

Species of Strawberry Creek

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Insects

Western Honey Bee

Apis Mellifera

Like all honey bees, the western honey bee is eusocial, meaning it creates colonies with a single fertile female or "queen" bee.



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Monarch Butterfly

Danaus plexippus

The monarch butterfly has wings that feature an easily recognizable black, orange, and white pattern. Wingspan ranges from 3.5-4.0 inches.



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Vivid Dancer

Argia Vivida

Similar to a dragonflies shape, the Vivid Dancer features skinny long wings and a skinny long body. The colors vary but are most commonly blue and silver in color.



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Umber Skipper

Poanes melane

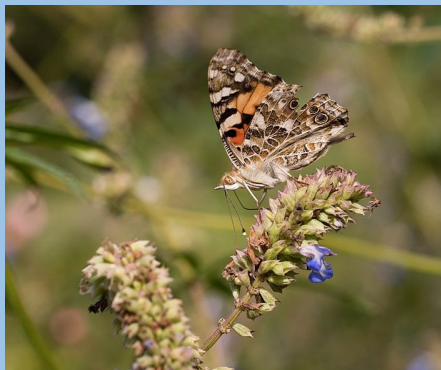
The wings are umber brown, and the forewing has a darker disc and pale spots. The hindwing has a light yellow-brown band.



Painted Lady

Vanessa Cardui

The painted lady is a large butterfly (2.0-3.5 in.) identified best by the black and white corners of its mainly orange, black-spotted wings. It has white spots in the black forewing tips.



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Spotted Cucumber Beetle

Diabrotica

Undecimpunctata

Adult beetles are greenish-yellow with six large black spots on each elytron. They are about 0.5 cm long.



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Gray Hairstreak

Strymon Melinus

This is the most commonly found Hairstreak in all of North America. The wings are a silvery- gray color as the name suggests.

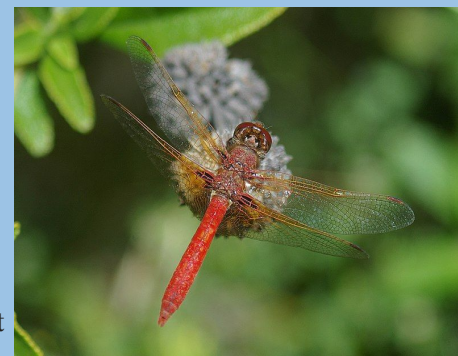


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Cardinal Meadowhawk

Sympetrum fonscolombii

Most commonly seen flying in late summer and autumn, they are yellow-gold as juveniles, but males and some females become bright red on part or all of their bodies.



Pipevine

Swallowtail

Battus philenor

The wings are black with orange spots. It also has iridescent-blue hindwings



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Gulf Fritillary

Agraulis Vanilla

The underside of the wings are brown and speckled with silvery white dots. In contrast, the top surface layer of the wings is a deep orange in color with black streaks running across.



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Asian Lady Beetle

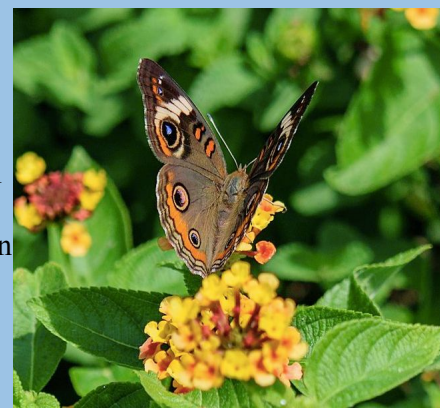
Harmonia Vanilla

The Asian Lady Beetle has a typical beetle shape and structure, being domed and having a "smooth" transition between its elytra (wing coverings) and head. The common color is orange or red in colouration with 0–22 black spots of variable size.



Common Buckeye

The Common buckeye butterflies are colored brown with eyespots that tend to be large. They also exhibit green overtones and have wings that span between 2 and 2.5 inches.



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Spiders

Cross Orbweaver

Araneus diadematus

Variable colourings that range from extremely light yellow to very dark grey, all have white markings across the dorsal abdomen, with four or more segments forming a cross.



