

# Checklist of Rare Vascular Plant Flora of Ventura County Portion of the Santa Monica Mountains Portion, California

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Habit	Family	Abundance Rarity Status
<i>Achillea millefolium</i> var. <i>californica</i> (Pollard) Jepson	California White Yarrow	PH	Asteraceae	R
<i>Acmispon glaber</i> var. <i>brevialatus</i> (Ottley) Brouillet	Short Deerweed	PH	Fabaceae	R
<i>Adenostoma sparsifolium</i> Torrey	Red Shanks	S	Rosaceae	R
<i>Agrostis pallens</i> Trin.	Thingrass	PG	Poaceae	R
<i>Allophyllum divaricatum</i> (Nuttall) A.D. Grant & V. Grant	Divaricate Allophyllum	AH	Polemoniaceae	R
<i>Amaranthus californicus</i> (Moq.) S. Watson	California Amaranth	AH	Amaranthaceae	R
<i>Antirrhinum nuttallianum</i> ssp. <i>subsessile</i> (A. Gray) D. Thompson	Nuttall Snapdragon	AH	Plantaginaceae	R
<i>Aphanes occidentalis</i> (Nuttall) Rydb.	Dew-cup, Lady's Mantle	AH	Rosaceae	R
<i>Atriplex leucophylla</i> (Moq.) D. Dietr.	Whiteleaf, Beach Saltbush or	PH	Chenopodiaceae	U
<i>Baccharis malibuensis</i> Beauchamp & Henrickson	Malibu Baccharis	S	Asteraceae	R, 1B.1
<i>Berberis pinnata</i> Lagasca ssp. <i>pinnata</i>	Pinnate-leaved Barberry	S	Berberidiaceae	R
<i>Boykinia occidentalis</i> T. & G.	Santa Lucia Brookfoam	PH	Saxifragaceae	R
<i>Bromus pseudolaevipes</i> Wagnon	Woodland Brome	PG	Poaceae	R
<i>Calochortus catalinae</i> S. Watson	Catalina Mariposa Lily	PG	Liliaceae	O, 4.2
<i>Calochortus clavatus</i> ssp. <i>gracilis</i> Ownby	Slender Club-haired Mariposa Lily	PG	Liliaceae	R, 1B.2
<i>Calochortus clavatus</i> ssp. <i>pallidus</i> (Hoover) Munz	Pale Yellow Mariposa Lily	PG	Liliaceae	R
<i>Calochortus plummerae</i> Greene	Plummer Mariposa Lily	PG	Liliaceae	U, 1B.2
<i>Carex globosa</i> Boott	Round-fruited Sedge	PG	Cyperaceae	R
<i>Carex spissa</i> L. Bailey	San Diego Sedge	PG	Cyperaceae	R
<i>Caulanthus heterophyllus</i> (Nutt.) Payson var. <i>heterophyllus</i>	Different-leaved Jewelflower	AH	Brassicaceae	R
<i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i> var. <i>blancheae</i> (C. Schneider) Little	Island Mountain Mahogany	S	Rosaceae	R, 4.3
<i>Chaenactis glabriuscula</i> var. <i>megacephala</i> A. Gray	Big-flowered Yellow Pincushion	AH	Asteraceae	R
<i>Chaenactis glabriuscula</i> var. <i>orcuttiana</i> (Greene) H.M. Hall	Woolly Yellow Pincushion	AH	Asteraceae	R, 1B.1
<i>Chamaesyce serpyllifolia</i> (Pers.) Small ssp. <i>serpyllifolia</i>	Thyme-leaved spurge	AH	Euphorbiaceae	R
<i>Chenopodium berlandieri</i> Moq. var. <i>zschackei</i> (Murr) Graebn.	Pitseed Goosefoot	AH	Chenopodiaceae	R
<i>Comarostaphylis diversifolia</i> ssp. <i>planifolia</i> (Jeps.) G.D. Wallace	Simpleleaf Summer Holly	S	Ericaceae	R
<i>Cornus glabrata</i> Bentham	Brown Dogwood	S	Cornaceae	R
<i>Cyperus odoratus</i> L.	Flatsedge	AG	Cyperaceae	R
<i>Dichondra occidentalis</i> House	Western Dichondra	PH	Convolvulaceae	R, 4.2
<i>Diplacus puniceus</i> Nuttall [ <i>Mimulus p.</i> ]	Red Bush Monkeyflower	S	Phrymaceae	R
<i>Dodecatheon clevelandii</i> E. Greene ssp. <i>clevelandii</i>	Cleveland Shooting Star	PH	Primulaceae	R
<i>Dodecatheon clevelandii</i> ssp. <i>insulare</i> H.L. Thompson	Island Shooting Star	PH	Primulaceae	R
<i>Dodecatheon clevelandii</i> ssp. <i>patulum</i> (E. Greene) H.J. Thompson	Lowland Padre Shooting Star	PH	Primulaceae	R
<i>Draba cuneifolia</i> T. & G. var. <i>cuneifolia</i>	Wedgeleaf Draba	AH	Brassicaceae	R
<i>Dudleya blochmaniae</i> (Eastw.) Moran ssp. <i>blochmaniae</i>	Blochman Live-forever	PH	Crassulaceae	U, 1B.1
<i>Dudleya caespitosa</i> (Haw.) Britt. & Rose	Sea Lettuce	PH	Crassulaceae	R
<i>Dudleya cymosa</i> ssp. <i>marcescens</i> Moran	Marcescent Live-forever	PH	Crassulaceae	R, 1B.2, FT, SR
<i>Dudleya cymosa</i> ssp. <i>ovatifolia</i> (Britt.) Moran	Santa Monica Mtns. Live-forever	PH	Crassulaceae	R, 1B.2, FT
<i>Echinodorus berteroi</i> (Spreng.) Fassett	Bur Head	AG	Alismataceae	R
<i>Ehrendorferia ochroleuca</i> (Engelm.) Fukuhara	White Eardrops, Yellow Dicentra	PH	Fumariaceae	R
<i>Eleocharis montevidensis</i> Kunth	Sand Spikerush	PG	Cyperaceae	R

