



choosing the right plants to attract pollinators and enliven your landscape inland valleys with hot summers

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what, why, and how to plant species for inland valleys with hot summers to attract pollinators and enliven your landscape

BASICS

What are Pollinators?

Bees, butterflies, birds, and other wildlife species move pollen between plants, allowing crossfertilization plants need to reproduce and grow. This process is necessary to grow food crops and ensure ecological health. Pollinator species are endangered due to loss of habitat from urbanization, pesticide/herbicide use, and other human activities.



Source: https://www.bchydro.com/energy-in-bc/operations/right-ofway-management/row-guidelines/designing-around-ROW.html

Pollinator corridors are pesticide-free paths of native plants that provide habitat and nutrients for pollinators and other small wildlife. These corridors create an opportunity for people to engage with nature in a meaningful way, and to contribute to beautiful, climate appropriate landscapes.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Xerces Society - Monarch Butterfly Resources

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DO

DO select native and flowering pollinator plant species: These plants can be incorporated into your ornamental landscape and look beautiful! For suggestions, see <u>CAP toolpage</u>.

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- DO start small: Even potted plants and narrow curb strips can provide pollinator plant habitat.
- DO talk to your neighbors about what you are doing and why - together you can create a neighborhood with pollinator corridors.
- DO go big: Planning a larger, connected corridor between your site and neighbors is more valuable to pollinators. Map out connections through your community such as along sidewalks and regional connections to parks and wild areas for greater habitat value.

DO maximize pollinator habitat: Consider layering pollinator plant species including overstory trees, understory small trees/large shrubs, shrubs, perennials, groundcovers, and vines too.

DO bee-come crafty: Solitary bee hotels and bird houses can add to your pollinator habitat.

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Source: https://www.eastbaytimes.com/2021/11/09/snapp-shotspollinators-need-help-saving-our-small-but-important-friends/

DO NOT

DO NOT use pesticides and herbicides: These harm pollinator species. Add signage to let your neighbors know too!

DO NOT remove leaves from the ground: Instead of removing in autumn and through winter, leave them behind for pollinating insects to use for their eggs and pupae.

DO NOT mow frequently: If you have a lawn, you can help pollinators by mowing less often and letting grass grow higher. Replacing some or all of the lawn with pollinator plantings is even more beneficial!

SPECIAL ATTENTION: MONARCHS



plant no milkweed within 1 mile of coast
plant no milkweed within 5 miles of coast
plant appropriate milkweed

Monarch butterfly populations are in serious danger. Let's adopt the correct planting strategy to help populations in this difficult time by referring to the map above. For more see Additional Resources: Xerces.





TREES



Aesculus californica **California Buckeye**



Cersis occidentalis Western Redbud



Chilopsis linearis **Desert Willow**

SHRUBS



Arctostaphylus ssp. Manzanita



Ceanothus ssp. **California Lilac**



Heteromeles arbutifolia Toyon

POLLINATOR **butterflies** / moths 🚩 birds 🖕 bees

SHRUBS



Carpenteria californica **Bush Anemone**



Fremontodendron californicum California Flannelbush



Rhus integrifolia Lemonade Berry



PERENNIALS



Achillea millefolium Yarrow



Asclepias fascicularis Narrow Leaf Milkweed



Eriogonum fasciculatum California Buckwheat

GROUNDCOVERS



Arctostaphylus uva-ursi Bearberry



Ceanothus griseus horizontalis **Carmel Creeper**



Eriogonum umbellatum Sulphur Buckwheat





- great for rain gardens
- erosion control

GROUNDCOVERS



Eschscholzia californica **California Poppy**



Salvia "Bee's Bliss" **Creeping Sage**



Nemophila menziesii **Baby Blue Eyes**



 \checkmark adaptable

SHRUBS



TREES

Prunus ilicifolia **Hollyleaf Cherry**



Quercus agrifolia Coast Live Oak



Quercus lobata Valley Oak



Sambucus nigra **Black Elderberry**



Epilobium canum California Fuschia



Lupinus albifrons **Silver Lupine**



SHRUBS

POLLINATOR

🚩 birds

🖕 bees

butterflies / moths

Diplacus/Mimulus longiflorus Sticky Monkeyflower



Eriophyllum confertiflorum **Golden Yarrow**



Rosa californica **California Wild Rose**



SUN/SHADE

full sun

full shade

partial sun / shade

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Linum lewisii Wild Blue Flax



Salvia spathacea Hummingbird Sage



Monardella villosa **Coyote Mint**

PERENNIALS



