

Barbara Thompson's plant list

area "one"

large coast live oak. Under it is little, all drought tolerant. Hoping the coffeeberries do well, some snowberry mollis. Am planning some dry shade grasses, if the seeds grow.

Near this is another shade area, kept less dry. It has several shrubs, including an indigenous pink flowering currant, and some carpenteria, indigenous lady ferns, and osoberry, ninebark, hybrid mock orange.

And with these two areas is a small area right by the main bridge which has a twinberry, baby blue elderberry, cow parsnip.

area "two"

The sunny area in front of the house I call a meadow. It is for wildflowers, but is getting more and more perennials. The wildflowers will be the local clarkia and whatever comes up. It has a mellica ca., some neisella's, buckwheat, hopefully the yompa and milkweed will do well, and others.

area "three"

To the right side of the house as you face it are two huge redwoods (with two more in back). Perhaps you have seen larger, but I live under these. Under the redwoods is less shade than one might think, and the area is undergoing some transition. Am trying to get three native vines types to grow up the dead tea trunk. Always hoping to attract the pipevine swallowtail butterfly. Also much hope for the blue elderberries and the native azalea. Lots of little plants, coral bells, native iris hybrids, fat and skinny soloman's seal, lilly. There is a holodiscus back by the house.

area "four"

Behind the garage is a self maintaing wet shade area--not that much water. ginger, currants, pretty simple.

area "five"

Quaking aspens, with three 30 gal ponds underneath. For pacific chorus tree frogs.

Lots of undergrowth for the frogs. Meadowfoam annuals, more lady fern, sword fern, snowberry, some sedge.

area "six"

Rose garden. Not native, but is old garden roses. Kept with underplantings to make for a healthier bug enviounment, and nicer.

area "seven"

The creek goes along the long edge of this pie shaped property. The creek itself is planted. Partly with local native water plants, not in commerce, and some not local natives. Included are the native veronica, water primrose, smartweed, some berkeley sedges, local juncus, and two kinds of scirpis. And of course, some others--it is entirely planted native.

area "eight"

The parking strip is planted. It is supposed to be what would have been here a hundred years ago. I am coming to believe that would be more sedge-like, rather than grass-like, which was my original guess.