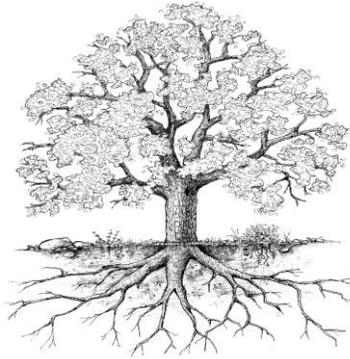


# Santa Barbara Botanic Garden

## School Programs 2018-2019



***Inspire your students in our native plant garden!***

Connecting with nature fosters life-long interest in the sciences and our world. Our California native plant garden is an ideal outdoor classroom that engages students in exploring the wonders of nature through interactive learning experiences, and inspires environmental stewardship. Santa Barbara Botanic Garden school programs align with Common Core Standards for California Public Schools, California Environmental Education Initiative and Next Generation Science Standards.

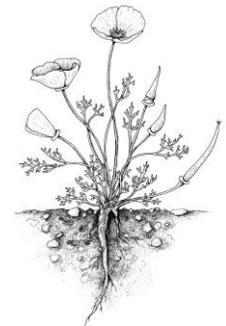
### **Docent-Led Educational Tours**

#### **Nature Walk**

**Grades K–2** (60-minute program)

Explore the native plant communities of California: deserts, wetlands, oak woodlands, chaparral, redwood forest, and riparian. Discover the value of native plants in their environment and how they are influenced by local geography, geology, and climate. Look for native animals, learn about plants used by the Chumash Indians, and visit the historic Mission Dam.

*Fees: \$75.00 per class maximum 30 students\**



#### **Habitat Hike**

**Grades 3–5** (60-minute program)

Plants and animals have special features and adaptations that enable them to thrive in their particular environments. In this introduction to ecology, students learn many fascinating ways in which plants and animals are able to meet the challenges provided by their local habitats and how they interact in their environment. Programs for sixth-grade include a more in-depth discussion of food webs and energy flow.

*Fees: \$75.00 per class maximum 30 students\**

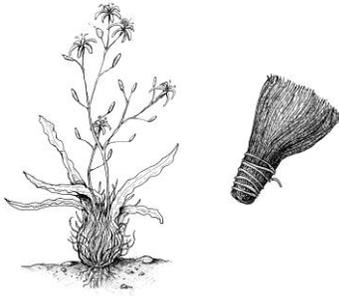
*\*(Limited 31-60 student tours available October 3-December 7 2018)*

## Chumash Uses of Native Plants

**Grade 3-4** (90-minute program)

Students will experience how native people lived off the land through hands-on stations that explore native plant species the Chumash favored for making food, clothing, shelter, and more. Explore and touch animal skins, acorns, fibers, clapper sticks, and Chumash games. Learn how their relationship with nature fostered a culture of respect, resourcefulness, and sustainability.

*Fees: \$150 per class maximum 30 students – limited availability*

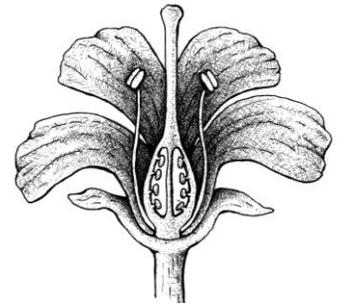


## Seasonal Focus Tour with Lab

**Grades 3-5** (120-minute program)

Join us in the Garden's Plant Lab for a microscopic investigation of some special plants of the season. We'll discuss pollination, plant respiration, adaptations, and more. Before or after the lab investigation, join docents on a Garden tour to learn about more of the adaptations of our California natives.

*Fees: \$125 per class maximum 30 students*



**Curriculum Standards:** Santa Barbara Botanic Garden's school tours meet Common Core California Curriculum standards, California Environmental Education Initiative and Next Generation Science Standards. Topics addressed during our school programs include structure, function, and growth requirements of plants, plant and animal diversity and life cycles, ecology, adaptation, and conservation, food webs, rare and endangered plants and habitats, sustainability, and Chumash uses of plants.



# Reservation Information

**School Tours** are scheduled on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30am. 10am start times may be requested for schools located outside of Santa Barbara or Goleta. For groups of 31-60 students, Nature Walk or Habitat Hike tours are available on Wednesdays and Fridays from October 3 to December 7, otherwise, teachers must reserve multiple tour dates.



## Fees:

- \$75 per class of up to 30 students for Nature Walk and Habitat Hike tours.
- \$150 per class of up to 30 students maximum for Chumash Uses tour
- \$125 per class of up to 30 students maximum for Seasonal Focus Lab/Tour.

*Teacher-directed, self-guided school tours may be arranged with a reduced entrance fee. Instructional labs may be scheduled for groups of 30 students max for an additional fee.*

To make a reservation or for further information, visit our website at [www.sbbg.org/school-programs](http://www.sbbg.org/school-programs)

*Please email us at [tours@sbbg.org](mailto:tours@sbbg.org) to learn about the availability of tour discounts and busing scholarships for classes with over 50% of students on free or reduced lunches.*

## Important Notes

**Reservations** are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Programs should be scheduled at least **3-4 months in advance as availability is very limited**. We will make every effort to schedule you as close as possible to the date you choose.

**Tour Capacity:** We can accommodate a maximum of one tour of **30 students/day**. Large groups of no more than 60 can be accommodated October through December (see above). Cost is determined based on the number of classes.

**Rain Dates:** The final two weeks of May are reserved for rescheduling programs cancelled due to inclement weather.

**Payment is due 30 days after your reservation has been made. Failure to provide payment by the designated date will result in a cancellation of your tour.** Please make checks payable to: **Santa Barbara Botanic Garden** c/o Registrar, 1212 Mission Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.

**Cancellations:** In the event that you choose to cancel due to inclement weather, please contact the Education Department. If you would like to reschedule, we will try to accommodate your group at a later time if Docent guides or instructors are available. **Cancellations must be received two weeks prior to tour for a refund.**