

**Checklist<sup>1</sup> of Vascular Flora of Red Hill Mesa  
La Panza Mountains  
San Luis Obispo County, California  
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	<b>Scientific Name</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Family</b>	<b>Rare</b>	
n	☼ <i>Achillea millefolium</i>	yarrow	ASTERACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Acmispon americanus</i> var. <i>americanus</i>	Spanish-clover	FABACEAE		v
n	<i>Acmispon brachycarpus</i>	shortpod deervetch	FABACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Acmispon glaber</i> var. <i>glaber</i>	common deerweed	FABACEAE		v
n	<i>Acmispon micranthus</i>	fishhook deervetch	FABACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Acmispon strigosus</i>	strigose deer-vetch	FABACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Acourtia microcephala</i>	sacapelote	ASTERACEAE		v

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☼ — See **Wildflowers of San Luis Obispo, California**, second edition (2018) for photograph. Most are illustrated in the first edition as well; old names for some species in square brackets.

n — California native

i — exotic species, introduced to California, naturalized or waif.

v — documented by one or more specimens (Consortium of California Herbaria record; specimen in OBI; or collection that has not yet been accessioned)

o — observed during field surveys; no voucher specimen known

R—California Rare Plant Rank

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n	<i>Agoseris heterophylla</i> var. <i>heterophylla</i>	annual mountain-dandelion	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Allium lacunosum</i> var. <i>davisiae</i>	pitted onion	ALLIACEAE		v
n	<i>Allium peninsulare</i> var. <i>peninsulare</i>	peninsular onion	ALLIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Amsinckia menziesii</i>	small-flowered fiddleneck	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Antirrhinum thompsonii</i>	bush snapdragon	PLANTAGINACEAE		v
n	<i>Aphanes occidentalis</i>	western parsley-piert	ROSACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Aphyllon purpureum</i>	Naked broomrape	OROBANCHACEAE		v
n	<i>Apiastrum angustifolium</i>	mock-celery	APIACEAE		v
n	<i>Astragalus gambelianus</i>	Gambel's milk-vetch	FABACEAE		v
n	<i>Athysanus pusillus</i>	dwarf sandweed	BRASSICACEAE		v
i	<i>Avena barbata</i>	slender wild oats	POACEAE		v
n	<i>Baccharis salicifolia</i>	mule fat, seep-willow	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Blepharizonia laxa</i>	stickyseed daisy	ASTERACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Bloomeria crocea</i> var. <i>aurea</i>	common goldenstar	THEMIDACEAE		v
n	<i>Brodiaea terrestris</i> subsp. <i>kernensis</i>	Kern brodiaea	THEMIDACEAE		v
i	<i>Bromus arenarius</i>	Australian chess	POACEAE		v
i	<i>Bromus diandrus</i>	rippgut brome	POACEAE		v
i	<i>Bromus hordeaceus</i>	soft chess brome	POACEAE		v
i	<i>Bromus rubens</i>	red brome	POACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Calandrinia menziesii</i> [ <i>Calandrinia ciliata</i> ]	red maids	MONTIACEAE		v
n	<i>Callitriche marginata</i>	California water starwort	PLANTAGINACEAE		v
n	<i>Calochortus simulans</i>	La Panza mariposa lily	LILIACEAE	1B.3	v
n	<i>Calycadenia villosa</i>	dwarf calycadenia	ASTERACEAE	1B.1	v
n	<i>Calystegia malacophylla</i> subsp. <i>pedicellata</i>	woolly morning glory	CONVOLVULACEAE		v
n	<i>Camissonia strigulosa</i>	strigose suncup	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	<i>Camissoniopsis intermedia</i>	intermediate suncup	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	<i>Camissoniopsis micrantha</i>	small-flowered suncup	ONAGRACEAE		v