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Noble False Widow

Steatoda nobilis

this spider is often misidentified as the poisonous black widow. It has a brown bulbous abdomen with cream coloured markings.

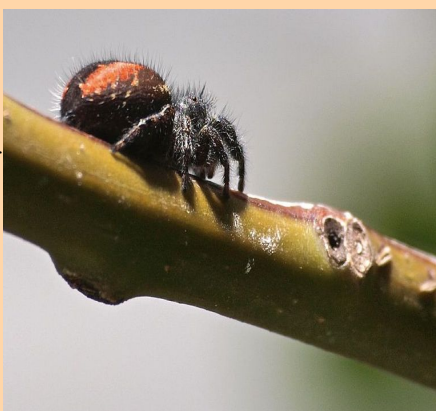


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Red-Backed Jumping Spider

Phidippus Johnsoni

Tend to be about a centimeter in length. Both sexes have a bright red abdomen surrounding the rest of its black body; In addition the female has a black central stripe.

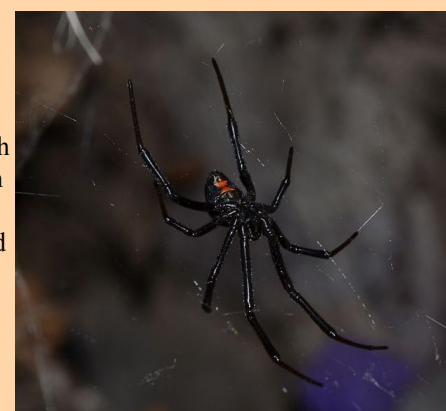


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Western Black Widow

Latrodectus hesperus

The female body is all black with an hourglass shaped red mark on the lower abdomen. The male spiders of this species are around half the length of females and generally are a tan color with lighter striping on the abdomen.



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False Black Widow

Steatoda grossa

Color ranges from pale brown to red to satiny black. They have been found with white or beige to orange markings.



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Triangulate Comb-foot

Steatoda Triangulosa

The adult female is 1/8 to 1/4 inch in length, with a brownish-orange cephalothorax, yellowish legs, and tiny hairs. The round, bulbous abdomen is creamy in color, with parallel purpley-brown zigzag lines running front to back.



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Trees

Cherry Plum

Prunus Cerasifera

Wild types are large shrubs or small trees reaching 25–40 feet tall, sometimes spiny, with red leaves that are 1.5–2.5 inches long. The flowers are often white, or a pale pink



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California Buckeye

Aesculus Californica

Ranging from 13- 39 ft tall, with gray bark often coated with lichens and mosses, The leaves are dark green, The flowers are white to pale pink in color

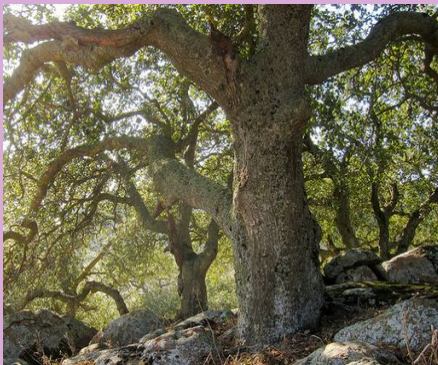


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Coast Live Oak

Quercus Agrifolia

Heights ranging between 33–82 ft, The trunk, particularly for older trees, may be highly contorted. The leaves are dark green, and oval shaped.



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Eurabbie

Eucalyptus Globulus

Long strands of shredded bark, The leaves are about 6 to 15 cm long and covered with a blue-grey, waxy bloom, which is the origin of the common name "blue gum"

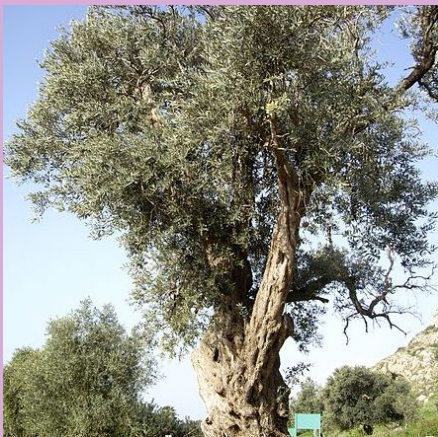


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Olive Tree

Olea Europaea

Trees are short and squat, and rarely exceed 26–49 ft in height. The trees have small, white, feathery flowers



