

Checklist¹ of Vascular Flora
South Hills Open Space, San Luis Obispo
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	Scientific Name	Common Name	Family	Rare	
n	☼ <i>Achillea millefolium</i>	yarrow	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Acmispon americanus</i> var. <i>americanus</i>	Spanish-clover	FABACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Acmispon glaber</i> var. <i>glaber</i>	common deerweed	FABACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Acmispon strigosus</i>	strigose deer-vetch	FABACEAE		o
n	<i>Acmispon wrangelianus</i>	California deervetch	FABACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Agoseris grandiflora</i> var. <i>grandiflora</i>	large-flowered mountain-dandelion	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Allium haematochiton</i>	red-skinned onion	ALLIACEAE		o

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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
- Rare—California Rare Plant Rank

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n	<i>Allium lacunosum</i> var. <i>lacunosum</i>	pitted onion	ALLIACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Amsinckia menziesii</i>	small-flowered fiddleneck	BORAGINACEAE		v
n	<i>Aristida adscensionis</i>	six-weeks threeawn	POACEAE		v
n	☼ <i>Artemisia californica</i>	California sagebrush	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Asclepias fascicularis</i>	narrow-leaved milkweed	APOCYNACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Astragalus curtipes</i>	Morro milk-vetch	FABACEAE		o
n	<i>Astragalus didymocarpus</i> var. <i>milesianus</i>	Miles's milk-vetch	FABACEAE	1B.2	v
n	<i>Astragalus gambelianus</i>	Gambel's milk-vetch	FABACEAE		o
n	<i>Athysanus pusillus</i>	dwarf sandweed	BRASSICACEAE		o
i	<i>Avena barbata</i>	slender wild oats	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Avena fatua</i>	common wild oats	POACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Baccharis pilularis</i>	coyote bush	ASTERACEAE		o
i	<i>Brachypodium hybridum</i>	false brome	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Brassica tournefortii</i>	Sahara mustard	BRASSICACEAE		v
n	<i>Bromus carinatus</i> var. <i>carinatus</i>	California brome	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Bromus diandrus</i>	ripgut brome	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Bromus hordeaceus</i>	soft chess brome	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Bromus rubens</i>	red brome	POACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Calandrinia menziesii</i> [<i>Calandrinia ciliata</i>]	red maids	MONTIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Calochortus clavatus</i> var. <i>clavatus</i>	club-haired mariposa lily	LILIACEAE	4.3	o
n	☼ <i>Calochortus obispoensis</i>	San Luis Obispo star-tulip	LILIACEAE	1B.2	o
n	☼ <i>Calystegia macrostegia</i> subsp. <i>cyclostegia</i>	coast morning glory	CONVOLVULACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Calystegia subacaulis</i> subsp. <i>episcopalis</i>	San Luis Obispo morning glory, Cambria morning glory	CONVOLVULACEAE	4.2	o
i	<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	shepherd's purse	BRASSICACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Cardamine californica</i>	milk maids, rain bells, California toothwort	BRASSICACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>	Italian thistle	ASTERACEAE		o
n	<i>Carex praegracilis</i>	black creeper sedge	CYPERACEAE		v
n	<i>Carex serratodens</i>	saw-toothed sedge	CYPERACEAE		v

