

					Frances Dahlquist's Plant List	A Great Resource: California Native Plant Link Exchange (www.cnplx.info) - will allow you to search for plants from Contra Costa County			
					Apr-11				
					Pittsburg, CA				
	Front Yard Plants								
ID	Life Form	Special Love?	Plant Family	Latin Name	Common Name	Health Status	Contra Costa County native?	How Easy?	Notes
1	Shrub		Ericaceae	Arctostaphylos hybrid from Las Pilitas (densiflora x pungens)	Ian Bush manzanita	Thriving	both parents yes	very easy	This was a naturally occurring hybrid at the nursery
2	Shrub		Asteraceae	Artemisia californica	california sagebrush	Thriving	Yes	very easy	This is a key species in the coastal scrub plant community in which we live
3	Perennial		Asclepidaceae	Asclepias fascicularis	narrow leaf milkweed	Thriving	yes	pretty easy	Host plant for Monarch butterfly; reseeds
4	Perennial		Liliaceae	Chlorogalum pomeridianum	soap plant	Thriving	yes	easy	blooms at dusk each night
5	Shrub	yes!	Asteraceae	Chrysothamnus nauseosus	common rabbitbrush	Thriving	yes	very easy	

6	Perennial		Asteraceae	Corethrogyne filaginifolia	common sandaster	Thriving	yes	very easy	
7	Perennial		Liliaceae	Dichelostemma capitatum	blue dicks	doing ok	yes	very easy	Just put in ground after 3 years in 4 inch pot with no water!
8	Shrub		Asteraceae	Ericameria arborscens	golden fleece	Thriving	Yes	easy	This plant has the neatest structure, arms with flowers at the end
9	Annual		Papaveraceae	Eschscholzia californica	California poppy	Thriving	yes	very easy	Bumble bees love me!
10	Grass		Poaceae	Festuca idahoensis	blue fescue	Thriving	yes		needs supplemental water
11	Annual		Polemoniaceae	Gilia achilleifolia	California gilia	Thriving	yes	easy	
12	Annual		Polemoniaceae	Gilia captitata	blue field gilia	Thriving	yes		
13	Annual		Polemoniaceae	Gilia tricolor	Bird's eye Gilia	Just a baby	yes	easy	
14	Perennial		Asteraceae	Grindelia camporum	Great Valley gumweed	Doing ok	yes	very easy	Hard prune will kill
15	Shrub		Cistaceae	Helianthemum scoparium	common rock rose	Doing fine	yes		This is a very small shrub
16	Perennial		Asteraceae	Helianthus sp	sunflower	Thriving	yes		
17	Annual	yes!	Asteraceae	Layia platyglossa	tidy tips	Thriving	yes		Needs slug protection during wet months
18	Annual		Polemoniaceae	Leptosiphon androsaceus (2)	false babystars	Slugs are trying me	yes	easy	Needs slug protection during wet months
19	Annual		Polemoniaceae	Linanthus grandiflorus (2)	largeflower linanthus	Doing ok	yes	easy	Slugs don't bother me much
20	Shrub	yes!	Fabaceae	Lupinus albifrons	silver bush lupine	Started new baby in different place	yes	A little difficult	Gorgeous blue flowers. If you have trouble getting it to live, try it in a few different spots
21	Annual		Asteraceae	Madia elegans	common madia	Looks good	yes		Needs slug protection during wet months
22	Perennial		Scrophulariaceae	Mimulus aurantiacus	sticky monkey flower	Seems to be doing ok	yes	I've killed 2	Summer water kills
23	Perennial	yes!	Lamiaceae	Monardella villosa (2)	coyote mint	Thriving	yes		One of my favorite plants - beautiful fluffy purple flowers
24	Grass		Poaceae	Muhlenbergia rigens	deergrass	Thriving	no but central valley		
25	Grass		Poaceae	Nassella pulchra	purple needle	Thriving	yes	very	lots of babies!

