



Tryon Creek State Natural Area Checklist of Vascular Plants

Tryon Creek State Natural Area provides habitat for nearly 300 plant species, including the park’s iconic Pacific trilliums. Discover all the plants that grow in this unique second-growth forest surrounded by an urban setting. Can you spot the remnants of this once old-growth forest? Look for the distinctive western redcedar stumps as you explore the flora found here.

All species are sorted by the plant’s growth form and plant names are consistent with the USDA Plant Database. Plants within Tryon Creek State Natural Area are protected. Please don’t collect flowers or native plants.

Please note: *Asterisk denotes non-native species

HERBS & FLOWERS



Pacific trillium
(*Trillium ovatum*)

Common name	Latin name	Family
American trailplant	<i>Adenocaulon bicolor</i>	Asteraceae
American vetch	<i>Vicia americana</i>	Fabaceae
annual honesty*	<i>Lunaria annua</i>	Brassicaceae
arctic sweet coltsfoot	<i>Petasites frigidus</i> var. <i>palmatus</i>	Asteraceae
asthmaweed*	<i>Conyza bonariensis</i>	Asteraceae
big chickweed*	<i>Cerastium vulgatum</i>	Caryophyllaceae
big devils beggartick	<i>Bidens vulgata</i>	Asteraceae
bigflower tellima	<i>Tellima grandiflora</i>	Saxifragaceae
bigleaf periwinkle*	<i>Vinca major</i>	Apocynaceae
bird vetch*	<i>Vicia cracca</i>	Fabaceae
bird’s-foot trefoil*	<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Fabaceae
Bishop’s goutweed*	<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i>	Apiaceae
bitter dock*	<i>Rumex obtusifolius</i>	Polygonaceae
black medick*	<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	Fabaceae
bristly hawksbeard*	<i>Crepis setosa</i>	Asteraceae
British Columbia wildginger	<i>Asarum caudatum</i>	Aristolochiaceae
bull thistle*	<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Asteraceae
Canada thistle*	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Asteraceae
Cascade false hellebore	<i>Veratrum californicum</i>	Liliaceae
chicory*	<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	Asteraceae
claspleaf twistedstalk	<i>Streptopus amplexifolius</i>	Liliaceae
clustered dock*	<i>Rumex conglomeratus</i>	Polygonaceae
coast tarweed	<i>Madia sativa</i>	Asteraceae
coastal hedgenettle	<i>Stachys chamissonis</i>	Lamiaceae
Columbia lily	<i>Lilium columbianum</i>	Liliaceae
Columbian windflower	<i>Anemone deltoidea</i>	Ranunculaceae
common balm*	<i>Melissa officinalis</i>	Lamiaceae
common cowparsnip*	<i>Heracleum lanatum</i>	Apiaceae
common dandelion*	<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	Asteraceae
common duckweed	<i>Lemna minor</i>	Lemnaceae

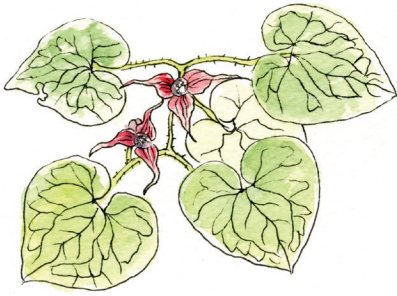
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evergreen violet
(*Viola sempervirens*)