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n	<i>Castilleja attenuata</i>	valley tassels, narrow-leaved owl's-clover	OROBANCHACEAE		v
n	<i>Castilleja densiflora</i> subsp. <i>densiflora</i>	dense flowered owl's-clover	OROBANCHACEAE		v
n	<i>Castilleja exserta</i> subsp. <i>exserta</i>	common owl's-clover	OROBANCHACEAE		v
n	<i>Ceanothus cuneatus</i> var. <i>cuneatus</i>	common buckbrush	RHAMNACEAE		v
i	✿ <i>Centaurea melitensis</i>	totalote, Maltese star thistle	ASTERACEAE		v
i	<i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>	annual mouse-ear chickweed	CARYOPHYLLACEAE		v
n	✿ <i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i> var. <i>betuloides</i>	birch-leaf mountain-mahogany	ROSACEAE		v
n	✿ <i>Chlorogalum pomeridianum</i> var. <i>pomeridianum</i>	common soap plant	AGAVACEAE		v
n	<i>Chorizanthe biloba</i> var. <i>biloba</i>	two-lobed spineflower	POLYGONACEAE		v
n	<i>Chorizanthe douglasii</i>	Douglas's spineflower	POLYGONACEAE	4.3	v
n	<i>Chorizanthe polygonoides</i> var. <i>polygonoides</i>	knotweed spineflower	POLYGONACEAE		v
n	<i>Chorizanthe staticoides</i>	Turkish-rugging spineflower	POLYGONACEAE		v
n	<i>Chorizanthe xanti</i> var. <i>xanti</i>	pinyon spineflower	POLYGONACEAE		v
i	✿ <i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	bull thistle	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Clarkia affinis</i>	chaparral clarkia	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	<i>Clarkia cylindrica</i> subsp. <i>cylindrica</i>	speckled clarkia	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	<i>Clarkia epilobioides</i>	little white clarkia	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	<i>Clarkia modesta</i>	narrow-petaled clarkia	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	✿ <i>Clarkia purpurea</i> subsp. <i>quadrivulnera</i>	fourspot clarkia	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	<i>Clarkia speciosa</i> subsp. <i>speciosa</i>	red-spot clarkia	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	✿ <i>Clarkia unguiculata</i>	elegant clarkia	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	<i>Claytonia exigua</i> subsp. <i>exigua</i>	pale spring beauty	MONTIACEAE		v
n	<i>Claytonia parviflora</i> subsp. <i>parviflora</i>	narrow-leaved miner's lettuce	MONTIACEAE		v

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n	☼ Claytonia perfoliata subsp. perfoliata	common miner's lettuce	MONTIACEAE		v
n	Collinsia sparsiflora var. collina	few-flowered collinsia	PLANTAGINACEAE		v
n	Crassula aquatica	water pygmyweed	CRASSULACEAE		v
n	☼ Crassula connata	common pygmyweed	CRASSULACEAE		v
i	Crassula tillaea	moss pygmyweed	CRASSULACEAE		v
n	☼ Croton setiger	turkey-mullein	EUPHORBIACEAE		v
n	☼ Cryptantha clevelandii var. florosa	coastal cryptantha	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	Cryptantha microstachys	Tejon cryptantha	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	Cryptantha muricata var. jonesii	Jones's cryptantha	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	Cuscuta californica var. californica	common chaparral dodder	CONVOLVULACEAE		v
n	Daucus pusillus	American wild carrot	APIACEAE		v
n	Delphinium gypsophilum	gypsum larkspur	RANUNCULACEAE		v
n	Delphinium parryi subsp. parryi	Parry's larkspur	RANUNCULACEAE		v
n	Deschampsia danthonioides	annual hairgrass	POACEAE		v
n	☼ Dipterostemon capitatus subsp. capitatus [Dichelostemma capitatum subsp. capitatum]	blue-dicks, schoolbells	THEMIDACEAE		v
n	Eleocharis macrostachya	common spike-rush	CYPERACEAE		v
n	☼ Emmenanthe penduliflora var. penduliflora	whispering bells	HYDROPHYLLACEAE		v
n	Epilobium densiflorum	dense-flowered spike-primrose	ONAGRACEAE		v
n	Erigeron foliosus var. foliosus	common leafy fleabane daisy	ASTERACEAE		v
n	Eriodictyon tomentosum	woolly yerba santa	NAMACEAE		v
n	Eriogonum fasciculatum var. foliolosum	leafy California buckwheat	POLYGONACEAE		v
n	Eriogonum nudum var. pubiflorum	inflated naked buckwheat	POLYGONACEAE		v
n	☼ Eriophyllum confertiflorum var. confertiflorum	common golden-yarrow	ASTERACEAE		v
i	☼ Erodium botrys	storkbill filaree	GERANIACEAE		v

