

# Native Flowers of Redwood Grove



Please enjoy the sights and smells of these beautiful plants, and leave the flowers for the enjoyment of others.

## IN THE MEADOWS



### California Poppy (*Eschscholzia californica*)

The California poppy is a perfect symbol for our Golden State. Their showy cup-shaped flowers range in color from yellow to orange, and can commonly be seen flowering from February to September. This plant is a great example of **nyctinasty**, meaning its petals close at night and reopen in the morning in response to changes in temperature and light.

## IN THE OAK WOODLAND



### Hummingbird Sage (*Salvia spathacea*)

The distinctive flowering spikes of hummingbird sage feature large, dark fuchsia-colored flowers, which attract beneficial pollinators with an abundance of sweet nectar. As its name suggests, this sage is a hummingbird magnet. Hummingbirds can be fiercely territorial and they have been known to defend these sage plants with their lives! Take in the fresh, minty, slightly sweet aroma that wafts from this sage's sticky, heart-shaped leaves.

## IN THE TREES ABOVE



### California Buckeye (*Aesculus californica*)

Take a moment to look up at your surroundings. In the canopy, the flowers of the California buckeye tree are particularly spectacular. In springtime, the buckeye bursts with clusters of small fragrant white flowers. Each cluster contains 80 to 100 blooms, and a single tree can produce thousands of blossoms! The flowers are a rich nectar source for many native California butterflies, but can be toxic in high concentrations to European honeybees.