

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY RIPARIAN (STREAMSIDE) WORDSEARCH

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CAN YOU FIND THESE WILDFLOWERS?

ALDER
ARROYO WILLOW
BIG LEAF MAPLE
BIRDS FOOT FERN
BLACKBERRY
CATTAIL
COTTONWOOD
CURRANT
FERN
HUMBOLDT LILY
HUMMINGBIRD SAGE
LIVE FOREVER
MEADOW RUE

MUGWORT
MULEFAT
RED WILLOW
REED
RUSH
SILKTASSEL
SWEET PEA
SYCAMORE
VIRGINS BOWER
WILD GRAPE
WOOD ROSE
YERBA MANSA

RIPARIAN (STREAMSIDE)

Riparian means streamside. Riparian and pond plant communities are found anywhere there are streams flowing year-round, streams that only flow when the rains are heavy, springs, seeps or ponds.

Trees are tall and often are winter deciduous (shed their leaves in winter) like sycamores and cottonwoods. Coast live oaks will grow in damp shady canyons on slopes above the flowing canyon streams.

Shrubs such as roses, blackberries, currants, mulefat, and the six-foot humboldt lilies enjoy the extra water.

There are native cattails, rushes, reeds and many ferns.

Watch out if you go hiking in these plant communities! Poison oak grows very well here and in the cooler, moister, shaded chaparral environments. Poison oak often climbs into the canopies of neighboring shrubs and trees so be careful when you walk under leafy boughs. Leaves three, let it be!

Here are some native plants found in riparian plant communities:

TREES

Alder
Big leaf maple
Cottonwood
Red willow
Sycamore

SHRUBS

Arroyo willow
Golden currant
Mulefat
Blackberry
Silktassel
Wood rose
Cattail

SUCCULENTS

Chalk live forever
Lance-leaved live forever

PERENNIALS

Hummingbird sage
Meadow rue
Mugwort
Reed
Rush
Yerba mansa

VINES

Virgin's bower
Wild grape
Wild sweet pea

FERNS

Bird's foot fern
Bracken fern
California polypody
Chain fern
Goldback fern