

Descanso Gardens

Oak Woodland Plant List

The Oak Woodland is a 7.7-acre addition to the California Natives Garden at Descanso Gardens. Characterized by large oak trees and vast, rolling meadows, this space is home to many native plants – some that have existed on this property for many years and some that we have planted, in an effort to recreate what the Los Angeles Basin looked like long ago.



Common Name	Scientific Name
1 Bigleaf maple	<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>
2 Yarrow	<i>Achillea millefolium</i>
3 Chamise	<i>Adenostoma fasciculatum</i>
4 Manzanita	<i>Arctostaphylos 'Pacific Mist'</i>
5 California brome	<i>Bromus carinatus</i>
6 California sagebrush	<i>Artemisia californica</i>
7 Mugwort	<i>Artemisia douglasiana</i>
8 Coyote brush	<i>Baccharis pilularis</i>
9 Mulefat	<i>Baccharis salicifolia</i>
10 Barberry	<i>Berberis aquifolium</i>
11 Nevin's barberry	<i>Berberis nevinii</i>
12 California lilac	<i>Ceanothus 'Centennial'</i>
13 Hoary-leaved ceanothus	<i>Ceanothus crassifolius</i>
14 Mountain-mahogany	<i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i>
15 Clarkia	<i>Clarkia amoena</i>
16 Giant wild rye	<i>Leymus condensatus</i>
17 Beardless wildrye	<i>Leymus triticoides</i>
18 Coast sunflower	<i>Encelia californica</i>
19 California buckwheat	<i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i>
20 California poppy	<i>Eschscholzia californica</i>
21 California fescue	<i>Festuca californica</i>
22 Basket rush	<i>Juncus textilis</i>
23 Sunflower	<i>Helianthus annuus</i>
24 Toyon	<i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i>
25 Keckiella	<i>Keckiella cordifolia</i>
26 Humboldt lily	<i>Lilium humboldtii</i>
27 Deerweed	<i>Lotus scoparius</i>
28 Laurel sumac	<i>Malosma laurina</i>
29 California melic grass	<i>Melica imperfecta</i>
30 Sticky monkeyflower	<i>Mimulus aurantiacus</i>
31 Red monkeyflower	<i>Mimulus cardinalis</i>
32 Deergrass	<i>Muhlenbergia rigens</i>
33 Purple needlegrass	<i>Nassella pulchra</i>
34 Scarlet bugler	<i>Penstemon centranthifolius</i>
35 Penstemon	<i>Penstemon heterophyllus</i>
36 Showy penstemon	<i>Penstemon spectabilis</i>
37 Phacelia	<i>Phacelia tanacetifolia</i>
38 Sycamore	<i>Platanus racemosa</i>
39 Hollyleaf cherry	<i>Prunus ilicifolia</i>
40 Coast live oak	<i>Quercus agrifolia</i>
41 Scrub oak	<i>Quercus berberidifolia</i>
42 Engelmann oak	<i>Quercus engelmannii</i>
43 Golden currant	<i>Ribes aureum</i>
44 Gooseberry	<i>Ribes californicum</i>
45 White flowering currant	<i>Ribes indecorum</i>
46 Chaparral currant	<i>Ribes malvaceum</i>
47 Fuchsia flowering gooseberry	<i>Ribes speciosum</i>
48 Blackberry	<i>Rubus ursinus</i>
49 Red willow	<i>Salix laevigata</i>
50 Arroyo willow	<i>Salix lasiolepis</i>
51 White sage	<i>Salvia apiana</i>
52 Sage	<i>Salvia 'Bee's Bliss'</i>
53 Chia	<i>Salvia columbariae</i>
54 Black sage	<i>Salvia mellifera</i>
55 Hummingbird sage	<i>Salvia spathacea</i>
56 Sage	<i>Salvia clevelandii 'Winnifred Gilman'</i>
57 Elderberry	<i>Sambucus mexicana</i>
58 Tule	<i>Schoenoplectus acutus</i>
59 California bulrush	<i>Schoenoplectus californicus</i>
60 Blue-eyed grass	<i>Sisyrinchium bellum</i>
61 California fuchsia	<i>Zauschneria californica</i>