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i	<i>Cenchrus longisetus</i>	feathertop fountaingrass	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Cenchrus setaceus</i>	purple fountaingrass	POACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i>	purple star-thistle	ASTERACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Centaurea melitensis</i>	totalote, Maltese star thistle	ASTERACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>	yellow star thistle	ASTERACEAE		o
i	<i>Chenopodium murale</i> [<i>Chenopodium murale</i>]	pigweed goosefoot	CHENOPODIACEAE		o
n	<i>Chenopodium album</i>	lamb's quarter	CHENOPODIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Chlorogalum pomeridianum</i> var. <i>pomeridianum</i>	common soap plant	AGAVACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Chorizanthe breweri</i>	Brewer's spineflower	POLYGONACEAE	1B.3	o
n	☼ <i>Chorizanthe palmeri</i>	Palmer's spineflower	POLYGONACEAE	4.2	o
n	☼ <i>Cirsium fontinale</i> var. <i>obispoense</i>	Chorro Creek bog thistle	ASTERACEAE	1B.2	o
i	☼ <i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	bull thistle	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Clarkia bottae</i>	punchbowl clarkia	ONAGRACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Claytonia perfoliata</i> subsp. <i>perfoliata</i>	common miner's lettuce	MONTIACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	bindweed, field morning glory	CONVOLVULACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Corethrogyne filaginifolia</i>	California-aster	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Crassula connata</i>	common pygmyweed	CRASSULACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Croton setiger</i>	turkey-mullein	EUPHORBIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Cryptantha clevelandii</i> var. <i>florosa</i>	coastal cryptantha	BORAGINACEAE		o
i	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	Bermuda grass	POACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Deinandra fasciculata</i>	clustered tarweed	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Delphinium parryi</i> subsp. <i>eastwoodiae</i>	Eastwood's larkspur	RANUNCULACEAE	1B.2	o
i	☼ <i>Dipsacus sativus</i>	fuller's teasel	DIPSACACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Dipterostemon capitatus</i> subsp. <i>capitatus</i> [<i>Dichelostemma capitatum</i> subsp. <i>capitatum</i>]	blue-dicks, schoolbells	THEMIDACEAE		o
n	<i>Distichlis spicata</i>	saltgrass	POACEAE		o

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n	☼ <i>Dudleya abramsii</i> subsp. <i>murina</i>	mouse-gray dudleya	CRASSULACEAE	1B.3	o
n	<i>Eleocharis macrostachya</i>	common spike-rush	CYPERACEAE		o
n	<i>Elymus condensatus</i>	giant wildrye	POACEAE		o
n	<i>Elymus multisetus</i>	big squirreltail	POACEAE		o
n	<i>Encelia californica</i>	California encelia	ASTERACEAE		w
n	☼ <i>Epilobium canum</i> subsp. <i>canum</i>	California-fuchsia	ONAGRACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Epilobium ciliatum</i> subsp. <i>ciliatum</i>	common willow-herb	ONAGRACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Eriogonum elongatum</i> var. <i>elongatum</i>	long-stem buckwheat	POLYGONACEAE		o
n	<i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i> var. <i>foliolosum</i>	leafy California buckwheat	POLYGONACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Eriophyllum confertiflorum</i> var. <i>confertiflorum</i>	common golden-yarrow	ASTERACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	redstem filaree	GERANIACEAE		o
i	<i>Erodium moschatum</i>	greenstem filaree	GERANIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Erythranthe guttata</i> [<i>Mimulus guttatus</i>]	common monkeyflower	PHRYMACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Eschscholzia californica</i>	California poppy	PAPAVERACEAE		o
i	<i>Eucalyptus globulus</i>	blue gum	MYRTACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Euphorbia spathulata</i>	warty spurge	EUPHORBIACEAE		o
i	<i>Festuca arundinacea</i>	tall fescue	POACEAE		o
n	<i>Festuca microstachys</i>	three-weeks fescue, small fescue	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Festuca perennis</i>	ryegrass	POACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	fennel	APIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Fritillaria biflora</i> var. <i>biflora</i>	chocolate lily	LILIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Galium aparine</i>	cleavers, common bedstraw, goosegrass	RUBIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Gilia achilleifolia</i> subsp. <i>achilleifolia</i>	California gilia	POLEMONIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Hazardia squarrosa</i> var. <i>squarrosa</i>	large-headed sawtooth goldenbush	ASTERACEAE		o
i	<i>Hedypnois rhagadioloides</i>	Cretweed	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Hemizonia congesta</i> subsp. <i>luzulifolia</i>	hayfield tarweed	ASTERACEAE		o

