

***Malacothamnus hallii* (Eastw.) Kearney**

HALL'S BUSH-MALLOW

Malvaceae

Status:

CNPS Rare Plant Rank 1B.2

Federal: unlisted

State: unlisted

State Rank: S2

Habitat: Open chaparral, coastal scrub. 10-760 meters (33-2,493 feet)



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Counties:

Contra Costa,

Lake,

Mendocino,

Merced,

Santa Clara,

San Mateo,

Stanislaus

Life Form:

Dicot

perennial

evergreen shrub

Bloom period:

May - October



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Key to our local (San Mateo and Santa Clara County) Malacothamnus species

*indicates Rare and/or Endangered species

1. Inflorescence spike- or panicle-like; flowers generally \pm 10 per node; leaf-like bracts many
 2. Hairs \pm yellow; branches spreading or \pm erect....M. aboriginum* (INDIAN VALLEY BUSH-MALLOW)
 - 2' Hairs white; branches \pm erect....M. fremontii (FREMONT'S BUSH-MALLOW)
- 1' Inflorescence panicle-like; flowers 3-7 per node; leaf-like bracts few
 3. Hairs \pm yellow; stellate hairs with $<$ 10 rays.....M. davidsonii* (DAVIDSON'S BUSH-MALLOW)
 - 3' Hairs white; stellate hairs with $>$ 25 rays
 4. Stellate hairs adaxially (upper surface) $<$ abaxially (lower surface); veins \pm prominent abaxially (lower surface); flowering stalks $<$ 0.5 cm; flower buds rounded; fruit segments shallowly notched.....M. hallii* (HALL'S BUSH-MALLOW)
 - 4' Stellate hairs \pm equally dense abaxially (lower surface), adaxially (upper surface); flowering stalks $<$ 1.5 cm; flower buds acuminate; fruit: segments deeply notched.....M. fasciculatus (M. arcuatus*) (CHAPARRAL MALLOW)