Common name	Latin name	Family
common evening primrose	<i>Oenothera biennis</i>	Onagraceae
common mallow*	<i>Malva neglecta</i>	Malvaceae
common mullein*	<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>	Scrophulariaceae
common nipplewort*	<i>Lapsana communis</i>	Asteraceae
common plantain*	<i>Plantago major</i>	Plantaginaceae
common selfheal*	<i>Prunella vulgaris</i>	Lamiaceae
common sheep sorrel*	<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	Polygonaceae
common St. Johnswort*	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Clusiaceae
common tansy*	<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>	Asteraceae
common vetch*	<i>Vicia sativa</i>	Fabaceae
corn spurry*	<i>Spergula arvensis</i>	Caryophyllaceae
cotton-batting plant	<i>Pseudognaphalium stramineum</i>	Asteraceae
creeping buttercup*	<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	Ranunculaceae
creeping jenny*	<i>Lysimachia nummularia</i>	Primulaceae
crevice alumroot	<i>Heuchera micrantha</i>	Saxifragaceae
curled starwort	<i>Stellaria crispa</i>	Caryophyllaceae
curly dock*	<i>Rumex crispus</i>	Polygonaceae
curvepod yellowcress	<i>Rorippa curvisiliqua</i>	Brassicaceae
cut-leaved geranium*	<i>Geranium dissectum</i>	Geraniaceae
cyclamen*	<i>Cyclamen</i> spp.	Primulaceae
daffodils*	<i>Narcissus</i> spp.	Liliaceae
Deptford pink*	<i>Dianthus armeria</i>	Caryophyllaceae
disc mayweed*	<i>Matricaria discoidea</i>	Asteraceae
Douglas aster	<i>Aster subspicatus</i>	Asteraceae
dove foot geranium*	<i>Geranium molle</i>	Geraniaceae
drops-of-gold	<i>Prosartes hookeri</i> var. <i>hookeri</i>	Liliaceae
evergreen violet	<i>Viola sempervirens</i>	Violaceae
false lily of the valley	<i>Maianthemum dilatatum</i>	Liliaceae
feathery false lily of the valley	<i>Maianthemum racemosum</i>	Liliaceae
field bindweed*	<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Convolvulaceae
field horsetail	<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	Equisetaceae
field mustard*	<i>Brassica campestris</i>	Brassicaceae
field sowthistle*	<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	Asteraceae
fig buttercup*	<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	Ranunculaceae
fireweed	<i>Chamerion angustifolium</i> ssp. <i>angustifolium</i>	Onagraceae
fragrant bedstraw	<i>Galium triflorum</i>	Rubiaceae
fringed willowherb	<i>Epilobium ciliatum</i>	Onagraceae
Fuller's teasel*	<i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>	Dipsacaceae
garlic mustard*	<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	Brassicaceae
giant horsetail	<i>Equisetum telmateia</i>	Equisetaceae
ground ivy*	<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>	Lamiaceae

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British Columbia wildginger
(*Asarum caudatum*)

Common name	Latin name	Family
hairy cat's-ear*	<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	Asteraceae
herb bennet*	<i>Geum urbanum</i>	Rosaceae
hookedspur violet	<i>Viola adunca</i>	Violaceae
horseweed	<i>Conyza canadensis</i>	Asteraceae
Indianpipe	<i>Monotropa uniflora</i>	Monotropaceae
Italian lords and ladies*	<i>Arum italicum</i>	Araceae
Japanese knotweed*	<i>Fallopia japonica</i>	Polygonaceae
jewelweed	<i>Impatiens capensis</i>	Balsaminaceae
large leaved sandwort	<i>Arenaria macrophylla</i>	Caryophyllaceae
largeflower fairybells	<i>Prosartes smithii</i>	Liliaceae
largeleaf avens	<i>Geum macrophyllum</i>	Rosaceae
lawn daisy*	<i>Bellis perennis</i>	Asteraceae
lentil vetch*	<i>Vicia tetrasperma</i>	Fabaceae
lesser burdock*	<i>Arctium minus</i>	Asteraceae
lesser hawkbit*	<i>Leontodon taraxacoides</i>	Asteraceae
little western bittercress	<i>Cardamine oligosperma</i>	Brassicaceae
marsh cudweed*	<i>Gnaphalium uliginosum</i>	Asteraceae
marsh horsetail	<i>Equisetum palustre</i>	Equisetaceae
miner's lettuce	<i>Claytonia perfoliata</i>	Portulacaceae
moth mullein*	<i>Verbascum blattaria</i>	Scrophulariaceae
mountain yarrow	<i>Achillea millefolium</i> ssp. <i>lanulosa</i>	Asteraceae
muskflower	<i>Mimulus moschatus</i>	Scrophulariaceae
narrowleaf minerslettuce	<i>Montia linearis</i>	Portulacaceae
narrowleaf plantain*	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Plantaginaceae
nettleleaf goosefoot*	<i>Chenopodium murale</i>	Chenopodiaceae
nodding beggartick	<i>Bidens cernua</i>	Asteraceae
northern starflower	<i>Trientalis borealis</i> ssp. <i>latifolia</i>	Primulaceae
old-man-in-the-Spring*	<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Asteraceae
Oregon drops of gold	<i>Prosartes hookeri</i> var. <i>oregana</i>	Liliaceae
oxeye daisy*	<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>	Asteraceae
Pacific bleeding heart	<i>Dicentra formosa</i>	Fumariaceae
Pacific trillium	<i>Trillium ovatum</i>	Liliaceae
Pacific waterleaf	<i>Hydrophyllum tenuipes</i>	Hydrophyllaceae
pale bellflower	<i>Campanula scouleri</i>	Campanulaceae
paleyellow iris*	<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Iridaceae
palmate toothwort	<i>Cardamine pulcherrima</i>	Brassicaceae
perennial pea*	<i>Lathyrus latifolius</i>	Fabaceae
phantom orchid	<i>Cephalanthera austiniiae</i>	Orchidaceae
pioneer violet	<i>Viola glabella</i>	Violaceae
poison hemlock*	<i>Conium maculatum</i>	Apiaceae
prickly lettuce*	<i>Lactuca serriola</i>	Asteraceae
prostrate knotweed*	<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	Polygonaceae

