

California Native Plant Society



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SPRING NATIVE PLANT SALE AND WILDFLOWER SHOW

-----CALENDAR LISTING:-----

Spring Native Plant Sale and Wildflower Show. Scores of species of native plants suitable for California gardens. Speak to experts about lawn alternatives such as native perennials, wildflowers, and grasses. Native plant books, posters, and note cards. Includes a Wildflower Show with over 200 species of local plants, arranged by plant community. Organized by the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the California Native Plant Society and Acterra Nursery. **Saturday, April 25, 2015** 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **Hidden Villa Ranch**, CNPS Nursery, 26870 Moody Road, Los Altos Hills, 2 miles west of I-280. Free parking. Come early for the best selection; bring boxes to carry your purchases home. For more information:

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-----PRESS RELEASE:-----

Make your garden both water-wise and beautiful this season by introducing California native plants. Native plants also bring habitat value and a sense of place to the garden without requiring chemicals or additional energy. Discover the possibilities at the **Native Plant Sale and Wildflower Show** at **Hidden Villa Ranch in Los Altos Hills** on **Saturday, April 25**, **2015**, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Naturally adapted to the local soil and climate, California native plants thrive without amendments, fertilizers, or pesticides, and offer incomparable habitat value. Choose from scores of species of hard-to-find native plants: from deergrass and monkey flower to redbud and blue-eyed grass, from orchids and lilies to ferns, sedums, and buckwheats.

In spring, California hillsides turn every shade of yellow, orange, red, blue, purple, and white with glorious wildflower displays. Many of these native plants, easily grown in the garden, are available at the sale. Speak with experts about unthirsty alternatives to a lawn, including native perennials, shrubs, wildflowers, and grasses. Browse books, posters, and note cards featuring native plants.

New to the sale this year is a plant community oriented Wildflower Show. Over 200 species of local plants will be displayed, organized by the habitat in which they grow – grassland, chaparral, mixed woodland, and redwood forest. See the plants in bloom and learn how they interact with each other and the habitats in which they grow.

The plants for sale are accurately tagged and lovingly nurtured by volunteers from the local chapter of the California Native Plant Society (CNPS) and by Acterra Nursery. The non-profit, all-volunteer CNPS Nursery opens to the public two times a year (spring and fall). Proceeds fund

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chapter activities such as Gardening With Natives, Field Trips, Conservation, and Education; Acterra; and the Trust for Hidden Villa.

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