Trees

Blue Oak (Quercus douglasii)

- Gray green dull leaves in summer
- Loses leaves in winter
- Beautiful white bark



Black Oak (Quercus kelloggii)

- Very tall when mature
- Large leaves; loses leaves in winter







Interior Live Oak (Quercus wislizeni)

- Dark green shiny leaves
- Keeps leaves in winter





Grey Pine (Pinus sabiniana)

- Grey-green wispy needles
- Huge spiky cones
- Towering height when mature



Douglas Fir (Pseudotsuga menziesii)

- Short bright green flat needles
- Small cones with "mouse tails"
- Mature trees very tall





Ponderosa Pine





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Shrubs

Toyon (*Heteromeles arbutifolia*)

- Dark green shiny leaves, red berries
- Keeps leaves in winter







Flannel Bush (Fremontodendron califoricum)

• Fuzzy leaves, showy yellow flowers in spring

Elderberry (Sambucus nigra)

- White flower clusters, blue berries
- Branching shrub







Coyote Bush (Baccharis pilularis)

- White blooms in winter
- Each plant produces male or female flowers



California Buckeye (Aesculus californica)

- Small tree
- Bright green leaves in early spring
- White plume flowers
- Leaves die in mid summer
- Buckeye pods in late summer/fall



Willow (Salix)

- Lives near water
- Long, narrow, often shiny leaves
- Yellow leaves in fall
- Loses leaves in winter
- Catkins in spring for pollination
- Hybridize easily; individual species can be difficult to identify







French Broom (Genista monspessulana)

- Invasive crowds out native plants
- Can grow in large patches
- Yellow flowers in late spring

Buckbrush (Ceanothus cuneatus)

White round stems with small leaves.





Poison Oak (Toxicodendron)

- Single low-lying plant, bush, or climbing vine
- Leaves turn red in fall
- Touching leaves or dormant stems can cause rash



Non-Native Trees planted by early residents

Olive (Olea europa)

Fig (Ficus)







