

Indian Pink (Pink Family) Silene californica, blooms May to June

Indian Pink grows on brushy slopes in gravelly soil, usually on serpentine. You can find it at the top of Ring Mountain near Howell's bench.

The Pink Family is not named for the color of the flowers, but for the fact that many of the flowers have toothed or lobed petals that look as if they were cut with pinking shears.

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Yellow Mariposa Lily (Lily Family)

Calochortus luteus, blooms May to June

Also called Gold Nuggets, this plant grows on open grassy sundried hills, and in rocky places. You can find it on Azalea Hill and Mount Burdell.

The red markings on the petals vary from flower to flower.

Native Americans roasted the bulbs for food.

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Red Larkspur (Buttercup Family)

Delphinium nudicale, blooms April to May

Also called Scarlet Larkspur or Canon Delphinium, the plant grows in well-drained rocky slopes. You can find it on the Yolanda Trail, Little Carson Falls, Toyon Fire Road, and the cliffs south of Tomales.

Maidu Indians used the roots to kill lice. All parts of the plant are poisonous if ingested.

Red Larkspur is pollinated by Hummingbirds.

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<u>Cream Sacs</u> (Orobanche Family) Castilleja rubicundula, blooms in May

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Cream Sacs grows in moist serpentine grassland. You can see it on Azalea Hill and on Ring Mountain.

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