

Recommended reading for designing a Woodland landscape
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1. *Plants and Landscapes for Summer-Dry Climates of the San Francisco Bay Region*. East Bay Municipal Utility District. ISBN 0-9753231-1-3

Great introduction to appropriate plants for our area (some of the suggested plants will only do well in the Bay Area. For Woodland, look for plants recommended for zones 8, 9, or 14). Nice checklists for selecting plants by size, shade, etc. Some of the recommended plants can be found at the big box stores; most can be found at a good independent garden center.

2. *Designing California Native Gardens*. Glean Keator and Alrie Middlebrook. ISBN 0-520-25110-5

Best book there is to learn how to design a truly California garden. Nice pictures, lots of plant suggestions, and lists of where to see the suggested plants growing naturally. Recommended plants can be found at native plant nurseries and plant sales (see list below).

3. *California Native Plants for the Garden*. Carol Bornstein, David Fross, and Bart O'Brien. ISBN 0-9628505-8-6

Great introduction to California native plants that are appropriate for landscape use, with good pictures. Includes detailed, helpful checklists for selecting plants for a variety of situations. Recommended plants can be found at native plant nurseries and plant sales (see list below).

4. *Reimagining the California Lawn*. Carol Bornstein, David Fross, and Bart O'Brien. ISBN 978-0-9789971-2-0

The title says it all. Covers native and drought-tolerant turf species for California, but most of the book is devoted to turf alternatives. Includes detailed, helpful checklists for selecting plants for a variety of situations. Recommended plants can be found at native plant nurseries and plant sales (see list below). Sod grown from native species is available at Green Acres; plugs and seeds of appropriate grasses can also be purchased online.

Sources of drought tolerant and California native plants:

1. Cornflower Farms, Elk Grove, open to the public select weekends. www.cornflowerfarms.com
2. Delta EcoFarm, Walnut Grove, open to the public select weekends. www.hartlandnursery.com
3. Sacramento Chapter, CA Native Plant Society, public sales in September and April. www.sacvalleycnps.org
4. Floral Native Nursery, Chico, retail nursery. www.floralnativenursery.com
5. California Floral Nursery, Fulton, retail nursery. www.calfloranursery.com
6. Mostly Natives Nursery, Tomales, retail nursery. www.mostlynatives.com
7. Annie's Annuals and Perennials, Richmond, retail nursery. www.anniesannuals.com

Drought-tolerant plants and native sod:

1. Green Acres, 8501 Jackson Rd. (at the corner of Florin-Perkins), Sacramento. www.idiggreenacres.com