A Must-Have California Native Plant!

Thimbleberry

Rubus parviflorus

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Description: Thimbleberry is a thornless relative to the raspberry and blackberry. Its tart fruit ripens in summer and is edible. These fruits are popular with birds and other animals.



Light: Shade



94 species of butterflies and moths can lay eggs on this plant.

Featured Moth: The White Lined Sphinx moth is often mistaken for a hummingbird, as it zooms around the garden seeking nectar. In its larval stage, it can provide a very significant meal for hungry baby birds.

Keystone Plant: This California native is a "must have" (host) plant for caterpillars, which, in turn, are the "must have" food for baby birds.

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