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Coast Redwood

Sequoia Sempervirens

The coast redwood can reach 377 feet tall with a trunk diameter of 30 ft, often recognized as the tallest of all species of trees. The bark can be very thick and soft with a bright red-brown color when freshly exposed and a darker brown color when weathered



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Mammals

Fox Squirrel

Sciurus niger
Upper body is brown-grey to brown-yellow with a typically brownish-orange underside



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Mule Deer

Odocoileus hemionus
Named this way because of its large, "mule" like ears. The Mule deer has a black tipped tail, and a nose-to-tail length ranging from 4 to 7 feet

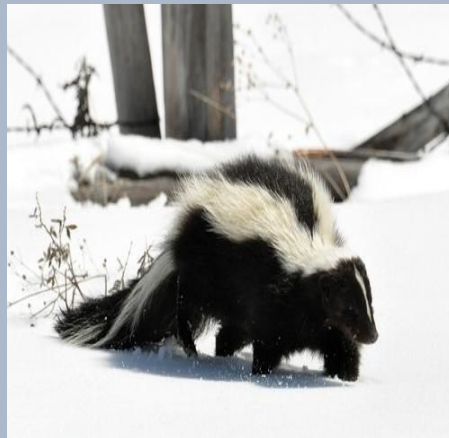


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Striped Skunk

Mephitis mephitis

Black fur with white stripe from head to tail. 1.7-2.5 ft long body. Primarily eats insects, but also vegetables and small vertebrates.



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Virginia Opossum

Didelphis virginiana

Dull, gray-brown body with white face and long, hairless tail. Nests in wood piles and hisses in defense



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Common Raccoon

Procyon lotor
It's grayish coat mostly consists of dense underfur which insulates it against cold weather. Its distinctive features are its extremely dexterous front paws, its facial mask, and its ringed tail



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Gray Fox

Urocyon cinereoargenteus
The gray fox displays white on the ears, throat, chest, belly and hind legs. Distinguishable by its black stripe down its tail and strong neck.



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Broad-footed Mole

Scapanus latimanus
The broad-footed mole can be distinguished from other species of *Scapanus* by its dark brown to silvery fur.



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Botta's Pocket Gopher

Thomomys bottae
7.1 to 10.6 inches in length. Botta's gopher generally lacks the black stripe down the middle of the back found in the closely related southern pocket gopher



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Fungus

Amanita

Amanita Muscaria

This mushroom is large white-gilled, white-spotted, and usually red. It is categorized as poisonous but reported human deaths amongst ingestion is rare



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Latticed Stinkhorn

Clathrus Ruber

The fruiting body is egg-shaped, white to grayish in color, with a gelatinous interior up to 0.1 in thick. After the volva opens, this fungi becomes much more distinguishable by its red cage structure



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Redlead Roundhead

Leratiomyces Ceres

This mushroom has a bright red to orange cap and dark purple-brown spore deposit. It's usually found growing gregariously on wood chips.



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Sulphur Tuft

Hypholoma Fasciculare

Often growing in large clumps in and around tree stumps, the mushroom cap can reach 2 inches in diameter and is yellow with an orange-brown centre and whitish margin.

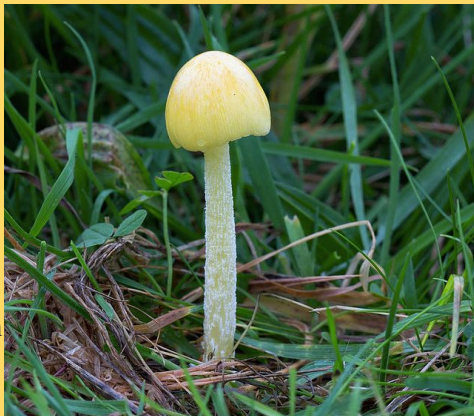


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Yellow Fieldcap

Bolbitius titubans

The mushrooms cap is between 1.5–5 cm, and grows egg-shaped when young but finally ending up nearly flat with time. The cap's color starts yellow and fades to whitish or greyish with age



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Mowers Mushroom

Panaeolina Foenisecii

This mushroom has a chestnut brown to tan cap that spans 1.5 to 3 cm across. It often has a dark band around the margin which fades as the mushroom dries.



