



COWICHE CANYON EARTH WEEK SCAVENGER HUNT

How many can you find!?

This is a VISUAL hunt. Do NOT pick flowers. Please leave them for others, and bees and butterflies!



Howell's Tritellia / Brodiaea (Tritellia grandiflora)

- In the lilly family, its leaves are long and typically 2-3.
- Flower is a tube about 1 inch long, 6 lobes with flat edges, white with blue midveins or blue with darker midveins



Carey's Balsamroot (Balsamorhiza careyana)

- Can grow from 1 to 2 feet tall.
- Many small animals eat balsamroot as their source of food.
- Its leaves are covered with small white hairs.



Wooly-pod Locoweed (Astragalus purshii)

- Low-growing plant has pink, purple, or white flowers.
- Seed pods are white and woolly
- Like all legumes, this plant fixes Nitrogen, which all plants need to grow, into the soil.



Common Larkspur (Delphinium nuttallianum)

- Slender stem
- Fewer than 14 flowers on hairless stalks.
- Blue or purple flowers
- Whole plant 4 to 20 inches tall.



Prarie Star (Lithophragma parviflorum)

- Stems are sticky, hairy, purplish.
- Leaves are deeply divided into 3-5 leaflets, and 2-3 smaller leaves on stem.
- Flowers have 5 pink or white petals each divided into 3 lobes at tips.



Showy Phlox (phlox speciosa)

- Leaves are opposite, linear, with pointed tip.
- Flowers have five petals, pink or sometimes white, with deeply notched petals.
- Grows in open rocky soils and often seen near big sagebrush.



Antelope Bitterbrush (Purshia tridentata)

- This common shrub has rigid stems and can live to be 100 years old.
- Leaves are bright or olive green with three-lobed tips.
- Flower petals are cream to bright yellow, and can smell lovely!



Wax currant (Ribes cereum)

- This shrub has leaves that are gray-green, shiny, round, finely toothed, and palmately lobed.
- Flowers, white to pale pink, hang in clusters at tip of branches