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i	☼ <i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	redstem filaree	GERANIACEAE		v
i	<i>Erodium moschatum</i>	greenstem filaree	GERANIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Erythranthe guttata</i> [ <i>Mimulus guttatus</i> ]	common monkeyflower	PHRYMACEAE		v
n	<i>Erythranthe latidens</i> [ <i>Mimulus latidens</i> ]	wide-toothed monkeyflower	PHRYMACEAE		v
n	<i>Festuca microstachys</i>	three-weeks fescue, small fescue	POACEAE		v
i	<i>Festuca myuros</i>	rattail fescue	POACEAE		v
n	<i>Festuca octoflora</i>	sixweeks fescue	POACEAE		v
n	<i>Galium andrewsii</i>	prickly bedstraw	RUBIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Galium aparine</i>	cleavers, common bedstraw, goosegrass	RUBIACEAE		v
i	<i>Gastridium phleoides</i>	nitgrass	POACEAE		v
n	<i>Gilia capitata</i> subsp. <i>abrotanifolia</i>	ball gilia	POLEMONIACEAE		v
n	<i>Gilia clivorum</i>	purple-spotted gilia	POLEMONIACEAE		v
n	<i>Githopsis specularioides</i>	common bluecup	CAMPANULACEAE		v
n	<i>Hesperomecon linearis</i>	carnival poppy	PAPAVERACEAE		v
n	<i>Hooveria purpurea</i> var. <i>reducta</i>	Camatta Canyon amole	AGAVACEAE	1B.1	v
i	<i>Hordeum murinum</i> subsp. <i>leporinum</i>	mouse foxtail barley	POACEAE		v
i	☼ <i>Hypochaeris glabra</i>	smooth cat's-ear	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Isoetes nuttallii</i>	Nuttall's quillwort	ISOETACEAE		v
n	<i>Juncus luciensis</i>	Santa Lucia dwarf rush	JUNCACEAE	1B.2	v
i	☼ <i>Lactuca serriola</i>	prickly lettuce	ASTERACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Lasthenia gracilis</i>	common goldfields	ASTERACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Layia platyglossa</i>	common tidytips	ASTERACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Lepechinia calycina</i>	pitcher-sage	LAMIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Lepidium nitidum</i>	shining peppergrass	BRASSICACEAE		v