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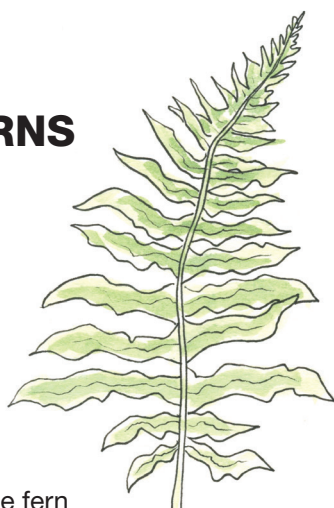
scouringrush horsetail
(*Equisetum hyemale*)

Common name	Latin name	Family
purple deadnettle*	<i>Lamium purpureum</i>	Lamiaceae
purple foxglove*	<i>Digitalis purpurea</i>	Scrophulariaceae
Queen Anne's lace*	<i>Daucus carota</i>	Apiaceae
red baneberry	<i>Actaea rubra</i>	Ranunculaceae
red clover*	<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	Fabaceae
red sand-spurry*	<i>Spergularia rubra</i>	Caryophyllaceae
redroot pigweed	<i>Amaranthus retroflexus</i>	Amaranthaceae
redstem stork's bill *	<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Geraniaceae
Robert geranium*	<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Geraniaceae
scouringrush horsetail	<i>Equisetum hyemale</i>	Equisetaceae
seaside bittercress	<i>Cardamine angulata</i>	Brassicaceae
seep monkeyflower	<i>Mimulus guttatus</i>	Scrophulariaceae
shade phacelia	<i>Phacelia nemoralis</i>	Hydrophyllaceae
shepherd's purse*	<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Brassicaceae
shining geranium*	<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	Geraniaceae
Siberian springbeauty	<i>Claytonia sibirica</i>	Portulacaceae
skunkbush	<i>Navarretia squarrosa</i>	Polemoniaceae
slightstemmed miterwort	<i>Mitella caulescens</i>	Saxifragaceae
small enchanter's nightshade	<i>Circaea alpina</i>	Onagraceae
smallflower nemophila	<i>Nemophila parviflora</i>	Hydrophyllaceae
smooth cat's-ear*	<i>Hypochaeris glabra</i>	Asteraceae
smooth hawkbeard*	<i>Crepis capillaris</i>	Asteraceae
spinyfruit buttercup*	<i>Ranunculus muricatus</i>	Ranunculaceae
spotted ladythumb*	<i>Polygonum persicaria</i>	Polygonaceae
spreading dogbane	<i>Apocynum androsaemifolium</i>	Apocynaceae
spreading hedgeparsley*	<i>Torilis arvensis</i>	Apiaceae
starry false lily of the valley	<i>Maianthemum stellatum</i>	Liliaceae
sticky chickweed*	<i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>	Caryophyllaceae
stickywilly	<i>Galium aparine</i>	Rubiaceae
stinging nettle	<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Urticaceae
stinking chamomile*	<i>Anthemis cotula</i>	Asteraceae
stinking willie*	<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>	Asteraceae
Suksdorf woodsorrel	<i>Oxalis suksdorfii</i>	Oxalidaceae
summer snowflakes*	<i>Leucojum aestivum</i>	Liliaceae
swamp smartweed	<i>Polygonum hydropiperoides</i>	Polygonaceae
sweet cicely	<i>Osmorhiza berteroi</i>	Apiaceae
tall annual willowherb	<i>Epilobium brachycarpum</i>	Onagraceae
tall blue lettuce	<i>Lactuca biennis</i>	Asteraceae
threeleaf foamflower	<i>Tiarella trifoliata</i> var. <i>trifoliata</i>	Saxifragaceae
thymeleaf speedwell*	<i>Veronica serpyllifolia</i>	Scrophulariaceae
toughleaf iris	<i>Iris tenax</i>	Iridaceae
twinflower	<i>Linnaea borealis</i>	Caprifoliaceae

