

## **Oregon Plant Information Resources - Abbreviated**

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### **Recommended Books - Annotated**

#### **General References/field guides**

1. Plants of the Pacific Northwest Coast - Washington, Oregon, British Columbia and Alaska. Vancouver. 2016. J. Pojar and A. McKinnon. Lone Pine Publishing. 527 pages. [Although for west-side plants, many species have distributions into eastern Oregon and the book is full of natural history information about the species and includes grasses, ferns, mosses, and lichens.]
2. Wildflowers of the Pacific Northwest. 2006. Mark Turner and Phyllis Gustafson. Timber Press, Inc., Portland, Oregon. 511 pages. [beautiful photo guide organized by flower color and petal number; spans east and west sides of Oregon and Washington!]
3. Trees and Shrubs of the Pacific Northwest. 2014. Mark Turner and Ellen Kuhlman. Timber Press, Inc., Portland, Oregon. Cover 568 species of woody plants that can be found in Oregon, Washington, British Columbia, and northern California.
4. Pacific Coast Tree Finder. 1973. Tom Watts. 62 pp [Simple to use, non-technical and it covers California, Oregon and Washington.]
5. Trees to Know in Oregon. 2005. Edward C. Jensen and Charles R. Ross. Corvallis, Oregon State University Extension Service. [Simple guide with nice non-technical descriptions and information on distribution, natural history, economic importance, etc.; some introduced trees and shrubs also covered]
6. Shrubs to Know in Pacific Northwest Forests. 2013. Edward C. Jensen. Corvallis, Oregon State University Extension Service. EC 1640.
7. Sagebrush Country, A Wildflower Sanctuary. 1992. Ronald Taylor. Non-technical guide to wildflowers of eastern Oregon with photographs.
8. Links to common plants, rare plants and weeds of Klamath region – free downloads: <http://rabeconsulting.com/publications/>
9. Forest Plants of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation. 1988. Richard Helliwell. Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. 178 pages.

## Weeds

1. Weeds of California and other Western States. Volumes 1 and 2. 2007. J.M. Ditomaso and E.A. Healy. University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources. Publication 3488. 1808 pp. [beautiful color photos with close-ups of seeds and plant characteristics for identification, succinct and good information, huge number of species covered; arranged by family]
2. Weeds of the West. 1992. Tom D. Whitson, Larry C. Burrill, Steven A. Dewey, David W. Cudney, B.E. Nelson, Richard D. Lee, & Robert Parker. University of Wyoming. Jackson, WY. 630 pp. [great photos and information for weeds across Oregon; still a very good single-volume guide with a great number of species covered; arranged by family]

## “Best-Of” Web-Resources

**PLANTS Database:** <https://plants.usda.gov/java/>

- \*Culturally Significant Plants - <https://plants.usda.gov/java/factSheet?cultural=yes>
- \*Fact Sheets and Plant Guides - <https://plants.usda.gov/java/factSheet>
- 2016 Wetland Plant List – <https://plants.usda.gov/core/wetlandSearch>
- Pollinator-related information - <https://plants.usda.gov/pollinators/nrcsdocuments.html>



**Plant Material Centers (PMCs)** – Four different PMCs test and develop new plants and plant material technologies for use in Oregon. The following web-sites contain information about each Center, current studies and activities, plant releases, riparian and wetland tools, technical notes, and plant fact sheets. The Corvallis PMC services the western side of the State while the Aberdeen, Fallon, and Pullman PMC’s service the eastern side of the State.

- Aberdeen (Idaho) Plant Materials Center - <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/plantmaterials/pmc/west/idpmc/>
- Corvallis (Oregon) Plant Materials Center - <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/plantmaterials/pmc/west/orpmc/>
- Fallon (Nevada) Plant Materials Center - <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/plantmaterials/pmc/west/nvpmc/>
- Pullman (Washington) Plant Materials Center - <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/plantmaterials/pmc/west/wapmc/>

### **\*Plant Materials Program - Information by Topic:**

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/plantmaterials/technical/publications/>

- \*Ethnobotany -  
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/rpublications/plantmaterials/technical/publications/?ptype=EB>
  - Culturally Significant Plants -  
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/plantmaterials/technical/publications/?cid=stelprdb1043052>
  - Indigenous Stewardship Methods -  
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/plantmaterials/technical/publications/?cid=stelprdb1045246>
- \*Pollinator Habitat -  
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/plantmaterials/technical/publications/?cid=stelprdb1044847>

### **General**

1. \*Ecoshare - Interagency Clearinghouse of Ecological Information - incredible amount of information at this site including (Caution - Download files can be very large!): <https://ecoshare.info/category/publications/>
  - a. Lots of Plant Association and/or Plant community guides for various regions of Oregon and Washington
  - b. Field guides to Riparian plant communities
  - c. Field guides for plants of various regions of Oregon and Washington
2. \*Government Land Office Surveys by Township and Range – Historic Vegetation <http://www.blm.gov/or/landrecords/survey/ySrvy1.php>
3. \*Fire effects information system database – lots of information about individual plant species: <https://www.feis-crs.org/feis/>
4. Pacific Northwest Wildflowers – terrific photos and info; above and beyond the book that was recently published by these authors <http://www.pnwflowers.com/>
5. \*Oregon Flora:
  - a. The Oregon - Flora Photo gallery <http://www.oregonflora.org/gallery.php>
  - b. Oregon Flora - Plant Atlas <http://www.oregonflora.org/atlas.php>
  - c. Gardening portal – for finding nurseries with specific native plants <http://oregonflora.org/gardening.php>
6. \*Burke Museum of Natural History – Excellent Photo Collection <http://biology.burke.washington.edu/herbarium/imagecollection.php>

### **Plant Selection Tools**

1. Native plants for Willamette Valley yards booklet – <http://www.oregonmetro.gov/native-plants-willamette-valley-yards-booklet>
2. Washington Native Plant Society - native plants for Western Washington <http://www.wnps.org/landscaping/index.html>

3. King County – native plant selection tool - <https://green2.kingcounty.gov/gonative/Plant.aspx?Act=search>
4. \*California Native Plant Society website - plant descriptions, maps of occurrence, photos, and nurseries where plant can be purchased: <http://calscape.org/>
5. Oregon – soon to come – plant selection tool

### **Noxious Weed Information**

1. \*Oregon Department of Agriculture Weed web-page – weed lists for Oregon with profiles, control info, grant info, etc. <http://oregon.gov/ODA/PLANT/WEEDS/>
2. Weed ID for Washington Noxious Plants <http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/search.asp>

### **T&E and Rare Plant Information**

1. State of Oregon Listed Plants <http://www.oregon.gov/ODA/programs/PlantConservation/Pages/AboutPlants.aspx>
2. Flora Project – info on rare plants of Oregon (Federal-listed [but not all] and State-listed and species of concern) <http://www.oregonflora.org/rareplants/index.php>