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n	<i>Lepidium strictum</i>	yellow-green peppergrass	BRASSICACEAE		v
n	<i>Leptosiphon liniflorus</i>	flax-flowered babystars	POLEMONIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Leptosiphon parviflorus</i>	common babystars	POLEMONIACEAE		v
n	<i>Leptosiphon pygmaeus</i> subsp. <i>continentalis</i>	miniature babystars	POLEMONIACEAE		v
n	<i>Linanthus bigelovii</i> subsp. <i>johnsonii</i>	small-flowered evening snow	POLEMONIACEAE		v
n	<i>Linanthus dichotomus</i> subsp. <i>dichotomus</i>	common evening snow	POLEMONIACEAE		v
n	<i>Logfia filaginoides</i>	California cotton-rose	ASTERACEAE		v
i	<i>Logfia gallica</i>	narrow-leaved herba impia	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Lomatium dasycarpum</i> subsp. <i>dasycarpum</i>	woolly-fruited biscuitroot	APIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Lomatium utriculatum</i>	spring gold biscuitroot	APIACEAE		v
n	<i>Lupinus bicolor</i>	miniature lupine	FABACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Lupinus nanus</i>	sky lupine	FABACEAE		v
n	<i>Madia exigua</i>	threadstem tarweed	ASTERACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Madia gracilis</i>	slender tarweed	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Malacothamnus jonesii</i>	Jones's bush mallow	MALVACEAE		v
n	<i>Malacothrix clevelandii</i>	Cleveland's malacothrix	ASTERACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Marah fabacea</i>	manroot, wild cucumber vine	CUCURBITACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Matricaria discoidea</i>	common pineapple-weed	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Melica californica</i>	California melic	POACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Micranthes californica</i>	California saxifrage	SAXIFRAGACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Micropus californicus</i> var. <i>californicus</i>	common cottonweed, cottontop	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Microseris acuminata</i>	Sierra foothills microseris	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Microseris douglasii</i> subsp. <i>douglasii</i>	Douglas's microseris	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Microseris elegans</i>	elegant microseris	ASTERACEAE		v

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n	Mimetanthe pilosa [Mimulus pilosus]	downy monkeyflower	PHRYMACEAE		v
n	☼ Muilla maritima	common muilla	THEMIDACEAE		v
n	Navarretia atractyloides	holly-leaf pincushion plant	POLEMONIACEAE		v
n	Nemacladus secundiflorus var. secundiflorus	large-flowered threadstem	CAMPANULACEAE	4.3	v
n	Nemophila pedunculata	dark-seeded nemophila	HYDROPHYLLACEAE		v
n	Pectocarya penicillata	short-leaf combseed	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	Pellaea andromedifolia	coffee fern	PTERIDACEAE		v
n	Pellaea mucronata var. mucronata	bird's-foot fern	PTERIDACEAE		v
n	Pentachaeta alsinoides	tiny pygmydaisy	ASTERACEAE		v
n	Pentagramma triangularis subsp. triangularis	goldback fern	PTERIDACEAE		v
n	☼ Phacelia distans	fern-leaved phacelia	HYDROPHYLLACEAE		v
n	Phoradendron villosum subsp. villosum	oak mistletoe	VISCACEAE		v
n	Pinus sabiniana	foothill pine, gray pine	PINACEAE		v
n	Plagiobothrys acanthocarpus	adobe popcorn flower	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	Plagiobothrys fulvus var. campestris	field popcorn flower	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	☼ Plagiobothrys nothofulvus	common popcorn flower, rusty popcorn flower	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	Plagiobothrys shastensis	Shasta popcorn flower	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	Plagiobothrys tenellus	slender popcorn flower	BORAGINACEAE		t
n	Plagiobothrys trachycarpus	rough-nutlet popcorn flower	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	Plantago elongata	vernal pool plantain	PLANTAGINACEAE		v
n	☼ Plantago erecta	foothill plantain	PLANTAGINACEAE		v
n	Plectritis ciliosa	long-spurred seablush	VALERIANACEAE		v
i	Poa annua	annual bluegrass	POACEAE		v
i	Poa bulbosa subsp. vivipara	bulblet bluegrass	POACEAE		v
n	Poa secunda subsp. secunda	one-sided bluegrass	POACEAE		v
n	☼ Primula clevelandi [Dodecatheon clevelandii]	Cleveland's shooting star	PRIMULACEAE		v

