

FRENCH RANCH OPEN SPACE PRESERVE

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Marin County

El. 260 ft. - 950 ft.

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BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	NOTES
AGAVACEAE (AGAVE FAMILY)		
<i>Chlorogalum pomeridianum</i> var. <i>pomeridianum</i>	Soap Plant	AB
ANACARDIACEAE (SUMAC FAMILY)		
<i>Toxicodendron diversilobum</i>	Poison Oak	AB
APIACEAE (CELERY FAMILY)		
<i>Conium maculatum</i>	Poison Hemlock	* AB
<i>Daucus pusillus</i>	Rattlesnake Weed	B
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Fennel	* B
<i>Lomatium dasycarpum</i> ssp. <i>dasycarpum</i>	Hog Fennel	AB
<i>Osmorhiza berteroi</i>	Sweet Cicely	AB
<i>Perideridia kelloggii</i>	Kellogg's Yampah	
<i>Sanicula crassicaulis</i>	Pacific Sanicle	AB
<i>Sanicula laciniata</i>	Oak Woodland Sanicle	AB
<i>Torilis arvensis</i>	Hedge Parsley	* B
<i>Torilis nodosa</i>	Knotted Hedge Parsley	* AB
ARISTOLOCHIACEAE (PIPEVINE FAMILY)		
<i>Aristolochia californica</i>	California Pipe-vine	T.L. B
ASTERACEAE (ASTER FAMILY)		
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Yarrow	A
<i>Agoseris grandiflora</i>	Mountain Dandelion	B
<i>Agoseris heterophylla</i>	Annual Dandelion	AB
<i>Anisocarpus madioides</i>	Woodland Madia	A
<i>Anthemis cotula</i>	Mayweed	* B
<i>Artemisia californica</i>	California Sagebrush	AB
<i>Artemisia douglasiana</i>	Douglas's Mugwort	A
<i>Baccharis pilularis</i> var. <i>consanguinea</i>	Coyote Brush	AB
<i>Calycadenia multiglandulosa</i>	Rosin Weed	B
<i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>	Italian Thistle	* AB
<i>Centaurea melitensis</i>	Napa Thistle, Tocalote	* AB

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<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>	Yellow Star-Thistle	* B
<i>Cirsium occidentale</i> var. <i>venustum</i>	Venus Thistle	A
ASTERACEAE (ASTER FAMILY)		
<i>Cirsium remotifolium</i>	White-flowered Thistle	A
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Bull Thistle	* AB
<i>Erigeron reductus</i> var. <i>angustatus</i>	Pine Erigeron	B
<i>Eriophyllum confertiflorum</i> var. <i>confertiflorum</i>	Golden-Yarrow	B
<i>Eriophyllum lanatum</i> var. <i>arachnoideum</i>	Woolly Sunflower	A
<i>Eurybia radulina</i>	Broad-leaved Aster	AB
<i>Logfia gallica</i>	French Cudweed	* AB
<i>Gamochaeta ustulata</i>	Silver-leaved Cudweed	A
<i>Grindelia hirsutula</i>	Grindelia	A
<i>Hemizonia congesta</i> ssp. <i>lutescens</i>	Hayfield Tarweed	B
<i>Hesperervax sparsiflora</i> var. <i>sparsiflora</i>	Western Evax	B
<i>Heterotheca sessiliflora</i> ssp. <i>bolanderi</i>	Golden Aster	A
<i>Hieracium albiflorum</i>	Hawkweed	A
<i>Hypochaeris glabra</i>	Smooth Cat's-ear	* AB
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	Hairy Cat's-ear	* AB
<i>Lactuca saligna</i>	Lettuce	* B
<i>Lactuca serriola</i>	Prickly Lettuce	* B
<i>Layia gaillardii</i> ssp. <i>gaillardii</i>	Blanket-flower Tidytip	A
<i>Lessingia micradenia</i> var. <i>micradenia</i>	Tamalpais Lessingia	LIST 1B B
<i>Logfia gallica</i>	French Cudweed	* AB
<i>Madia elegans</i>	Common Madia	B
<i>Madia exigua</i>	Threadstem Madia	B
<i>Madia gracilis</i>	Slender Tarweed	AB
<i>Microseris douglasii</i> ssp. <i>douglasii</i>	Douglas's Dandelion	B
<i>Pseudognaphalium californicum</i>	Cudweed	AB
<i>Soliva sessilis</i>	Prickly Soliva	* A
<i>Sonchus asper</i>	Sow Thistle	* AB
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Sow Thistle	* AB
<i>Symphyotrichum chilense</i>	Common Aster	
<i>Uropappus lindleyi</i>	Silver Puffs	B
<i>Wyethia angustifolia</i>	Narrow-leaf Mule Ears	AB
BETULACEAE (BIRCH FAMILY)		
<i>Corylus cornuta</i> ssp. <i>californica</i>	California Hazel	AB
BORAGINACEAE (BORAGE FAMILY)		
<i>Cynoglossum grande</i>	Hound's Tongue	AB
<i>Eriodictyon californicum</i>	Yerba Santa	A

