

Plant List for Christine Erskine, Oakland (as of 7/05)

Native Plants

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	INFORMATION
Yarrow	<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Full sun, little water, attracts butterflies
Columbine (giant flowers)	<i>Aquilegia sp.</i>	Full sun to light shade, regular water, bloom in spring and early summer
Wild ginger	<i>Asarum caudatum</i>	Partial to full shade, regular water, evergreen, ground cover
Narrow-leaved milkweed	<i>Asclepias fascicularis</i>	Full sun, poisonous, perennial
Aster	<i>Aster chilensis</i>	Full sun, regular water, perennial, light blue flowers
Monch' Aster (mother)	<i>Aster frikartii</i>	Full sun, regular water, perennial, lilac flowers
Spice bush	<i>Calycanthus occidentalis</i>	Sun or shade, regular water, brownish-red flowers, deciduous shrub
Wild lilac	<i>Ceanothus sp.</i>	Full sun, little water, blue flowers bloom in spring
Redtrig dogwood	<i>Cornus sericea 'Tilden Park'</i>	Full sun to light shade, deciduous shrub, spreads, white flowers
Tufted hair grass	<i>Deschampsia cespitosa</i>	Full sun to part shade, regular water, evergreen
Seaside daisy	<i>Erigeron glaucus (Asteraceae)</i>	Lavender flowers, from coastal areas with sand dunes
California poppy	<i>Eschscholzia californica</i>	Full sun, little water, annual, blooms from spring to summer
California fescue	<i>Festuca californica</i>	Sun to shade, blue-gray leaves, summer flowers
Island bush snapdragon	<i>Galvezia speciosa</i>	Light shade, no irrigation, scarlet, tubular flowers bloom in midspring
Coral bells	<i>Heuchera micrantha</i>	Light shade, regular water
Pacific coast iris	<i>Iris douglasiana</i>	Sun to light shade, moderate water, purple flowers
Keckiella	<i>Keckiella corymbosa</i>	Full sun to part sun, little to regular water, tubular red flowers
tree mallow	<i>Lavatera assurgentiflora</i>	Full sun, moderate water, pinkish purple flowers, blooms spring to summer, native to Channel Islands

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Perennial blue flax	<i>Linum perenne</i>	Full sun, moderate water, blue flowers in late spring to summer
Lupine	<i>Lupinus albifrons</i>	Full sun, evergreen shrub
Melic grass	<i>Melica imperfecta</i>	Found in wide range of habitats, drought tolerant
Sticky monkey flower	<i>Mimulus aurantiacus</i>	Full sun to part shade, little water, orange flowers, perennial, spreading
Foothill needle grass	<i>Nassella lepida (Sobrante Ridge)</i>	Full sun, little water
"Sour grapes" Penstemon	<i>Penstemon cobaea</i>	Full sun, purple flowers bloom in summer to early fall
Firebird' penstemon	<i>Penstemon gloxinoides 'Firebird'</i>	Full sun, red flowers bloom in summer to early fall
Yampah	<i>Perideridia sp.</i>	Perennial herb, streambanks, meadows, flowers in summer
Coffeeberry	<i>Rhamnus californica 'Eve Case'</i>	Full sun to part shade, evergreen shrub, no to regular water
Cleveland Sage/ California Blue Sage	<i>Salvia clevelandii 'Aromas'</i>	Full sun, regular water, evergreen shrub, dark blue flowers bloom in early summer
Yerba buena	<i>Satureja douglasii</i>	Prefers part shade, regular water, lavender flowers bloom in spring and summer, smells like mint when touched
Blue-eyed grass	<i>Sisyrinchium bellum</i>	Full sun to light shade, moderate water, perennial, purplish flower
Yellow-eyed grass	<i>Sisyrinchium californicum</i>	Full sun to light shade, moderate water, perennial, yellow flower
Woolly blue curls	<i>Trichosterna lanatum</i>	Full sun, no irrigation, blue flowers in summer and early fall
Inside-out flower	<i>Vancouveria hexandra, Vancouveria planipetala</i>	Partial shade, moderate water, perennial, groundcover
California fuchsia	<i>Zauschneria (Epilobium)</i>	Full sun, little water, red tubular flowers bloom in late summer to fall

Food Plants (fruit/herbs)

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	INFORMATION
apple tree		fruit
blueberry		fruit
chives		herb
French tarragon		herb
lavender		herb
mint		herb
oregano		herb
pear tree		fruit
raspberry		fruit
sage		herb
strawberry		fruit
thyme		herb