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Common name	Latin name	Family
vanilla leaf	<i>Achlys triphylla</i>	Berberidaceae
wall-lettuce*	<i>Mycelis muralis</i>	Asteraceae
water parsely	<i>Oenanthe sarmentosa</i>	Apiaceae
western buttercup	<i>Ranunculus occidentalis</i>	Ranunculaceae
western columbine	<i>Aquilegia formosa</i>	Ranunculaceae
western dock	<i>Rumex aquaticus</i> var. <i>fenestratus</i>	Polygonaceae
western goldentop	<i>Euthamia occidentalis</i>	Asteraceae
western pearly everlasting	<i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i>	Asteraceae
white clover*	<i>Trifolium repens</i>	Fabaceae
white insideout flower	<i>Vancouveria hexandra</i>	Berberidaceae
woodland buttercup	<i>Ranunculus uncinatus</i>	Ranunculaceae
woodland strawberry	<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	Rosaceae
youth on age	<i>Tolmiea menziesii</i>	Saxifragaceae

FERNS



licorice fern
(*Polypodium glycyrrhiza*)

Common name	Latin name	Family
brittle bladderfern	<i>Cystopteris fragilis</i>	Dryopteridaceae
common ladyfern	<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i>	Dryopteridaceae
deer fern	<i>Blechnum spicant</i>	Polypodiaceae
leathery grapefern	<i>Botrychium multifidum</i>	Ophioglossaceae
licorice fern	<i>Polypodium glycyrrhiza</i>	Polypodiaceae
northern maidenhair fern	<i>Adiantum pedatum</i>	Pteridaceae
spreading woodfern	<i>Dryopteris expansa</i>	Dryopteridaceae
western brackenfern	<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Dennstaedtiaceae
western swordfern	<i>Polystichum munitum</i>	Dryopteridaceae

GRASSES

Common name	Latin name	Family
bamboo*	n/a	Poaceae
barnyardgrass*	<i>Echinochloa crus-galli</i>	Poaceae
bearded fescue	<i>Festuca subulata</i>	Poaceae
beardless rabbitsfoot grass*	<i>Polypogon viridis</i>	Poaceae
blue wildrye	<i>Elymus glaucus</i>	Poaceae
broadleaf cattail	<i>Typha latifolia</i>	Typhaceae
colonial bentgrass*	<i>Agrostis capillaris</i>	Poaceae
Columbia brome	<i>Bromus vulgaris</i>	Poaceae
common rush	<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Juncaceae
common velvetgrass*	<i>Holcus lanatus</i>	Poaceae

GRASSES (continued)