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n	<i>Hesperevax sparsiflora</i> var. <i>sparsiflora</i>	erect evax	ASTERACEAE		o
n	✿ <i>Hesperoyucca whipplei</i>	chaparral yucca	AGAVACEAE		o
n	✿ <i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i>	toyon, Christmas berry, california-holly	ROSACEAE		o
i	✿ <i>Hirschfeldia incana</i>	short-pod mustard, perennial mustard	BRASSICACEAE		o
n	<i>Hordeum brachyantherum</i> subsp. <i>brachyantherum</i>	common meadow barley	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Hordeum murinum</i> subsp. <i>leporinum</i>	mouse foxtail barley	POACEAE		o
n	<i>Isolepis cernua</i>	nodding dwarf bulrush, California clubrush	CYPERACEAE		o
n	<i>Juncus balticus</i> subsp. <i>ater</i>	baltic rush	JUNCACEAE		?
n	<i>Juncus bufonius</i> var. <i>bufonius</i>	common toadrush	JUNCACEAE		o
n	✿ <i>Juncus phaeocephalus</i> var. <i>phaeocephalus</i>	common brown-headed rush	JUNCACEAE		o
n	<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	Junegrass	POACEAE		o
i	<i>Lactuca saligna</i>	slender lettuce	ASTERACEAE		o
i	✿ <i>Lactuca serriola</i>	prickly lettuce	ASTERACEAE		o
i	<i>Lamarckia aurea</i>	goldentop grass	POACEAE		o
n	✿ <i>Lathyrus vestitus</i> var. <i>vestitus</i>	Pacific sweet-pea	FABACEAE		o
n	✿ <i>Lepidium nitidum</i>	shining peppergrass	BRASSICACEAE		o
n	<i>Lepidium strictum</i>	yellow-green peppergrass	BRASSICACEAE		v
n	<i>Lomatium caruifolium</i> var. <i>caruifolium</i>	caraway-leaved biscuitroot	APIACEAE		o
n	<i>Lomatium dasycarpum</i> subsp. <i>dasycarpum</i>	woolly-fruited biscuitroot	APIACEAE		o
n	✿ <i>Lomatium parvifolium</i>	small-leaved biscuitroot	APIACEAE	4.2	o
n	✿ <i>Lomatium utriculatum</i>	spring gold biscuitroot	APIACEAE		v
i	✿ <i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	bird'sfoot trefoil	FABACEAE		o
n	✿ <i>Lupinus succulentus</i>	arroyo lupine	FABACEAE		o
n	<i>Lupinus truncatus</i>	chaparral lupine	FABACEAE		o
i	✿ <i>Lysimachia arvensis</i> [<i>Anagallis arvensis</i>]	scarlet pimpernel	MYRSINACEAE		o
n	✿ <i>Lythrum californicum</i>	California loosestrife	LYTHRACEAE		o

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i	<i>Malva parviflora</i>	small-flowered mallow, cheeseweed	MALVACEAE		0
i	<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>	California bur-clover	FABACEAE		0
n	<i>Melica imperfecta</i>	little melic	POACEAE		0
i	✿ <i>Melilotus indicus</i>	annual sweet-clover	FABACEAE		0
n	<i>Microseris douglasii</i> subsp. <i>tenella</i>	short scaled microseris	ASTERACEAE		0
i	✿ <i>Nicotiana glauca</i>	tree tobacco	SOLANACEAE		0
i	✿ <i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i>	Bermuda-buttercup	OXALIDACEAE		0
n	<i>Pellaea andromedifolia</i>	coffee fern	PTERIDACEAE		0
n	<i>Pentagramma triangularis</i> subsp. <i>triangularis</i>	goldback fern	PTERIDACEAE		0
n	✿ <i>Phacelia imbricata</i> subsp. <i>imbricata</i>	wide-sepaled rock phacelia	HYDROPHYLLACEAE		0
i	<i>Phalaris aquatica</i>	harding grass	POACEAE		0
i	<i>Phoenix canariensis</i>	Canary Island date palm	ARECACEAE		0
n	<i>Phyla nodiflora</i>	frogfruit	VERBENACEAE		0
n	✿ <i>Pickeringia montana</i> var. <i>montana</i>	chaparral pea	FABACEAE		0
n	✿ <i>Plantago erecta</i>	foothill plantain	PLANTAGINACEAE		0
i	✿ <i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	English plantain	PLANTAGINACEAE		0
n	✿ <i>Platystemon californicus</i>	cream cups	PAPAVERACEAE		0
n	<i>Poa secunda</i> subsp. <i>secunda</i>	one-sided bluegrass	POACEAE		0
i	<i>Polycarpon tetraphyllum</i>	four-leaved allseed	CARYOPHYLLACEAE		0
i	<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	common knotweed	POLYGONACEAE		0
n	<i>Polypodium californicum</i>	California polypody	POLYPODIACEAE		0
i	<i>Polypogon monspeliensis</i>	rabbitfoot grass	POACEAE		0
n	<i>Primula clevelandii</i> var. <i>patulum</i> [<i>Dodecatheon clevelandii</i> subsp. <i>patulum</i>]	Cleveland's shooting star	PRIMULACEAE		0
n	✿ <i>Pseudognaphalium californicum</i>	California everlasting	ASTERACEAE		0
i	<i>Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum</i>	Jersey cudweed	ASTERACEAE		0
n	<i>Pterostegia drymarioides</i>	notchleaf	POLYGONACEAE		0
i	<i>Pyracantha koidzumii</i>	Taiwan firethorn	ROSACEAE		0
n	<i>Quercus agrifolia</i> var. <i>agrifolia</i>	coast live oak	FAGACEAE		0