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n	<i>Pseudognaphalium beneolens</i>	fragrant everlasting	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Pseudognaphalium californicum</i>	California everlasting	ASTERACEAE		v
i	<i>Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum</i>	Jersey cudweed	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Psilocarphus chilensis</i>	round woollyheads	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Psilocarphus tenellus</i>	slender woollyheads	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Quercus xalvordiana</i>	Alvord oak	FAGACEAE		o
n	<i>Quercus douglasii</i>	blue oak	FAGACEAE		v
n	<i>Quercus john-tuckeri</i>	desert scrub oak, Tucker oak	FAGACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Rafinesquia californica</i>	California-chicory	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Rhamnus ilicifolia</i>	holly-leaved redberry	RHAMNACEAE		v
n	<i>Rhus aromatica</i>	skunkbush	ANACARDIACEAE		v
n	<i>Rigiopappus leptocladus</i>	rigiopappus	ASTERACEAE		v
i	☼ <i>Rumex crispus</i>	curly dock	POLYGONACEAE		v
n	<i>Sabulina californica</i> [ <i>Minuartia californica</i> ]	California sandwort	CARYOPHYLLACEAE		v
n	<i>Salix gooddingii</i>	western black willow	SALICACEAE		v
n	<i>Salix laevigata</i>	red willow	SALICACEAE		v
n	<i>Salix lasiolepis</i>	arroyo willow, California pussywillow	SALICACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Salvia columbariae</i>	chia	LAMIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Salvia mellifera</i>	black sage	LAMIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Sambucus nigra</i> subsp. <i>caerulea</i>	blue elderberry	ADOXACEAE		v
n	r? <i>Sanicula bipinnata</i>	poison sanicle	APIACEAE		v
n	<i>Sanicula bipinnatifida</i>	purple sanicle	APIACEAE		v
n	<i>Sanicula crassicaulis</i>	common sanicle	APIACEAE		v
n	<i>Scribneria bolanderi</i>	Scribner's grass	POACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Scutellaria tuberosa</i>	chaparral skullcap	LAMIACEAE		v



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n	<i>Senecio aphanactis</i>	chaparral ragwort	ASTERACEAE	2B.2	v
n	<i>Senecio flaccidus</i> var. <i>douglasii</i>	shrubby groundsel, threadleaf groundsel	ASTERACEAE		v
i	<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	common groundsel	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Solanum umbelliferum</i> var. <i>umbelliferum</i>	bluewitch nightshade	SOLANACEAE		v
i	☼ <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	common sow-thistle	ASTERACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Stebbinsoseris heterocarpa</i>	brownpuffs	ASTERACEAE		v
i	<i>Stellaria pallida</i>	lesser chickweed	CARYOPHYLLACEAE		v
n	<i>Stipa cernua</i>	nodding needlegrass	POACEAE		v
n	<i>Stylocline gnaphaloides</i>	everlasting neststraw	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Thysanocarpus curvipes</i> subsp. <i>curvipes</i>	common fringedpod	BRASSICACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Toxicodendron diversilobum</i>	poison-oak	ANACARDIACEAE		v
n	<i>Toxicoscordion brevibracteatum</i> ?	desert death camas	MELANTHIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Toxicoscordion fremontii</i>	Fremont's death-camas, star-zigadene	MELANTHIACEAE		v
n	<i>Trifolium albopurpureum</i>	dove clover	FABACEAE		v
n	<i>Trifolium gracilentum</i>	pinpoint clover	FABACEAE		v
n	<i>Trifolium macraei</i>	Macrae's clover	FABACEAE		v
n	<i>Trifolium microcephalum</i>	miniature clover	FABACEAE		v
n	<i>Triphysaria micrantha</i>	little butter and eggs	OROBANCHACEAE		v
n	<i>Turricula parryi</i>	poodle-dog bush	NAMACEAE		v
n	<i>Typha domingensis</i>	southern cattail	TYPHACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Uropappus lindleyi</i>	silverpuffs	ASTERACEAE		v
n	<i>Viola douglasii</i>	Douglas' violet, golden violet	VIOLACEAE		v
n	<i>Viola purpurea</i> subsp. <i>quercetorum</i>	foothill violet	VIOLACEAE		v
n	<i>Yabea microcarpa</i>	California hedge-parsley	APIACEAE		v

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n	☼ Zeltnera davyi	Davy's centaury	GENTIANACEAE		v