Common name	Latin name	Family
creeping spike-rush	<i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	Cyperaceae
European bur-reed*	<i>Sparganium emersum</i>	Sparganiaceae
field woodrush*	<i>Luzula campestris</i>	Juncaceae
fowl mannagrass	<i>Glyceria striata</i>	Poaceae
hairy crabgrass*	<i>Digitaria sanguinalis</i>	Poaceae
Henderson's sedge	<i>Carex hendersonii</i>	Cyperaceae
Kentucky bluegrass*	<i>Poa pratensis</i>	Poaceae
livid sedge	<i>Carex livida</i>	Cyperaceae
meadow sedge	<i>Carex praticola</i>	Cyperaceae
orchardgrass*	<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	Poaceae
panicled bulrush	<i>Scirpus microcarpus</i>	Cyperaceae
perennial ryegrass*	<i>Lolium perenne</i>	Poaceae
poverty rush	<i>Juncus tenuis</i>	Juncaceae
redroot flatsedge	<i>Cyperus erythrorhizos</i>	Cyperaceae
redtop*	<i>Agrostis gigantea</i>	Poaceae
reed canarygrass*	<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	Poaceae
rice cutgrass	<i>Leersia oryzoides</i>	Poaceae
shortleaf rush	<i>Juncus trilocularis</i>	Juncaceae
slender hairgrass	<i>Deschampsia elongata</i>	Poaceae
slenderbeak sedge	<i>Carex athrostachya</i>	Cyperaceae
slough sedge	<i>Carex obnupta</i>	Cyperaceae
smallflowered woodrush	<i>Luzula parviflora</i>	Juncaceae
sweet vernalgrass*	<i>Anthoxanthum odoratum</i>	Poaceae
tall fescue*	<i>Schedonorus phoenix</i>	Poaceae
taperfruit shortscale sedge	<i>Carex leptopoda</i>	Cyperaceae
toad rush	<i>Juncus bufonius</i>	Juncaceae
tufted hairgrass	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	Poaceae

SHRUBS

Common name	Latin name	Family
bride's feathers	<i>Aruncus dioicus</i>	Rosaceae
California blackberry	<i>Rubus ursinus</i>	Rosaceae
Cascade barberry	<i>Mahonia nervosa</i>	Berberidaceae
cherry laurel*	<i>Prunus laurocerasus</i>	Rosaceae
cluster rose	<i>Rosa pisocarpa</i>	Rosaceae
common filbert*	<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Betulaceae
common snowberry	<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	Caprifoliaceae
cotoneaster*	<i>Cotoneaster</i> spp.	Rosaceae
cutleaf blackberry*	<i>Rubus laciniatus</i>	Rosaceae
dune willow	<i>Salix hookeriana</i>	Salicaceae

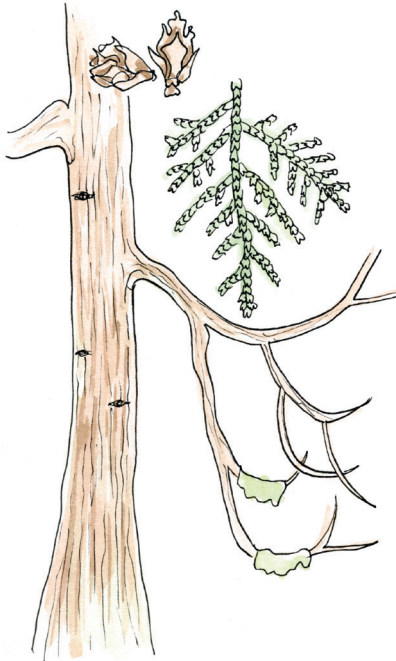
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salmonberry
(*Rubus spectabilis*)

