NATIVE RIPARIAN TREES OF EASTERN MARIN



Big-leaf maple Deciduous leaves to 12" with 5 lobes, turning yellow in fall. Twigs stout. Bark gray-brown with shallow furrows. Seeds winged. Ht: to 80ft.



Yellow willow Deciduous leaves to 5", long-pointed, finely toothed, with pair of tiny glands near base. Twigs yellow. Bark dark and furrowed. Ht: to 50ft.



Box-elder Deciduous pale yellow-green leaves to 8" with 3 lobed leaflets. Bark dark. Flowers of male tree hang as pink tassel; female produces winged seeds. Ht: to 40ft.



Arroyo willow Deciduous leaves to 4", shiny above, pale below, widest beyond the middle. Bark of smaller trunks smooth. Flowers appear before leaves. Ht: to 35ft.



White alder Deciduous leaves to 31/2" with distinct veins, small teeth. Bark smooth and gray, ageing dark and fractured. Red alder has minutely curled-under leaf edges Ht: to 60ft.



Oregon ash Deciduous leaves to 13", with 5-7 leaflets. Dark opposing leaf buds contrast with gray of mature twigs. Bark dark and fractured. Female trees bear winged seeds. Ht: to 50ft.

flowers: March-May

Fraxinus latifolia

Note: leaf length includes the stalk; 'leaflets' are divisions of a leaf, which, if deciduous, falls as a whole.

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Tanoak Evergreen thick leaves to 5", with prominent parallel leaf veins. Bark dark, broken into irregular plates. Fat, slightly velvety acoms in bristly cups. Ht: to 60ft.



Coast live oak Evergreen leaves to 21/2", dark, shiny and convex above, with prickly edge. Bark smooth, gray, ageing dark with shallow furrows. Acorns long-pointed. Ht: to 50ft.



Redwood Evergreen blue-green leaves to 1" in flat sprays. Topmost leaves needle-like, encircling twig. Bark fibrous, reddish. Cones to 1". Ht: to 300ft.



Umbellularia californica

flowers: Dec-March

California bay Evergreen lustrous leaves to 3", spicy scented. Bark gray-brown, broken into irregular small plates. Fruits to 1" have appearance of small avocados. Ht: to 60ft.



Valley oak Deciduous lobed leaves to 3" on pendulous twigs. Trunk dark, broken into plates. Acorns large, redbrown. Ht: to 100ft. Oregon oak has larger, shiny leaf.



Buckeye Deciduous leaves to 10", with 5 leaflets, withering in late summer. Bark smooth and pale. Flowers white or rose, in upright 10" clusters. Poisonous nut to 2". Ht: to 30ft.

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