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<i>Elymus stebbinsii</i> (Scribner & J.G. Smith) Gould	Wheatgrass	PG	Poaceae	R
<i>Eriastrum sapphirinum</i> ssp. <i>dasyanthem</i> (Brand) H. Mason	Shaggy-flowered Sapphire Woolly	AH	Polemoniaceae	R
<i>Eriogonum latifolium</i> Smith	Coast Buckwheat, Tibinagua	PH	Polygonaceae	R
<i>Erysimum suffrutescens</i> (Abrams) Rossbach	Island Wallflower	AH/BH	Brassicaceae	R, 4.2
<i>Githopsis diffusa</i> A. Gray ssp. <i>diffusa</i>	Southern Bluecup	AH	Campanulaceae	R
<i>Horkelia cuneata</i> Lindley ssp. <i>cuneata</i>	Wedgeleaf Horkelia	PH	Rosaceae	R
<i>Lepechinia fragrans</i> (E. Greene) Epling	Fragrant Pitcher Sage	S	Lamiaceae	R, 4.2
<i>Leptochloa fusca</i> ssp. <i>fascicularis</i> (Lam.) N. Snow	Bearded Sprangletop	AG	Poaceae	R
<i>Lessingia pectinata</i> var. <i>tenuipes</i> (J.T. Howell) Markos	Sticky Lessingia	AH	Asteraceae	R
<i>Logfia depressa</i> (A.Gray) Holub	Low Berbia Impia	AH	Asteraceae	R
<i>Lomatium lucidum</i> (T. & G.) Jeps.	Shiny Lomatium	PH	Apiaceae	R
<i>Lonicera subspicata</i> Hooker & Arnott var. <i>subspicata</i>	Santa Ynez Mountains	S	Caprifoliaceae	R
<i>Malacothamnus fasciculatus</i> var. <i>laxiflorus</i> (Gray) Kearney	Lax-flowered Bushmallow	S	Malvaceae	R
<i>Meconella denticulata</i> E. Greene	Tiny Poppy	AH	Papaveraceae	R
<i>Micranthes californica</i> (Greene) Small	California Saxifrage	PH	Saxifragaceae	R
<i>Navarretia ojaiensis</i> Elvin, J.M. Porter & L.A. Johnson	Ojai Navarretia	AH	Polemoniaceae	U, 1B.1
<i>Opuntia Xoccidentalis</i> Engelm. & Bigelow	Western Pricklypear Cactus	S	Cactaceae	R
<i>Orobanche californica</i> ssp. <i>grandis</i> Heckard	Coastal California Broomrape	PH	Orobanchaceae	R
<i>Orobanche vallicola</i> (Jepson) Heckard	Hillside Broomrape	PH	Orobanchaceae	R
<i>Oxalis albicans</i> ssp. <i>californica</i> (Abrams) G. Eiten	California White Wood Sorrel	PH	Oxalidaceae	R
<i>Papaver californicum</i> Gray	Wind or Fire Poppy	AH	Papaveraceae	R
<i>Paspalum distichum</i> L.	Joint Dallis Grass or Knotgrass	PG	Poaceae	R
<i>Pedicularis densiflora</i> Hook.	Indian Warrior	PH	Orobanchaceae	R
<i>Phacelia imbricata</i> ssp. <i>patula</i> (Brand) Heckard	Mountain Phacelia	PH	Boraginaceae	R
<i>Piperia cooperi</i> (S. Watson) Rydb.	Chaparral Rein Orchid	PG	Orchidaceae	R, 4.2
<i>Piperia elegans</i> (Lindl.) Rydb. ssp. <i>elegans</i>	Elegant Rein-orchid	PG	Orchidaceae	R
<i>Piperia michaelii</i> (Greene) Rydb.	Michael Piperia	PG	Orchidaceae	R, 4.2
<i>Piperia unalascensis</i> (Spreng.) Rydb	Slender-spire Orchid	PG	Orchidaceae	R
<i>Poa secunda</i> ssp. <i>juncifolia</i> (Scribner) R. Soreng	Rush Bluegrass	PG	Poaceae	R
<i>Quercus dumosa</i> Nutt.	Nuttall or Coastal Sage Scrub Oak	S	Fagaceae	R, 1B.1
<i>Quercus palmeri</i> Engelm.	Palmer Oak	T	Fagaceae	R
<i>Ranunculus hebecarpus</i> Hooker & Arnott	Hebe-fruited Buttercup	AH	Ranunculaceae	R
<i>Rorippa curvisiliqua</i> (Hooker) Bessey ex Britton	Curved-pod Watercress	AH	Brassicaceae	R
<i>Sanicula bipinnatifida</i> Hooker	Purple Sanicle, Shoe Buttons	PH	Apiaceae	R
<i>Sanicula tuberosa</i> Torrey	Tuberose Sanicle	PH	Apiaceae	R
<i>Senecio aphanactis</i> Greene	California Groundsel, Rayless Ragw	AH	Asteraceae	R, 2.2
<i>Sphaeralcea ambigua</i> A. Gray var. <i>ambigua</i>	Apricot Mallow	S	Malvaceae	R
<i>Stuckenia pectinata</i> (L.) Börner	Fennel-leaf Pondweed	PH	Potamogetonaceae	R
<i>Thalictrum fendleri</i> Engelm. ex Gray	Fendler Meadow-rue	PH	Ranunculaceae	R
<i>Thalictrum polycarpum</i> (Torrey) S. Watson	Tall Western Meadow-rue	PH	Ranunculaceae	R
<i>Thysanocarpus conchuliferus</i> E. Greene	Santa Cruz Island Fringepod	AH	Brassicaceae	R

