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## Garden for Gatherings

Garden Tour – September 13, 2015

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### Books:

- \**Landscape Plants for California Gardens: An Illustrated Reference of Plants for California Landscapes*, by Bob Perry. Land Design Publishing, Claremont, CA, 2010.
- \**Plants and Landscapes for Summer Dry-Climates of the San Francisco Bay Region*. East Bay Municipal Utility District, 2004.
- \**California Native Plants for the Garden*, by Carol Bornstein, David Fross, Bart O'Brien. Cachuma Press, Los Olivos, CA, 2005, 2007.
- Designing California Native Gardens*, by Glenn Keator and Alrie Middlebrook. University of California Press, CA, 2007.
- \**Reimagining the California Lawn: Water-conserving Plants, Practices, and Designs*, by Carol Bornstein, David Fross, Bart O'Brien. Cachuma Press, Los Olivos, CA, 2011.
- \**The New Sunset Western Garden Book*, Kathleen Norris Brenzel, ed. Sunset Publishing, Time Home Entertainment, Inc., New York, New York, 2012. (NOTE: This edition has close-up photos of the listed plants. \*Older editions may have more plants listed and more descriptive detail).
- The American Meadow Garden: Creating a Natural Alternative to the Traditional Lawn*, by John Greenlee and Saxon Holt. Timber Press, Inc., 2009.
- \**Bay Friendly Gardening: From Your Backyard to the Bay*, Bay Friendly Gardening (available at Napa County Resource Conservation District)
- Native Treasures: Gardening with the Plants of California*, by M. Nevin Smith. University of California Press, CA, 2006.
- The California Gardener's Book of Lists*, by Catherine Yronwode with Eileen Smith. Taylor Publishing Company, Dallas, Texas, 1998.
- California Gardener's Guide, Volume II*, by Nan Sherman. Cool Springs Press, TN, 2007.

### Websites:

- \*[ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS](http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS) (Water Use Classification of Landscape Species) Over 3000 plants categorized by local region, type and water usage.
- [www.bayfriendly.org](http://www.bayfriendly.org)
- <http://www.napa.watersavingplants.com> (Water-Wise Gardening in the Napa Valley)
- \*[http://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/arboretum\\_all\\_stars.aspx](http://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/arboretum_all_stars.aspx) (UC Davis Arboretum All-Stars - easy to grow, tough, reliable plants)
- <http://www.cnps.org/cnps/grownative/benefits.php> (Benefits of growing native plants)
- \*<http://www.napavalleycnps.org/index.php/martha-walker-garden> (Native plant garden in Napa)
- <http://www.napawatersheds.org> (Watershed information center and conservancy of Napa Co.)
- <http://www.napawatersheds.org/rainwater> (Watershed information center and conservancy of Napa County)
- [http://www.napawatersheds.org/files/managed/Document/6014/rain\\_gardens\\_swales.pdf](http://www.napawatersheds.org/files/managed/Document/6014/rain_gardens_swales.pdf)
- <http://www.naparcd.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Rain-Gardens-Swales.pdf> (Watershed management)

### Garden Owner's Favorites:

Resources: All of the above! I used the starred resources most often.

Tools: Green plant-Velcro for tying up tomatoes and other vines. Brilliant!  
My favorite hand trowel. It's funky, but a dear old friend.

Tricks: Low-budget trellis made of tree stakes and concrete reinforcing wire grids.  
Flagstones as movable stepping stones for weeding and plant care in beds.  
Old wire fencing or branch prunings crisscrossed on ground to deter visiting "poopers"!