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Yellow Stainer

Agaricus xanthodermus

It is initially convex, with some young specimens having a squarish shape, though flattening with age. It is whitish, with light brown tints towards the centre. The cap is dry and smooth, but can be scaly when old



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Turkey Tail

Trametes versicolor

Most often found on dead hardwood logs and stumps. Its cap colors are extremely variable, but tend to in the brown, cinnamon, and reddish brown range. It is extremely identifiable because of its sharply contrasting zones of color, and the surface of the cap is finely fuzzy or velvety.



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Mulch Maids

Leratiomyces percevalii

The cap of this mushroom is generally honey yellow when young but soon turns more white with age



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Hare's foot

Inkcap

Coprinopsis lagopus

The cap of this mushroom is densely hairy when young, but can be nearly smooth by maturity. Like most other "inky caps," its gills liquefy and produce a black "ink" as the spores mature and the cap peels upwards.



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Plants

Shepherd's Purse

Capsella Bursa-Pastoris

Stems of this plant bear pointed leaves, The flowers, are white and small, about an inch in diameter, with four petals and six stamens



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Great Horsetail

Equisetum telmateia

It is a herbaceous perennial plant, with separate green stems, and pale yellowish stems



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Bay Laurel

Laurus Nobilis

This is an aromatic evergreen tree or large shrub with green, glabrous (smooth and hairless) leaves



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Common Ivy

Hedera helix

This is a climbing plant, growing to 66–98 ft high where suitable surfaces (trees, cliffs, walls) are available, these are also growing as groundcover where no vertical surfaces occur. The Ivy leaves are a greenish- yellow color.



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Greater Periwinkle

Vinca Major

This is a trailing vine, spreading along the ground and rooting along the stems to form dense masses of groundcover. The leaves are broad with a glossy green color, and a leathery texture.



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Nasturtium

Tropaeolum majus

This is an intensely bright flower, with rounded, shield-shaped leaves. The flowers have five petals, often orange in color, and a funnel-shaped nectar spur at the back.



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California

Poppy

Eschscholzia californica
Height varies from 0.5 to 4.5 ft. 4-petaled flower on silky stems, closing at night or in cold weather.



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California Buckeye

Aesculus californica
13-40 ft tall, with sweet-scented flowers ranging from white to pale pink that go into dormancy in summer.

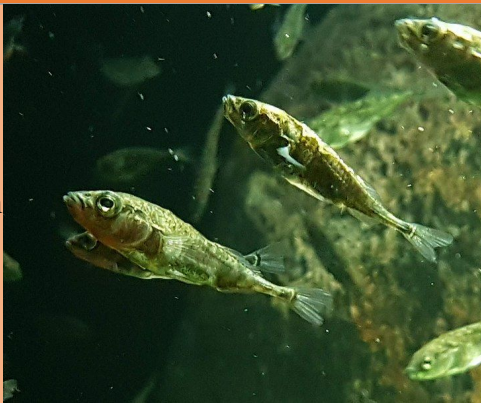


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Fish/Aquatic Insects

Three-Spined Stickleback

Gasterosteus aculeatus
Bright yellow cap fades with age and is less than 2 in in diameter. Stem is less than 4 in tall.



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California Roach Minnow

Hesperoleucis symmetricus
Very small cap that is minutely hairy in texture and hazel brown.



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Hitch Minnow

Lavinia exilicauda
Moss-like, green to pale green, and bunched. Primary food source for reindeer and caribou.



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Mayfly

Ephemeroptera
An aquatic insect, the mayfly has an elongated body. Coloring is commonly brown



Amphibians

Arboreal Salamander

Aneides lugubrus
Known for being an excellent climber
Purplish-brown coloring, usually containing gold spots along its dorsal.



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California Slender Salamander

Batrachoseps attenuatus
7-13 cm in length, the typical coloring ranges from black to a reddish brown.



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