

## Native Plants

For millenia native coastal scrub, coastal prairie, riparian, and dune vegetation covered Lands End, providing a rich wildlife habitat and helping to prevent erosion on cliffs and dunes.

Landscaping, grading, and construction activities over the last one hundred fifty years have impacted native plant communities, reducing their coverage areas and introducing new species. These non-native species compete with native Arroyo willow, seaside daisy, California poppy, dune grass, salt rush, coyote brush, and red alder - to name a few - and limit the habitat available for animal species that depend on native plant communities for survival.

The Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy has worked with many community volunteer groups to restore native plants and improve habitat health at Lands End.



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A California poppy along the Lands End Coastal Trail.