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n	☼ <i>Ranunculus californicus</i>	California buttercup	RANUNCULACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Raphanus sativus</i>	wild radish	BRASSICACEAE		o
i	<i>Rubus armeniacus</i>	Himalayan blackberry	ROSACEAE		o
i	<i>Rumex conglomeratus</i>	knotted dock	POLYGONACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Rumex crispus</i>	curly dock	POLYGONACEAE		o
i	<i>Rumex kernerii</i>	Kerner's dock	POLYGONACEAE		o
i	<i>Rumex pulcher</i>	fiddle dock	POLYGONACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Salvia columbariae</i>	chia	LAMIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Sanicula arguta</i>	sharp-toothed sanicle	APIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Sanicula maritima</i>	adobe sanicle	APIACEAE	1B.1	v
i	<i>Schinus molle</i>	Peruvian pepper-tree	ANACARDIACEAE		o
n	<i>Schoenoplectus pungens</i> var. <i>longispicatus</i>	common three-square bulrush	CYPERACEAE		o
n	<i>Selaginella bigelovii</i>	Bigelow's spike-moss	SELAGINELLACEAE		o
i	<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	common groundsel	ASTERACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Sidalcea malviflora</i> subsp. <i>laciniata</i>	geranium-leaved checkerbloom	MALVACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Silene gallica</i>	windmill pink	CARYOPHYLLACEAE		o
i	<i>Sonchus asper</i> subsp. <i>asper</i>	prickly sow-thistle	ASTERACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	common sow-thistle	ASTERACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Spergularia rubra</i>	common sand-spurrey, red sand-spurrey	CARYOPHYLLACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Stachys ajugoides</i>	bugle hedge-nettle	LAMIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Stachys bullata</i>	coast hedge-nettle	LAMIACEAE		o
n	<i>Stellaria nitens</i>	shining chickweed	CARYOPHYLLACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Stephanomeria cichoriacea</i>	silver rock-lettuce	ASTERACEAE		o
n	<i>Stephanomeria exigua</i> subsp. <i>carotifera</i>	Hoover's wire-lettuce	ASTERACEAE		o
n	<i>Stephanomeria virgata</i> subsp. <i>pleurocarpa</i>	wand-stem wire-lettuce	ASTERACEAE		o
n	<i>Stipa lepida</i>	foothill needlegrass	POACEAE		o
n	<i>Stipa pulchra</i>	purple needlegrass	POACEAE		o

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n	☼ <i>Streptanthus glandulosus</i> subsp. <i>glandulosus</i>	beautiful jewel-flower	BRASSICACEAE		o
n	<i>Streptanthus lasiophyllus</i>	California mustard	BRASSICACEAE		o
i	<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	dandelion	ASTERACEAE		o
n	<i>Thysanocarpus curvipes</i> subsp. <i>curvipes</i>	common fringedpod	BRASSICACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Toxicodendron diversilobum</i>	poison-oak	ANACARDIACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Toxicoscordion fremontii</i>	Fremont's death-camas, star-zigadene	MELANTHIACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Tragopogon porrifolius</i>	salsify, purple goat's-beard	ASTERACEAE		o
i	<i>Trifolium fragiferum</i>	strawberry clover	FABACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Verbena lasiostachys</i> var. <i>lasiostachys</i>	western vervain	VERBENACEAE		o
i	☼ <i>Vicia sativa</i> subsp. <i>sativa</i>	common vetch	FABACEAE		v
i	☼ <i>Vicia villosa</i> subsp. <i>varia</i>	narrow-leaved vetch	FABACEAE		o
n	☼ <i>Viola pedunculata</i>	Johnny jump-up, wild pansy	VIOLACEAE		o
n	<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	cocklebur	ASTERACEAE		o