

Plant Communities of San Francisco

Chaparral



Native Plants for Chaparral

Forbs

Mugwort *Artemisia douglasiana*
Brodiaea *Brodiaea elegans, terrestris*

Miner's Lettuce *Claytonia perfoliata*

Chinese Houses *Collinsia heterophylla, tinctoria*
Morning Glory *Calystegia purpurata ssp purpurata*
Soap Plant *Chlorogalum pomeridianum var divaricatum*

Common Sand Aster *Corethrogyne flaginifolia*
Hound's Tongue *Cynoglossum grande*
Fireweed/willowherb *Epilobium brachycarpum, ciliatum ssp. ciliatum, ciliatum ssp. watsonii*
Seaside Daisy *Erigeron glaucus*
Coast Buckwheat *Eriogonum latifolium*
California Poppy *Eschscholzia californica*
Cow Parsnip *Heracleum maximum*

Tidy Tips *Layia platyglossa*
Lomatium *Lomatium utriculatum*
Hummingbird Sage *Salvia spathacea*
Madia *Madia elegans, sativa*
San Francisco coyote mint *Monardella villosa franciscana*
California Phacelia *Phacelia californica, distans*
Hooker's Evening Primrose *Oenothera elata ssp. hookeri*
Chaparral Currant *Ribes malvaceum*
California bee plant *Scrophularia californica*
Wild Aster *Symphotrichum chilense*
Ithuriel's Spear *Triteleia laxa*
Narrowleaf Mule Ears *Wyethia angustifolia*

Vines

Dutchmans Pipevine *Aristolochia californica*

Pacific Pea *Lathyrus vestitus* var *vestitus*,
jepsonii
California Honeysuckle *Lonicera hispidula*

Shrubs

Manzanita *Arctostaphylos crustacea* ssp.
crustacea,
California Sagebrush/*Artemisia californica*
Coyotebrush *Baccharis pilularis* ssp
consanguinea
Coast Barberry *Berberis pinnata* ssp *pinnata*
Blueblossom *Ceanothus thyrsiflorus*
Sticky monkeyflower *Diplacus* [*Mimulus*]
aurantiacus
Silver Lupine *Lupinus albifrons* var
collinus
Rose *Rosa californica*
Spiny redberry *Rhamnus crocea*
Huckleberry *Vaccinium ovatum*

Grasses

Bentgrasses. *Agrostis exarata*
California Brome *Bromus carinatus*
Purple Needlegrass *Stipa pulchra*

Trees

California Buckeye *Aesculus californica*
Coffee Berry *Frangula californica*
Toyon *Heteromeles arbutifolia*

Resources

<http://sfplantfinder.org/index.html?community=chaparral>

“San Francisco Plants as Resources for Lepidoptera,” compiled by Jeffrey Caldwell
Butterflies of the Presidio, by Liam O’Brien and Mathew Zlatunich

“Butterflies of San Francisco,” brochure published by Nature in the City, illustrations and
inventory by Liam O’Brien

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Wax myrtle *Morella* [*Myrica*] *californica*
Hollyleaf cherry *Prunus ilicifolia*

Butterflies

Red Admiral
Lorquin's Admiral
Anise Swallowtail
Pipevine Swallowtail
Pale Tiger Swallowtail
American Lady
Painted Lady
West Coast Lady
Common Buckeye
Field Crescent
California Tortoiseshell
Red Admiral
Mourning Cloak
Variable Checkerspot
Gray Hairstreak
Coastal Green Hairstreak
California Ringlet
Acmon Blue
Mission Blue
Fiery Skipper
Common Checkered-Skipper
Echo Azure
Western Tailed-Blue
Umber Skipper
Brown Elf
Ceanothus Silkmoth

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