					grass			easy	
26	Annual		Hydrophyllaceae	Nemophila menziesii	baby blue eyes	Slugs are trying me	yes		Needs slug protection during wet months
27	Perennial	yes!	Scrophulariaceae	Penstemon centranthifolius	scarlet bugler	Thriving	yes	very easy	Tough, gorgeous plant with hot pink tubular flowers in spring
28	Perennial	yes!	Scrophulariaceae	Penstemon heterophyllus (2)	foothill penstemon	Thriving	yes	very easy	Gorgeous blue tubular flowers
29	Annual	yes!	Papaveraceae	Platystemon californicus (2)	cream cups	Thriving	yes	easy	Slugs don't bother me
30	Shrub	yes!	Anacardiaceae	Rhus trilobata	squawbush	Thriving	yes	very easy	Has red berries
31	Shrub	yes!	Grossulariaceae	Ribes indecorum	white chaparral currant	Thriving	no, but social	very easy	I bloom Dec-Feb - Bumble bees love me!
32	Shrub	yes!	Lamiaceae	Salvia mellifera	black sage	Thriving	yes	very easy	Bees/bumble bees love me! Crush a leaf and sniff
33	Perennial		Crassulaceae	Sedum spathulifolium	yellow stonecrop	Doing well	yes		
34	Perennial	yes!	Solanaceae	Solanum umbelliferum	bluewitch nightshade	Thriving	yes	very easy	Bumble bees love me!
35	Annual		Papaveraceae	Stylomecon heterophylla	wind poppy	Doing well	yes		Needs slug protection during wet months
36	Perennial		Asteraceae	Wyethia angustifolia	narrow-leaved mule ears	Going to bloom this year!	yes		goes dormant in summer
37	Shrub	yes!	Onagraceae	Zauschneria cana (Epilobium canum)	California fuschia	Thriving	yes	very easy	reseeds, has hot pink flowers summer thru Nov. Fantastic fall color!
38	Shrub			Buddleja x weyeriana 'Honeycomb'	yellow butterfly bush		Not a CA native		
39	Perennial			Marrubium rotundifolium	silver edged horehound		Not a CA native		
40	Perennial			Salvia 'Raspberry Delight'	Raspberry Delight hybrid bush sage		Not a CA native		
41	Perennial		Lamiaceae	Salvia chamaedryoides	blue chichuahuan sage		Not a CA native		
42	Tree			Acacia stenophylla	shoestring acacia		Not a CA native		Going to remove and replace with native (desert willow)

North Side Yard Plants									
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43	Shrub		Asteraceae	Baccharis pilularis	coyote brush	Thriving	yes	very easy	
44	Shrub		Asteraceae	Brickellia californica	California brickelbush	Doing ok	yes		Nice smell in summer
45	Bulb		Liliaceae	Calochortus venustus	butterfly mariposa lily	Looks good			Needs slug protection
46	Succulent	yes!	Rosaceae	Dudleya farinosa in container		Thriving	yes	very easy	Mine is in complete shade
47	Annual	yes!	Polemoniaceae	Gilia capitata	blue field gilia	Thriving	yes		lots of babies!
48	Shrub		Rosaceae	Heteromeles arbutifolia	toyon	Thriving	yes	very easy	has berries
49	Shrub		Scrophulariaceae	Keckiella corymbosa	red beardtongue	Seems like its doing ok	yes		
50	Annual		Asteraceae	Madia elegans	common madia	Looks good	yes		Needs slug protection
51	Shrub	yes!	Rosaceae	Oemleria cerasiformis	oso berry	Looks good	yes		Shade & water, has berries
52	Shrub		Rosaceae	Prunus virginiana var. demissa	western choke cherry	Doing ok but could use more shade	yes		needs supplemental water, has cherries!
53	Annual		Papaveraceae	Stylomecon heterophylla	wind poppy	Doing well	yes		Needs slug protection
South Side Yard Plants									
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54	Shrub		Asteraceae	Brickellia californica	California brickelbush	Doing ok	yes	easy	Nice smell in summer

55	Tree	yes!	Bignoniaceae	Chilopsis linearis (2)	desert willow	Thriving	no, social mostly	very easy	Gorgeous pink tubular flowers all season
56	Perennial	yes!	Asteraceae	Corethrogyne filaginifolia	common sandaster	Thriving	yes	very easy	
57	Annual	yes!	Polemoniaceae	Gilia tricolor	Bird's eye Gilia	Just a baby	yes	easy	
58	Annual	yes!	Asteraceae	Layia platyglossa	tidy tips	Thriving	yes		Needs slug protection during wet months
59	Annual		Polemoniaceae	Leptosiphon androsaceus (2)	false babystars	Slugs are trying me	yes	easy	Needs slug protection during wet months
60	Grass		Poaceae	Nassella cernua	nodding needlegrass	Thriving	yes	very easy	
61	Perennial	yes!	Scrophulariaceae	Penstemon heterophyllus	foothill penstemon	Thriving	yes	very easy	
62	Shrub		Grossulariaceae	Ribes malvaceum	chaparral currant	Just a baby	yes		Needs a bit of shade in hot areas like mine