November 8, 1pm
Tour the World’s Best
California Native Plant Garden

A 1 ½ hour guided tour of this beautiful garden, sponsored by the Jepson CNPS Chapter.

The Regional Parks Botanic Garden is a naturally beautiful and tranquil living museum of California native plants. Located within Tilden Park in the hills above Berkeley, California, this enchanting 10-acre garden is a sanctuary for many of the state's rare and endangered plants and a place for visitors to wander among trees, shrubs, flowers, and grasses from plant communities throughout the state.

The garden's primary role is to create beautiful landscapes displaying California's diverse plant life. Its mission embraces not only aesthetics, but also native plant conservation, public education, and horticultural experimentation designed to bring new native plants into the nursery trade.

Since the garden's establishment in 1940, its collection has grown to include thousands of plant species and varieties, many identified with interpretive labels. Notable among the specimens from all corners of the state are some of the broadest representations of California's unique plant groups. These include nearly all of California's conifers and oaks as well as collections of California manzanitas (*Arctostaphylos*), wild lilacs (*Ceanothus*), grasses, aquatic plants, and flowering bulbs that are among the most complete to be found anywhere.

Park on Anza View Rd and meet at the Garden’s west gate on Anza View Rd, at 1pm. Directions can be found here: [http://www.nativeplants.org/directions.html](http://www.nativeplants.org/directions.html)

Alternatively, you can attend a lecture (topic will be related to natural history) in the Visitor Center at 10:30, bring your lunch, then join us for the tour at 1pm at the West Gate. The lecture topic will be posted in the next several weeks at this website: [http://www.nativeplants.org/roderick.html](http://www.nativeplants.org/roderick.html)