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<i>Nemophila heterophylla</i>	Small White-flowered Nemophila	A
<i>Phacelia imbricata</i> ssp. <i>imbricata</i>	White-flowered Perennial Phacelia	A
BRASSICACEAE/ (MUSTARD FAMILY)		
<i>Cardamine californica</i>	Milk Maids	A
<i>Hirschfeldia incana</i>	Summer Mustard	*
<i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	Jointed Charlock	*
<i>Streptanthus glandulosus</i> ssp. <i>secundus</i>	White Jewel-flower	B
CAPRIFOLIACEAE (HONEYSUCKLE FAMILY)		
<i>Lonicera hispidula</i>	California Honeysuckle	AB
<i>Sambucus nigra</i> ssp. <i>caerulea</i>	Blue Elderberry	B
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i> var. <i>laevigatus</i>	Snowberry	A
CARYOPHYLLACEAE (PINK FAMILY)		
<i>Minuartia douglasii</i>	Sandwort	B
<i>Scleranthus annuus</i> ssp. <i>annuus</i>	Knawel	*
<i>Silene gallica</i>	Windmill Pink	*
<i>Spergularia rubra</i>	Pink Sand Spurrey	*
CISTACEAE (ROCK-ROSE FAMILY)		
<i>Helianthemum scoparium</i>	Broom-rose	B
CONVOLVULACEAE (BINDWEED FAMILY)		
<i>Calystegia purpurata</i> ssp. <i>purpurata</i>	Vining Morning-glory	AB
<i>Calystegia subacaulis</i> ssp. <i>subacaulis</i>	Morning-glory	B
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Bindweed	*
CRASSULACEAE (STONECROP FAMILY)		
<i>Dudleya cymosa</i> ssp. <i>cymosa</i>	Rock Lettuce	B
CUCURBITACEAE (CUCUMBER FAMILY)		
<i>Marah fabacea</i>	Man-root	A
CYPERACEAE (SEDGE FAMILY)		
<i>Carex globosa</i>	Sedge	AB
<i>Carex serratodens</i>	Sedge	B
<i>Carex</i> sp.	Sedge	B
<i>Cyperus eragrostis</i>	Umbrella Sedge	A
<i>Isolepis cernua</i>	Deer sedge	B
DENNSTAEDTIACEAE (BRACKEN FERN FAMILY)		
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> var. <i>pubescens</i>	Bracken	AB

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DRYOPTERIDACEAE (WOOD FERN FAMILY)		
<i>Dryopteris arguta</i>	Coastal Wood Fern	A
<i>Polystichum munitum</i>	Western Sword Fern	A
ERICACEAE (HEATH FAMILY)		
<i>Arbutus menziesii</i>	Madrone	AB
<i>Arctostaphylos glandulosa</i> ssp. <i>glandulosa</i>	Eastwood's Manzanita	AB
<i>Arctostaphylos montana</i> ssp. <i>montana</i>	Mt. Tamalpais Manzanita	LIST 1B.2 B
<i>Gaultheria shallon</i>	Salal	A
EUPHORBIACEAE (SPURGE FAMILY)		
<i>Croton setigerus</i>	Turkey Mullein	B
<i>Euphorbia oblongata</i>	Leafy Spurge	* B
<i>Euphorbia</i> sp.	Linear-leaved Spurge	*
FABACEAE (LEGUME FAMILY)		
<i>Acmispon americanus</i>	Spanish Clover	AB
<i>Acmispon brachycarpus</i>	Colchita	AB
<i>Acmispon glaber</i>	Deerweed	AB
<i>Acmispon parviflorus</i>	Hill Lotus	AB
<i>Acmispon wrangelianus</i>	Calf Lotus	B
<i>Astragalus gambelianus</i>	Tiny Loco Weed	B
<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	Scotch Broom	* AB
<i>Genista monspessulana</i>	French Broom	* A
<i>Hoita macrostachya</i>	American Hemp	
<i>Lathyrus latifolius</i>	Everlasting Pea	* B
<i>Lathyrus tingitanus</i>	Tangier Pea	* B
<i>Lathyrus vestitus</i> var. <i>vestitus</i>	Hillside Pea	AB
<i>Lupinus bicolor</i>	Dove Lupine	AB
<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>	Bur Clover	* B
<i>Melilotus indicus</i>	Yellow Sweet Clover	* B
<i>Rupertia physoides</i>	Ca. Tea-bush	
<i>Trifolium albopurpureum</i>	Indian Clover	B
<i>Trifolium bifidum</i>	Notched-leaf Clover	AB
<i>Trifolium depauperatum</i> var. <i>amplectens</i>	Balloon Clover	A
<i>Trifolium dubium</i>	Shamrock	* AB
<i>Trifolium fucatum</i>	Sour Clover	B
<i>Trifolium glomeratum</i>	Knobby Clover	* AB
<i>Trifolium hirtum</i>	Rose Clover	* B
<i>Trifolium incarnatum</i>	Crimson Clover	* B
<i>Trifolium microcephalum</i>	Maiden Clover	AB
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	* A

