbird (<i>Selaphorus rufus</i>)		Seasonal Itinerant Migrant
Calliope hummingbird (<i>Selaphorus calliope</i>)		Seasonal Itinerant Migrant
Costa's hummingbird (<i>Calypte costae</i>)		Uncommon Vagrant

Click on the wildlife value link for the plant to see a USDA Forest Service description of the plant or search here for more information from the [USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service](#)

[Click on the botanical name for more information on each plant from CalFlora](#)

Compare these to plant lists for [Santa Clara County habitats and wildlife](#)

[Click here to read the California Native Plant Society \(CNPS\) Guidelines For Landscaping To Protect Native Vegetation From Genetic Degradation](#)

Like CNPS, the Santa Clara Valley Water District strives to protect, conserve, maintain, and reestablish watershed specific native plants. If natural revegetation from surrounding areas or the native soil seed bank is inadequate, actively assist revegetation by planting seeds or plants grown from seeds, cuttings or divisions collected locally. If planting is necessary, please use plant materials collected from the project site first, adjacent or nearby sites second, and the same watershed at the same approximate elevation and slope aspect as the project site.

Please talk to your local native plant and nursery experts! The local CNPS Santa Clara Chapter's website is <http://www.cnps-scv.org/>.

[Click here for information on CDFW's California Native Plant Program](#)

For useful advice, read the [Water Resources Protection Collaborative Guidelines and Standards for Land Use Near Streams](#): A Manual of Tools, Standards, and Procedures to Protect Streams and Streamside Resource in Santa Clara County, and the [Water Resources Protection Manual](#).

Information on historic riparian habitats can be found in the San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) historical ecology reports. Look for the Santa Clara Valley and Santa Clara County at: <http://www.sfei.org/he/HE-publications>

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