

Plants For Freshwater Marsh



Alnus rubra Red Alder

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Anemopsis californica Yerba Mansa

Yerba Mansa is a spreading groundcover that has large, waxy, gray-green leaves that lay flat and form mats that from a distance look like a permanent pasture. It is a creekside plant, that... [Learn more.](#)



Artemisia douglasiana Mugwort

... [Learn more.](#)



Artemisia dracunculus Tarragon

(Syn. *Artemisia dracunculoides*, *Artemisia glauca*) Tarragon (probably not the variety called French Tarragon, the culinary herb) is a very unattractive weed of disturbed areas. It is a native... [Learn more.](#)



Aster chilensis California Aster

California aster (*Symphotrichum chilense*) has summer flowers that make showy cheerful displays along roadsides of much of Coastal Southern California. Great for a garden or full sun... [Learn more.](#)



Bidens laevis Joaquin Sunflower

... [Learn more.](#)

Calamagrostis canadensis Blue-joint

Blue Joint grows as a large creeping grass in wet places or meadows from Manitoba to New Mexico, Newfoundland to California. In California Blue-joint lives from about Tulare County to the coast. [Learn more.](#)



Carex fracta Fragile Sheathed Sedge

A beautiful green perennial that lives in mountain meadows, road cuts, rocky slopes, and seeps. The soil can be fairly dry, but as it dries out the foliage will fade. It is like some... [Learn more.](#)



Carex senta Rough Sedge

A green perennial grass-like plant that grows along creek channels. Plant in cobble for a creek effect, plant with other *Carex* species, *Mimulus* species, (that is, between moist... [Learn more.](#)



Carex spissa San Diego sedge

A gray, perennial, grass-like sedge that grows along creek channels. Very dramatic specimen plant for a conventional garden or wet native garden. Plant in combination with other... [Learn more.](#)



Cyperus eragrostis Nutsedge, Umbrella Sedge

Grows in seasonal creeks, wet areas commonly with *Salix lasiolepis*, *Ambrosia* sp., *Quercus agrifolia* and *Populus*. Prefers wet soil, clay or gravel. Thrives in a wetland community, rhizomatous... [Learn more.](#)



Deschampsia elongata Slender hairgrass

This clumping perennial grass is so soft, and pretty, with really thin soft stems and leaves. Slender Hair Grass disappears in summer (drops to a faint brown panicle) in the... [Learn more.](#)

Elymus glaucus Blue Wildrye

Blue Wild-Rye. This plant species is highly variable, and hybridizes with some other species of wild-rye. It is not related to the cereal rye, except that they are both grasses. This plant is... [Learn more.](#)



[Epipactis gigantea Stream Orchid](#)
... [Learn more.](#)



[Equisetum hymale Scouring rush](#)
This Horsetail is wide ranging throughout the world with a very complicated species complex. (Equisetum hiemale, Hippochaete hiemale var. californica) ... [Learn more.](#)



[Gnaphalium microcephalum thermale Feltleaf everlasting.](#)
(syn. Gnaphalium canescens ssp. thermale, Gnaphalium albidum, Pseudognaphalium thermale) A grey short lived perennial that grows in open loose ground or in burned over area... [Learn more.](#)



[Helenium puberulum What happened to the Flower?](#)
This plant has brought great hoots from less than kind customers. That's the flower? Is the common response. You got to be kidding is another. Personally I think it's a beautiful plant and a valuable one... [Learn more.](#)



[Heleocharis macrostachya Common Spike Rush](#)
A 1 foot high rhizomatous dark green plant. It looks like a miniature rush, or a funny-looking lawn grass. It needs regular moisture. It grows throughout the world along streams, ... [Learn more.](#)



[Heleocharis palustris](#)
A one foot high rhizomatous dark green plant. It looks like a miniature rush, or a funny-looking lawn grass. It needs regular moisture. It grows throughout the world along streams... [Learn more.](#)



[Hibiscus californica Rose-Mallow](#)
A large perennial that will die to the ground under any drought stress. Use in an area of seasonal flooding or next to a pond. Flowers are large and showy. Not hard to grow (Hibiscus ... [Learn more.](#)



[Hordeum brachyantherum Meadow barley](#)
Meadow Barley grows from Baja California to Labrador, New Mexico to Alaska. A tufted perennial for an interest plant next to a pond or along a moist path. Looks lush and green... [Learn more.](#)



[Juncus balticus Baltic Rush](#)
Baltic Rush grows in the Baltic Sea area, Canada from Labrador across and down into so. CA., also in S. A. It forms stiff clumps arising from runners and grows in wet areas. If you have regular water... [Learn more.](#)



[Juncus dubius](#)
A 1-2 ft. tall perennial that spreads by rhizomes along the edges of streams or ponds. Dark green, good fill in, good looking.... [Learn more.](#)



[Juncus macrophyllus Long leaf rush](#)
A rather nondescript spike of green until it flowers. Flowers make a creamy delicate cloud on top of this delicate bunch of stuff that looked like grass. Native from California in the... [Learn more.](#)

[Lobelia cardinalis Cardinal Flower](#)

Cardinal flower is a flat perennial herb with 1-2 inch red flowers in 1-2 foot spike of 20 or more. It grows in bogs. Cardinal flower has nice cut flowers. It is a hummingbird flower. U

