

The Redbud Chapter of the California Native Plant Society

welcomes all native plant lovers! Together, we explore, discover, share, restore, and advocate for our beautiful and amazingly diverse native flora.

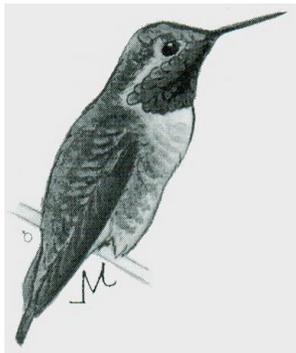
The mission of the California Native Plant Society, and the Redbud Chapter, is to increase “the understanding and appreciation of California’s native plants, and to preserve them and their natural habitats for future generations ... through science, conservation advocacy, education, and horticulture...”

Our chapter serves western Placer and Nevada Counties. Although these two counties represent only 1.5 percent of the land mass of California, over 35 percent of its vascular plants are found here. Our widely varied habitats

range from Sacramento valley grasslands, through foothills, oak woodlands, conifer forests, and mountain meadows, to the peaks of the Sierra Nevada.

As part of our mission, dedicated members of the Redbud Chapter have spent thousands of hours researching, writing, and photographing native plants to create two definitive guides covering over 700 wildflowers, shrubs and trees of Nevada and Placer Counties. In Spring, 2017, Redbud published the second edition of our 2007 Wildflowers book with additional plants, updated descriptions and photographs, and a new key to identifying plants.

We learn, teach, protect, and advocate for local plants and habitats through our field trips and our active committees on rare plants, conservation, and education. Our grants to local schools and non-profits, and scholarships to students and researchers, also advance these goals.



Anna's Hummingbird, *Calypte anna*
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Our annual “Passionate about Native Plants” lecture series presents speakers on a wide range of topics, such as horticulture (growing native plants for pollinators), science (the physics of flora), and public issues (land use policies).

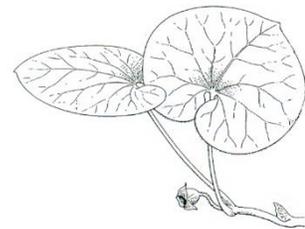
We hold a Fall Native Plant Sale featuring hundreds of varieties of locally-adapted California perennials, shrubs, trees and seeds, most native to Nevada and Placer Counties, from specialty and wholesale growers as well as plants grown by Redbud members.

We grow and exchange native seeds, bulbs, and plants in our native plant horticulture and propagation group. Our ethnobotany group explores ways in which indigenous peoples used and cultivated native plants.

If you are a native plant, wildlife, and nature enthusiast, please join us! If you have questions or would like to be more involved, contact us at nativeplanthelp@redbud-cnps.org, volunteer@redbud-cnps.org, or president@redbud-cnps.org.

For more information, see our website at www.redbud-cnps.org or our Facebook pages at <https://www.facebook.com/Redbud-Chapter-California-Native-Plant-Society> and <https://www.facebook.com/redbudplantsale/>

Wild Ginger
Asarum caudatum





Sierra Nevada Parnassian Clodius Parnassian

Redbud Publications on Gardening with Natives and Attracting Pollinators

Ideas for Gardening with California Native Plants

http://www.redbud-cnps.org/PDF/Gardening_Ideas.pdf (108 KB) (2 pages)

Lists of selected native plants for shade; fall color; attracting birds, butterflies, & beneficial insects; showy flowering shrubs; riparian habitat restoration; sunny rock gardens; foothill native grasslands/ wildflower fields/montane meadows; groundcovers; deer-resistant plants; and evergreen screening.

Landscaping with California Native Plants

http://www.redbud-cnps.org/PDF/Landscaping_with_Natives.pdf (257 KB) (2 pages)

Overview of landscape design concepts including lists of selected native plants for each concept with subcategories of tall, medium height, and low. Includes brief description of each plant.

Native Perennial Grasses, Sedges, and Rushes for Nevada and Placer County Landscapes

http://www.redbud-cnps.org/PDF/Native_Grass_handout_4pg.pdf (275 KB) (4 pages)

California was once dominated by vast native grasslands and meadows; virtually all of these beautiful plant communities and habitats have been lost. Native grasses add unique textures, colors, and striking beauty, especially in late summer as other plants wane. Includes descriptions and drawings of grasses.

Xeriscaping with Drought-Tolerant California Native Plants

<http://www.redbud-cnps.org/PDF/Xeriscaping%20with%20Natives.pdf> (179 KB) (2 pages)

Overview of xeriscape gardening, listing native plants for full sun, shade, etc. grouped by height.

Selected Fire-Resistant Native Plants for Nevada and Placer County Landscapes

<http://www.redbud-cnps.org/fire-resistant-plants.htm> (274 KB) (2 pages)

While no plants are fire-proof, this document provides lists fire-resistant local native ground covers, vines, bulbs, annuals, perennials, shrubs, and trees for gardens and landscaping.

California Native Plants that Attract Hummingbirds, Nevada & Placer County Region of Northern

Sierra Nevada <http://www.redbud-cnps.org/PDF/Hummingbird%20Plants%20short.pdf> (132 KB) (4 pages)

Overview of 4 local hummingbird species & locally native plants that attract them, in order of blooming.

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Sierra Nevada <http://www.redbud-cnps.org/PDF/Hummingbird%20Plants%20full.pdf> (1.1 MB) (12 pages)

Same list of native plants as in above handout, with description & horticultural requirements of each, alphabetically by botanical name/ family.

Hummingbirds in the Nevada and Placer County Region of the Northern Sierra Nevada

<http://www.redbud-cnps.org/PDF/Hummingbirds.pdf> (345 KB)(2 pgs) Brief description of each of 4 local species of hummingbirds & feeding habits, plus other information about hummingbirds in general.

Butterflies and Skippers—Order Lepidoptera

<http://www.redbud-cnps.org/PDF/Butterfly%20Checklist%201st%20ed.pdf>

(208 KB) (6 pages) Annotated Checklist by Family/Subfamily for Nevada & Placer Counties, listed by common/scientific name in phylogenetic (evolutionary) order, includes life history details for each species.

See also California Native Plant Society site Calscape.cnps.org Enter your location to get information about 100s of local native plants, including size, sun/shade preference, drought tolerance and specific watering requirements.