Other Plants

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anemone	<i>Anemone japonica?</i>	Sun to shade, regular water, white flowers, tall
Australian violet		Groundcover in shade
barberry	<i>Berberis sp.</i>	Full sun, moderate water
breath of heaven	<i>Coleonema pulchrum</i>	Full to part sun, moderate water, native to S. Africa
chim chiminee	<i>Rudbeckia</i>	Full sun, moderate water, perennial, yellow flowers, attracts butterflies

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chrysanthemum	<i>Chrysanthemum sp.</i>	Full sun, reg. water, orange flowers in fall
cream pincushion flower	<i>Scabiosa ochroleuca</i>	Full sun, moderate water, short lived perennial, blooms midsummer
desert blaze/autumn sage	<i>Salvia greggi</i>	Full to part sun, variegated foliage, red flowers, attracts butterflies/birds, blooms spring to fall
purple coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Full sun, moderate water, blooms in summer, native to North America
Eastern redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Full sun to light shade, moderate water, deciduous tree, pink flowers
fountain grass	<i>Pennisetium sp.</i>	Full to part sun, moderate water, blooms in summer, from Asia
freesia	<i>Freesia sp.</i>	Full sun, little water, bloom in spring, bulb, native to S. Africa
gladiolus		Various colors, summer bloom, bulb
geranium		Small burgundy flowers
grape hyacinth	<i>Muscari armeniacum</i>	Full to part sun, reg. water, blooms in early spring, flowers look like grapes, bulb, native to Med. and Asia
Japanese silver grass	<i>Miscanthus sinensis</i>	Full sun, moderate water, leaves turn color in fall, native to Japan
lantana	<i>Lantana sp.</i>	Full sun, moderate water, blooms in summer, attracts butterflies, bees
Lochinch' butterfly bush	<i>Buddleia x 'Lochinch'</i>	Full sun to lt. shade, mod. water, deciduous, light lavender blue flowers in mid-summer, silvery, woolly foliage
Mexican bush marigold	<i>Tagetes lemmonii</i>	Yellow-orange flowers, scented
Mexican bush sage (dwarf)	<i>Salvia leucantha</i>	Full sun, moderate water, velvety purple flowers in fall to spring, sprawls
New Zealand tea tree	<i>Leptospermum scoparium</i>	Full sun, little water, blooms late winter to early spring
blue pincushion flower	<i>Scabiosa ochroleuca</i>	Full sun, moderate water, short lived perennial, blooms spring to fall
Poeticus - Green Pearl	<i>Daffodils</i>	White with a green center, bulb

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red bunny tails grass	<i>Pennisetum messiacum</i>	Purple flowers are as soft as a bunny's tail
roses		White flowers, climbing
Russian sage	<i>Perovskia atriplicifolia</i>	Blue flowers
sage	<i>Salvia guaranitica</i> (S. <i>ambigens</i>)	Full sun, moderate water, mint colored leaves, cobalt blue blossoms, blooms summer to fall, native to S. America
sage	<i>Salvia microphylla</i>	Full sun, moderate water, magenta blossoms, blooms summer to fall, native to S. Arizona to Mexico
Santa Barbara daisy (dwarf)	<i>Erigeron karvinskianus</i>	Full sun, reg. water, white flowers, native to Mexico
sea pink, thrift	<i>Armeria alliacea</i>	Full sun, little water, blooms spring to summer, from Europe
sea (tree) mallow	<i>Lavatera maritima</i>	Full sun, regular water, blooms summer, whitish pink flowers
single late; Cum Laude	<i>Tulips</i>	Purple tulip, bulb
sneezeweed	<i>Helenium 'Rubinzweg'</i>	Full sun, regular water, daisy-like flowers
statice, sea lavender	<i>Limonium perezii</i>	Full to part sun, moderate water, summer blooms, purple and white flowers, native to Mediterranean
sweet alyssum	<i>Lobularia maritima</i>	Sun to shade, regular water, white and purple flowers, trailing, native to Mediterranean
trailing mallow	<i>Malvastrum lateritium</i>	Full sun, little to reg. water, salmon pink flowers, blooms summer, native to S. America
verbena	<i>Verbena bonariensis</i> (syn. <i>V. patagonica</i>)	Perennial, tall purple flower spikes, blooms summer to winter, sun, moderate to dry water, native to S. America
coast rosemary	<i>Westringia fruticosa</i>	Full sun, moderate water, gray green leaves, small white and lavender flowers, blooms winter to spring, native to Australia
white butterfly bush	<i>Buddleia davidii 'white'</i>	Full sun to light shade, moderate water, semi-evergreen, white flowers in mid-summer