A coloring book of native California trees, shrubs, and wildflowers.

Santa Barbara Botanic Garden
Scarlet Monkeyflower grows along stream banks in all parts of California.

Lewis’s Monkeyflower has purple-pink flowers. It grows along stream banks in the Sierra Nevada.
Tiny, sticky glands cover the leaves and stems of this plant. The flowers are deep blue.
Both of these plants are found in open grassy places.

Golden Stars are in the Lily Family.

Blue Eyed Grass is in the Iris Family.
California Wild Rose grows in moist places throughout California.

Cluster Rose has white petals and yellow stamens. It grows in the northern part of the state.

California Wild Rose has pale pink flowers and bright red fruits.
The fleshy stems and leaves are gray-green. The flowers are orange or reddish.

This plant grows on rocky slopes and cliffs.

Rock Lettuce
The flowers of Chicory are pale blue.

Both of these summer flowers are in the Daisy Family.

Chicory

Gum Plant

This plant has stiff, dark green leaves and yellow flowers.
These flowers are often seen along roadsides in the summer time.

Golden Yarrow

Common California Aster

The flowers are pale lavender.

The stems of Golden Yarrow are gray-green; the flowers are deep yellow.
Both of these plants grow on beaches and both have bright yellow flowers.

**Beach Primrose**
has gray-green leaves.

The leaves of **Silverweed** are bright green above and silvery on the underside.

**Silverweed**
Bush Sunflower grows on sunny hillsides. The flower centers are brown and the petals are yellow.

Bush Sunflower

Tidy Tips

These flowers have dark yellow centers and pale yellow petals with white tips.
Indian Paintbrush produces bright red flowers among its red bracts.

Black Sage has dark green leaves and lavender flowers.
Most of the drawings in this book were first published by the Santa Barbara News Press in the column, Plant of the Week. These plants grow in many parts of California and will be found in woodlands, meadows, and along roadsides.
California Fuchsia has bright red flowers and gray-green leaves. It blooms in late summer and fall.

Snow Plant blooms while there is still snow on the ground. The entire plant is bright red.
The twigs of Creek Dogwood are bright red-purple. The flowers are cream-colored.

Creek Dogwood

Barberry has dark green leaves and blue berries.

The berries were eaten by the Indians and used to prepare a drink.

A yellow dye was made from the roots and stems.
Manzanitas have dark red-brown bark and white or pale pink flowers.

**Fremontia** is a large shrub with bright yellow flowers.

**White-leaf Manzanita**

Manzanita means "little apple" in Spanish.

The berries were an important food for the Indians.

**Hooker Manzanita**
Honeysuckle
Penstemon

This plant has bright red-orange flowers. It blooms in the summer.

Chaparral Clematis is a vine with cream-colored flowers. It grows on other trees and shrubs and flowers in the spring.

Chaparral Clematis
The leaves of this shrub have gland-tipped hairs which give the plant a dull green color. The flowers are pale pink.

Chaparral Currant
Shooting Stars grow in open grassy places. They have pink flowers in the spring.

Johnny-Jump-Ups have yellow flowers with brown faces.
Western Choke Cherry

This shrub has white flowers and bright green leaves.

The fruits are small, dark red cherries which turn nearly black in the fall.
This tree is used to make maple furniture.

In the early days the northern California maple trees were tapped for their syrup.

Bigleaf Maple

Maple trees have seeds with wings that grow from small red flowers.
The fruit is yellowish-green when young and becomes purplish when mature.

California Bay

The leaves of the Bay tree have a very strong odor. They were used by the Indians for insect repellent, for flavoring, and to protect against colds.
Cottonwoods are large trees that usually grow along streamsides or in wet woodlands. They are in the Willow Family.

Los Alamos means cottonwood in Spanish. It was named for the Fremont Cottonwoods that occur in that area.

The seeds of Cottonwoods have fine white cottony hairs attached to them.

Black Cottonwood has shiny brown buds.
California Plants to Color

Canyon Sunflower

For Dick
From Jack

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There are many kinds of oak in California. Some are evergreen; others lose their leaves in the fall.

The leaves of **Black Oak** turn yellow or red in the fall before they drop from the tree.

**Goldencup Oak** has evergreen leaves.
Acorns were an important food for the Indians. They were prepared in many ways and were made into soup or ground into meal and made into cakes.

Coast Live Oak is evergreen.

Valley Oak loses its leaves in the winter.
The seeds of Mountain Ash have wings and are blown by the wind.

This plant may be a large shrub or a small tree. It has bright green leaves and yellow-green flowers.
Both these trees grow along streamsides.

A tea made from the leaves of White Alder was used by the Indians as a cure for stomach aches. They made a yellow dye from the bark.

The upper side of a Sycamore leaf is light green and the underside is paler and very fuzzy.

The seeds of this tree are found in bristly brown seed pods which hang down among the leaves.
The Santa Barbara Botanic Garden is a display garden of plants that grow wild in California. It has many interesting trails that are fun to explore. The Nature Trail follows Mission Creek and leads to the Old Mission Dam built by the Indians in 1807. Along these trails you will see many plants that you have colored in this book. The Santa Barbara Botanic Garden is open without charge every day from 8:00 a.m. to sunset.
Wood Strawberry
Chinese Houses
grow in shaded
areas throughout
California. The flowers
are white and pale
lavender.

Baby Blue Eyes
have pale blue
flowers with
white centers.
These bright yellow buttercups grow in meadows and woodlands.

In the early days the Indians ate the seeds of Buttercups. When roasted, they taste very much like corn.
The leaves of Indian Pink are gray-green. The flowers are bright red.

Clarkia

The flowers of this annual are pink or lavender. The long narrow capsules below the flowers contain brown seeds.
California Poppy is the state flower. Its petals are bright orange.

This Mariposa Lily has yellow flowers.
False Lupine is in the Bean Family. Its flowers are bright yellow.

False Lupine

This plant gets its name from its heart-shaped rose-purple flowers.

Bleeding Heart
Wallflowers can be found in many parts of California. Some grow on beaches and others grow in the desert. The flowers may be yellow or deep orange.