

Weeds in San Diego County Wildlands

Learn to Recognize These

Giant Reed	<i>Arundo donax</i>	Riparian
Iceplant (Hottentot Fig)	<i>Carpobrotus edulis</i>	Coastal, Hillsides, Riparian
Caulerpa	<i>Caulerpa taxifolia</i>	Marine
Pampas grass	<i>Cortaderia selloana</i>	Coastal, Riparian
Jubatagrass	<i>Cortaderia jubata</i>	Coastal, Upland
Artichoke thistle	<i>Cynara cardunculus</i>	Grassland, Riparian
Tamarisk, Salt cedar	<i>Tamarix ramosissima</i>	Riparian, esp. in desert
Perennial pepperweed	<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>	Riparian
Cape Ivy	<i>Senecio mikanioides</i>	Riparian, Upland
Hoary cress	<i>Cardaria draba</i>	
Yellow star thistle	<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>	CSS, grasslands
Spanish broom	<i>Spartium junceum</i>	
Water hyacinth	<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	Lakes, Riparian
Hydrilla	<i>Hydrilla verticillate</i>	Lakes
Fennel	<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Grassland, Riparian, CSS
Eucalyptus	<i>Eucalyptus sp.</i>	Riparian, Upland
Bridal broom	<i>Retama monosperma</i>	
Tocalote	<i>Centaurea melitensis</i>	Grassland, CSS
Desert mustard	<i>Brassica tournefortii</i>	Desert
Fountain grass	<i>Pennisetum setaceum</i>	Desert, Disturbed areas
Brazilian pepper	<i>Schinus terebinthifolius</i>	Riparian
Italian thistle	<i>Carduus pycnocephala</i>	
Castor bean	<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Riparian
Garland chrysanthemum	<i>Chrysanthemum coronarium</i>	Disturbed, CSS
Tree of Heaven	<i>Ailanthis altissima</i>	Riparian
Rabbit's Foot grass	<i>Polypogon monspeliensis</i>	Vernal pools
Brass buttons	<i>Cotula coronopifolia</i>	Vernal pools, Salt marsh
Bristly Ox tongue	<i>Pichris echioides</i>	
Common teasel	<i>Dipsacus sativus</i>	Disturbed. CSS
Ehrharta	<i>Ehrharta longiflorus</i>	
Red brome	<i>Bromus madritensis ssp.</i>	
Black mustard	<i>Brassica nigra</i>	CSS, Hillsides, Disturbed

Riparian = associated with rivers, washes, intermittent streams. CSS = Coastal Sage Scrub

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