Common name	Latin name	Family
dwarf rose	<i>Rosa gymnocarpa</i>	Rosaceae
European mountain ash*	<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	Rosaceae
flowering plum*	<i>Prunus triloba</i>	Rosaceae
Himalayan blackberry*	<i>Rubus armeniacus</i>	Rosaceae
hollyleaved barberry	<i>Mahonia aquifolium</i>	Berberidaceae
Indian plum	<i>Oemleria cerasiformis</i>	Rosaceae
Lewis' mock orange	<i>Philadelphus lewisii</i>	Hydrangeaceae
Nootka rose	<i>Rosa nutkana</i>	Rosaceae
oceanspray	<i>Holodiscus discolor</i>	Rosaceae
oneseed hawthorn*	<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Rosaceae
Pacific ninebark	<i>Physocarpus capitatus</i>	Rosaceae
poison oak	<i>Rhus diversiloba</i>	Anacardiaceae
Portuguese laurel*	<i>Prunus lusitanica</i>	Rosaceae
red elderberry	<i>Sambucus racemosa</i> var. <i>racemosa</i>	Caprifoliaceae
red huckleberry	<i>Vaccinium parvifolium</i>	Ericaceae
redflower currant	<i>Ribes sanguineum</i>	Grossulariaceae
red-osier dogwood	<i>Cornus stolonifera</i> var. <i>occidentalis</i>	Cornaceae
rose spirea	<i>Spiraea douglasii</i>	Rosaceae
salal	<i>Gaultheria shallon</i>	Ericaceae
salmonberry	<i>Rubus spectabilis</i>	Rosaceae
Saskatoon serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i> var. <i>semiintegrifolia</i>	Rosaceae
Scotch broom*	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	Fabaceae
Scouler's willow	<i>Salix scouleriana</i>	Salicaceae
shining willow	<i>Salix lucida</i>	Salicaceae
Sitka willow	<i>Salix sitchensis</i>	Salicaceae
squashberry	<i>Viburnum edule</i>	Caprifoliaceae
stink currant	<i>Ribes bracteosum</i>	Grossulariaceae
Suksdorf's hawthorn	<i>Crataegus suksdorfii</i>	Rosaceae
sweetbriar rose*	<i>Rosa rubiginosa</i>	Rosaceae
thimbleberry	<i>Rubus parviflorus</i>	Rosaceae
vine maple	<i>Acer circinatum</i>	Aceraceae
western burning bush	<i>Euonymus occidentalis</i>	Celastraceae
western chokecherry	<i>Prunus virginiana</i> var. <i>demissa</i>	Rosaceae
whitebark raspberry	<i>Rubus leucodermis</i>	Rosaceae

TREES



western redcedar
(*Thuja plicata*)

Common name	Latin name	Family
black cottonwood	<i>Populus balsamifera</i> subsp <i>trichocarpa</i>	Salicaceae
Cascara buckthorn	<i>Frangula purshiana</i>	Rhamnaceae
Douglas-fir	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>	Pinaceae
English holly*	<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	Aquifoliaceae
giant sequoia*	<i>Sequoiadendron giganteum</i>	Cupressaceae
grand fir	<i>Abies grandis</i>	Pinaceae
gray birch*	<i>Betula populifolia</i>	Betulaceae
horse chestnut*	<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	Hippocastanaceae
Norway maple*	<i>Acer platanoides</i>	Aceraceae
Oregon ash	<i>Fraxinus latifolia</i>	Oleaceae
Oregon crab apple	<i>Pyrus fusca</i>	Rosaceae
Oregon white oak	<i>Quercus garryana</i>	Fagaceae
Pacific dogwood	<i>Cornus nuttallii</i>	Cornaceae
Pacific madrone	<i>Arbutus menziesii</i>	Ericaceae
Pacific yew	<i>Taxus brevifolia</i>	Taxaceae
paradise apple*	<i>Malus pumila</i>	Rosaceae
ponderosa pine	<i>Pinus ponderosa</i>	Pinaceae
red alder	<i>Alnus rubra</i>	Betulaceae
sweet cherry*	<i>Prunus avium</i>	Rosaceae
sweetgum*	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	Hamamelidaceae
western hemlock	<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i>	Pinaceae
western redcedar	<i>Thuja plicata</i>	Cupressaceae

VINES



orange honeysuckle
(*Lonicera ciliosa*)

Common name	Latin name	Family
English ivy*	<i>Hedera helix</i>	Araliaceae
evergreen clematis*	<i>Clematis vitalba</i>	Ranunculaceae
hedge false bindweed*	<i>Calystegia sepium</i>	Convolvulaceae
orange honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera ciliosa</i>	Caprifoliaceae
western white clematis	<i>Clematis ligusticifolia</i>	Ranunculaceae

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