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<i>Trifolium subterraneum</i>	Subterranean Clover	* A
<i>Trifolium willdenovii</i>	Tomcat Clover	B
<i>Vicia sativa</i> ssp. <i>nigra</i>	Hairy Vetch	* AB
<i>Vicia villosa</i> var. <i>varia</i>	Blue-purple Vetch	*
FAGACEAE (OAK FAMILY)		
<i>Notholithocarpus densiflorus</i> var. <i>densiflorus</i>	Tanbark Oak	A
<i>Quercus agrifolia</i> var. <i>agrifolia</i>	Coast Live Oak	AB
<i>Quercus garryana</i> var. <i>garryana</i>	Oregon Oak	A
<i>Quercus kelloggii</i>	California Black Oak	A
<i>Quercus wislizeni</i> var. <i>frutescens</i>	Shrubby Chaparral Oak	A
GENTIANACEAE (GENTIAN FAMILY)		
<i>Centaurium tenuiflorum</i>	European Centaury	* B
GERANIACEAE (GERANIUM FAMILY)		
<i>Erodium botrys</i>	Broad-leaf Filaree	* AB
<i>Erodium brachycarpum</i>	Short-fruited Filaree	* B
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Red-stem Filaree	* B
<i>Geranium dissectum</i>	Cut-leaved Cranesbill	* B
IRIDACEAE (IRIS FAMILY)		
<i>Iris douglasiana</i> "var. <i>major</i> "	Douglas Iris	AB
<i>Sisyrinchium bellum</i>	Blue-eyed Grass	AB
JUNCACEAE (RUSH FAMILY)		
<i>Juncus bufonius</i> var. <i>bufonius</i>	Toad Rush	B
<i>Juncus patens</i>	Blue-green clump Rush	B
<i>Juncus tenuis</i>	Grass-leaved Rush	B
<i>Juncus xiphioides</i>	Iris-leaved Rush	B
LAMIACEAE (MINT FAMILY)		
<i>Clinopodium douglasii</i>	Yerba Buena	AB
<i>Lepechinia calycina</i>	Pitcher Sage	B
<i>Monardella purpurea</i>	Siskiyou Pennyroyal	S.L. B
<i>Monardella villosa</i> ssp. <i>villosa</i>	Coyote-mint	A
<i>Stachys rigida</i> var. <i>quercetorum</i>	Hedgenettle	AB
LAURACEAE (LAUREL FAMILY)		
<i>Umbellularia californica</i>	California Bay	AB
LILIACEAE (LILY FAMILY)		
<i>Calochortus luteus</i>	Yellow Mariposa	AB