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<i>Tropidocarpum gracile</i> Hook.	Slender Tropidocarpum	AH	Brassicaceae	R
<i>Yabea microcarpa</i> (Hooker & Arnott) Koso-Pol.	Yabea	AH	Apiaceae	R

Notes: Scientific nomenclature follows the *Flora of North America North of Mexico* (Flora of North America Editorial Committee 1993-2011), *The Jepson Manual* (Baldwin et al. 2012), and "Taxonomic Overview of *Diplacus* Sect. *Diplacus* (Phrymaceae)" (Tulig & Nesom 2012). Most current taxomomy is followed when changed have occurred since publication of the above listed references. Common names follow Abrams and Ferris (1960), Neihaus and Ripper (1976), and DeGarmo (1980).

**Habit definitions:**

AF = annual fern or fern ally.	PG = perennial grass or graminoid.
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AH = annual herb.	PV = perennial vine.
BH = biennial herb.	S = shrub.
PF = perennial fern or fern ally.	T = tree.

**Abundance/Rarity status definitions:**

R = Rare (1-5 extant populations known)	1B.1 = Rare & Endangered, High Risk
U = Uncommon (6-10 extant populations known)	1B.2 = Rare & Endangered, Moderate Risk
O = Occasional (21-30 extant populations known)	2.2 = Rare in CA, More Common Elsewhere
FT = Federally listed Threatened	4.2 = Plants of Limited Distribution, Moderate Risk
SR = California listed Rare	4.3 = Plants of Limited Distribution, Low Risk

This list is based primarily on the author's personal research of the flora of Ventura County over 30 years. It is supported by voucher specimens at one or more California public herbaria and direct observations by author. Developed by David L. Magney 2012. Checklist may be used for educational and nonprofit purposes only.