

NATIVE PLANT GARDENS

at the Cosumnes River Preserve

Upper Parking Lot Garden



The Visitors Center upper parking lot garden is the largest native plant garden at the Preserve with over 30 different plants blooming at different times of the year.

*Common yarrow

*Penstemon

*Douglas mugwort

*Baltic rush

*Narrow-leaved milkweed

*Field sedge

*Brodiaea

*Tufted hairgrass

*Santa Barbara sedge

*California buttercup

*California hibiscus

*Miniature lupine

*Seep monkeyflower

*Twinberry

*Gray rush

*Spicebush

*Streamside lupine

*Aster

*Golden sticky monkey flower

*Twinberry

*Red monkey flower

*Purple Needlegrass

*Coffeeberry

*California wild rose

*California blackberry

*Blue-eyed grass

*Deergrass

*California fushia

*Berkeley sedge

*Black willow

*California goldenrod

*Creeping wild rye

*Blue wild rye

*Bolander 's sunflower

*Gumplant

*Western dogwood

*Sierra bush monkeyflower

*California poppy

Butterfly Garden



The Butterfly Garden was designed to attract butterfly species by including plants that provide nectar and host plants, the place where the females will lay eggs and provide the food that the caterpillars need.

*Fernleaf yarrow

*Common yarrow

*Coyote bush

*California goldenrod

*Blue-eyed grass

*California fushia

*Narrow-leaved milkweed

*Snowberry

*Blue elderberry

*Redbud

*Baltic sedge

*Wild lilac

*Phacelia

*Deergrass

*Penstemon

*Western blue flax

*Yellow monkey flower

Staff Entrance Garden



The Staff Entrance Garden contains a variety of plants with the intent of providing a visually interesting garden for staff and others to experience to and from the office.

*Narrow-leaved milkweed

*Redtwig dogwood

*California poppy

*Douglas iris

*Golden sticky monkey flower

*Blue-eyed grass

*California fushia

*Prostrate genista

*Tufted hairgrass

*Purple needlegrass

*Coastal sagebrush

*Mexican blue sage *Prarie coneflower

*Purple sage

If you would like to volunteer your time to help out in the Native Plant Gardens, or have any questions, please contact Kathy Brown, Garden Coordinator at crpkathy@yahoo.com

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