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LINACEAE (FLAX FAMILY)		
Hesperolinon micranthum	Small-flowered flax	B
Linum bienne	Flax	* B
LYTHRACEAE (LOOSESTRIFE FAMILY)		
Lythrum hyssopifolium	Loosestrife	* B
MELANTHIACEAE (ZIGADENE FAMILY)		
Toxicoscordion fremontii	Fremont's Star Lily	AB
Toxicoscordion fontanum	Marsh Zigadene	LIST 1B B
MONTIACEAE (MINER'S-LETTUCE FAMILY)		
Claytonia perfoliata ssp. perfoliata	Miner's Lettuce	
MYRSINACEAE (PIMPERNEL FAMILY)		
Anagallis arvensis	Scarlet Pimpernel	* AB
Trientalis latifolia	Star-flower	A
OLEACEAE (OLIVE FAMILY)		
Fraxinus latifolia	Oregon Ash	B
ONAGRACEAE (EVENING-PRIMROSE FAMILY)		
Clarkia amoena ssp. huntiana	Farewell to Spring	A
Clarkia gracilis ssp. gracilis	Graceful Clarkia	B
Clarkia purpurea ssp. viminea	Wine-cup Clarkia	AB
Epilobium brachycarpum	Tall Willow-herb	B
Epilobium minutum	Small Willow-herb	B
ORCHIDACEAE (ORCHID FAMILY)		
Corallorhiza maculata var. maculata	Spotted Coralroot	
Corallorhiza maculata var. occidentalis	Unspotted Coralroot	B
OROBANCHACEAE (FIGWORT FAMILY)		
Castilleja foliolosa	Chaparral Paintbrush	B
Castilleja subinclusa ssp. franciscana	Franciscan Paintbrush	A
Pedicularis densiflora	Indian Warrior	A
PAPAVERACEAE (POPPY FAMILY)		
Eschscholzia californica	California Poppy	AB
Platystemon californicus	Cream-cup	B

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PHRYMACEAE (LOPSEED FAMILY)		
<i>Diplacus aurantiacus</i>	Bush Monkey-flower	AB
<i>Erythranthe guttata</i>	Seep Monkey-flower	
PINACEAE (PINE FAMILY)		
<i>Pinus sp.</i>	planted Pine	*
<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii var. menziesii</i>	Douglas-Fir	AB
PLANTAGINACEAE (PLANTAIN FAMILY)		
<i>Plantago erecta</i>	Dwarf Plantain	B
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort	* AB
POACEAE (GRASS FAMILY)		
<i>Agrostis avenacea</i>	Fragile Bentgrass	* B
<i>Agrostis exarata</i>	Annual Bentgrass	A
<i>Aira caryophylla</i>	Silver Hair Grass	* AB
<i>Avena barbata</i>	Slim Oat	* AB
<i>Brachypodium distachyon</i>	Silica Grass	* AB
<i>Briza maxima</i>	Rattlesnake Grass	* AB
<i>Briza minor</i>	Little Rattlesnake Grass	* B
<i>Bromus diandrus</i>	Ripgut Grass	* AB
<i>Bromus hordeaceus</i>	Soft Chess	* AB
<i>Bromus laevipes</i>	Woodland Brome	A
<i>Calamagrostis ophitidis</i>	Serpentine Reedgrass	LIST 4 B
<i>Cynosurus echinatus</i>	Dogtail	* AB
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	Orchard Grass	* AB
<i>Danthonia californica var. californica</i>	Ca. Oatgrass	AB
<i>Deschampsia elongata</i>	Slender Hairgrass	A
<i>Elymus glaucus ssp. glaucus</i>	Blue Wild-rye	AB
<i>Elymus multisetus</i>	Squirreltail	AB
<i>Festuca arundinacea</i>	Alta Fescue	* B
<i>Festuca idahoensis</i>	Idaho Fescue	B
<i>Festuca microstachys</i>	Annual Ca. native Fescue	B
<i>Festuca perennis</i>	Perennial Ryegrass	* A
<i>Gastridium phleoides</i>	Nitgrass	* A
<i>Holcus lanatus</i>	Velvet Grass	* AB
<i>Hordeum brachyantherum ssp. brachyantherum</i>	Ca. Meadow Barley	A
<i>Hordeum murinum ssp. leporinum</i>	Farmer's Foxtail	* B
<i>Melica torreyana</i>	Melicgrass	B
<i>Stipa lepida</i>	Needlegrass	AB
<i>Stipa pulchra</i>	Purple Needlegrass	AB

