



## Garden Color All Year

### Winter

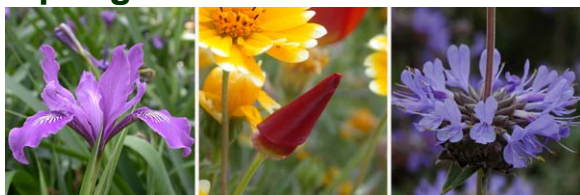


Manzanita

Wild Lilac

Wild Currant

### Spring



Douglas Iris

Wildflowers

Wild Sage

### Summer



Desert Willow

Barberry

Clarkia

### Fall



California Fuchsia

Toyon

Wild Grape

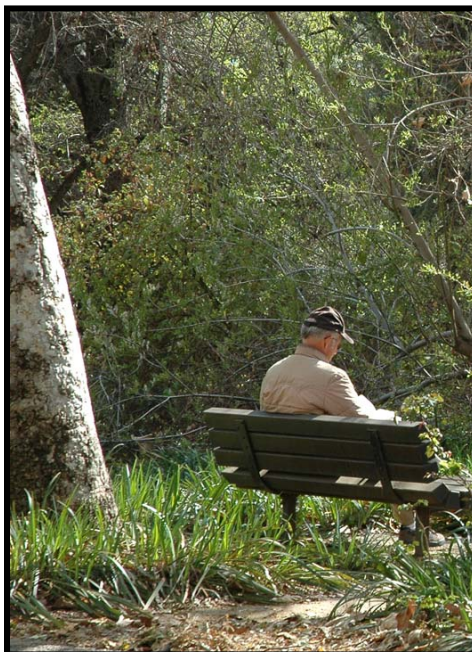


## Native Plant Garden Hotline

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Website: [www.rsabg.org](http://www.rsabg.org)



**Garden Hours:** 8:00 to 5:00 daily  
(closed New Year's Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving,  
and Christmas)

**Admission:** Donation of \$4.00 per  
person, or \$8.00 per family is suggested. A fee  
is charged on selected special event days.

**Annual Fall Plant Sale:** The first full  
weekend in November (over 12,000 native  
plants for sale)

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**RSABG** is the largest botanic garden dedicated exclusively to our state's native plants. Our mission is to inspire, inform, and educate the public and the scientific community about California's native flora. Visitors are welcome to enjoy the meandering pathways of the 86 acre naturalistic setting that offers panoramic mountain views throughout the year.



In 1927 Susanna Bixby Bryant created RSABG on her ranch in Orange County. The Garden moved to Claremont, and opened to the public in its new location in 1951. The change strengthened its academic relationship with Claremont Graduate School (now Claremont Graduate University). Today, research botanists at RSABG are the teaching faculty for the botany program at CGU.



## Horticulture

The cultivation and propagation of native plants is an essential component of all of the Garden's programs. The botanic wealth of California has inspired gardeners worldwide for over 200 years.

Wherever winters are mild and rainy, and summers are warm and dry, California native plants can be expected to perform well, once their needs are understood. Currently, our native plants are enjoying a well deserved upsurge in popularity.

## Outreach Program

If we choose to work with nature, rather than against it, our native plants are ideal garden subjects. These plants have spent thousands of years adapting to our natural climate of long, hot, dry summers and cool, moist winters. This mediterranean climate differs from climatic conditions in most other regions. When early settlers came to California, they brought along their gardening traditions and plants that require water during spring, summer, and fall. Most of our native plants can not be forced into these water-loving gardens, they, and plants from the world's other mediterranean climate regions, are instead the gateway into a more sustainable, and easier approach to living with, and in, our beautiful California landscape.



The Horticulture Outreach program is a resource for the general public and horticultural professionals to facilitate the increased use of native plants in residential and public landscapes throughout Southern California. Sustainable gardening practices, including the use of well-adapted native plants, conserve water and improve watershed health by reducing reliance on irrigation, fertilizers, and pesticides. They also provide improved habitat in urban areas. California's native flora is a beautiful and unique resource that should be part of everyone's garden.

## Do you have a question about growing California native plants?

- Do you need tips on starting a native plant garden?
- Are you a gardener who can not figure out why a particular native plant is not thriving?
- Do you need more information on the best irrigation practices for native gardens?
- Are you a professional who needs information to effectively implement a native garden plan?

If you have questions about growing California natives, the Garden Hotline is for you. RSABG staff offer their expertise in native plant horticulture to provide you with complete and accurate information. Weekly gardening tips, plant lists and resources are posted on the Garden's website: [www.rsabg.org](http://www.rsabg.org).

## When you ask for help

Be sure to tell us as much as you can about the conditions of your garden and your plant:

- Where is your garden?
- What kind of area are you in - coastal, foothill, valley, desert, inland, other?
- Tell us about your garden conditions - soil type, irrigation, sun exposure, etc.
- How old is the plant in question?
- Was it planted from seed, 1 gallon pot, 24-inch box, other?
- Are there special considerations for your garden selections such as pets or children?