

Evans Creek Preserve was logged and continuously farmed for at least 100 years before being purchased by the City of Sammamish in 2000. It encompasses wetlands, meadows and a hillside forest.

Five hundred years ago this land would have been covered with a thick evergreen and hardwood forest supporting a wide range of plant life and a diverse animal community. Removal of forest trees for human use increases the amount of light that reaches the forest floor. As a result introduced weeds overpower native forest vegetation for space, nutrients, and water and often win.



In 2019 WNPS Stewards began working to restore a oneacre section of the preserve to native forest. Volunteers planted 1,800 native trees, shrubs, and herbaceous perennials in this site after removing introduced blackberries, English hollies and other invasive plants. The diversity of plant life encourages diversity of animal species. The many flowering and fruiting native plants provide habitat for a wide range of animals—including insects, butterflies, deer, black bears, hawks, songbirds and beavers.

Planting Native Plants for Diversity and Wildlife

- As well as:
- Sitka spruce
- Grand firCascara
- Vine maple
- Salal
- Deer fern
- Kinnikinnick
- Twinberry
- Thimbleberry
- Huckleberry
 And more

Rose Occa





Mock orange

Red elderberry

Osoberry

PLANT LIST FOR RESTORATION

Common name

Scientific name

Abies grandis

Trees

grand fir Pacific madrone Sitka spruce Douglas-fir western redcedar western hemlock bigleaf maple red alder

Shrubs

vine maple beaked hazelnut cascara salal oceanspray twinberry tall Oregon grape dull Oregon grape osoberry/indian plum mock orange Pacific ninebark baldhip rose Nootka rose blackcap raspberry thimbleberry salmonberry trailing blackberry red elderberry snowberry evergreen huckleberry Arbutus menziesii Picea sitchensis Pseudotsuga menziesii Thuja plicata Tsuga heterophylla Acer macrophyllum Alnus rubra Acer circinatum

Corylus cornuta Franqula purshiana Gaultheria shallon Holodiscus discolor Lonicera involucrata Mahonia aquifolium Mahonia nervosa *Oemleria cerasiformis* Philadelphus lewisii Physocarpus capitatus Rosa gymnocarpa Rosa nutkana Rubus leucodermis Rubus parviflorus Rubus spectabilis Rubus ursinus Sambucus racemosa Symphoricarpos albus Vaccinium ovatum

Ferns and Herbaceous plants

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