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<i>Paspalum distichum</i>	Bifid Ditchgrass	B
<i>Phalaris aquatica</i>	Harding Grass	* B
<i>Polypogon monspeliensis</i>	Rabbits' foot Grass	* B
POLEMONIACEAE (PHLOX FAMILY)		
<i>Collomia heterophylla</i>	Little Pink Collomia	A
<i>Gilia capitata</i> ssp. <i>capitata</i>	Blue-headed Gilia	B
<i>Leptosiphon acicularis</i>	Bristly Linanthus	LIST 4 B
<i>Leptosiphon androsaceus</i> (a no-purple-throat population)	Lavender-shower Linanthus	B
<i>Navarretia rosulata</i>	Marin County Navarretia	B
<i>Navarretia squarrosa</i>	Skunkweed	A
POLYGALACEAE (MILKWORT FAMILY)		
<i>Polygala californica</i>	Milkwort	AB
POLYGONACEAE (BUCKWHEAT FAMILY)		
<i>Eriogonum luteolum</i> var. <i>caninum</i>	Tiburon Buckwheat	LIST 3 B
<i>Eriogonum nudum</i> var. <i>nudum</i>	Nude Buckwheat	AB
<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	Sheep Sorrel	* AB
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	Curly Dock	* B
<i>Rumex pulcher</i>	Fiddle Dock	* B
<i>Rumex salicifolius</i> var. <i>salicifolius</i>	Willow Dock	B
POLYPODIACEAE (POLYPODY FAMILY)		
<i>Polypodium californicum</i> (& or <i>P. calirhiza</i>)	California Polypody Fern	A
PTERIDACEAE (BRAKE FERN FAMILY)		
<i>Aspidotis californica</i>		B
<i>Aspidotis densa</i>	Serpentine Fern	B
<i>Pellaea andromedifolia</i>	Coffee Fern	B
<i>Pellaea mucronata</i> var. <i>mucronata</i>	Bird's-foot Fern	B
<i>Pentagramma triangularis</i> ssp. <i>triangularis</i>	Goldback Fern	AB
RANUNCULACEAE (BUTTERCUP FAMILY)		
<i>Ranunculus californicus</i>	California Buttercup	B
RHAMNACEAE (BUCKTHORN FAMILY)		
<i>Ceanothus cuneatus</i> var. <i>cuneatus</i>	Blue Buck-brush	AB
<i>Ceanothus thrysiflorus</i>	Blue Blossom	A
<i>Frangula californica</i> ssp. <i>californica</i>	Coffee Berry	AB
<i>Rhamnus crocea</i>	Redberry	
ROSACEAE (ROSE FAMILY)		
<i>Acaena pinnatifida</i> var. <i>californica</i>	Ca. Bur	A

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<i>Adenostoma fasciculatum</i>	Chamise	AB
<i>Aphanes occidentalis</i>	Lady's Mantle	B
<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	Wild Strawberry	AB
<i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i>	Toyon	AB
<i>Holodiscus discolor</i>	Ocean-spray	A
<i>Horkelia californica</i> ssp. <i>dissita</i>	Sticky Horkelia	
<i>Rosa spithamea</i>	Sonoma Rose	A
<i>Rubus armeniacus</i>	Himalaya-berry	* B
<i>Rubus parviflorus</i>	Thimbleberry	A
<i>Rubus ursinus</i>	California Blackberry	AB
RUBIACEAE (MADDER FAMILY)		
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Goose Grass	* A
<i>Galium murale</i>	Tiny Bedstraw	
<i>Galium porrigens</i> var. <i>porrigens</i>	Climbing Bedstraw	AB
SAPINACEAE (MAPLE FAMILY)		
<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>	Big-leaf Maple	A
SELAGINELLACEAE (SPIKE-MOSS FAMILY)		
<i>Selaginella wallacei</i>	Wallace Spike-moss	S.L. B
TAXODIACEAE (BALD CYPRESS FAMILY)		
<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i>	Coast Redwood	A
THEMIDACEAE (BRODIAEA FAMILY)		
<i>Brodiaea elegans</i> ssp. <i>elegans</i>	Harvest Brodiaea	AB
<i>Triteleia laxa</i>	Ithuriel's Spear	AB
VERBENACEAE (VERVAIN FAMILY)		
<i>Verbena lasiostachys</i> var. <i>lasiostachys</i>	Seep Verbena	B

PLANT NAMES

Plant names are mostly as given in the 2012 JEPSON MANUA, also updates from Howell's Marin Flora New Edition, 2007.

NOTES

- A = located along ridge fire road along northern boundary
- B = located along trail/road from S. F. Drake Blvd. to ridge fire road along western boundary and all the serpentine area about halfway up
- * = non-native or introduced
- T.L. = type locality is in Marin County
- N.L. = northern limit is in Marin County
- S.L. = southern limit is in Marin County

LIST 1B = listed in the 2008 CNPS INVENTORY OF RARE AND ENDANGERED VASCULAR PLANTS OF CALIFORNIA as "rare and endangered plants of highest priority"

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LIST 3 = listed in the above INVENTORY as “plants about which we need more information”

LIST 4 = listed in the above INVENTORY as “plants of limited distribution ,a watch list”

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