



Look for the brown gate on Mountain Meadow Drive



Explore the areas around the gate before you set off. Graceful Cinquefoil, Yampah, Bog Mallow, Larkspur, Torrey's Monkeyflower, and other gems await your admiration...



Graceful Cinquefoil



Yampah



Bog Mallow






Larkspur/Delphinium



Torrey's Monkeyflower



Yarrow

A dirt path winds through a forest of tall, slender evergreen trees. The ground is dry and sandy, with sparse grasses and small plants. The trees are densely packed, and their shadows are cast on the path. The sky is blue with a few clouds.

Keep right at the first Y. As you continue through the drying meadows, look for Torrey's Lupine, Elegant Tarweed, Dusky Horkelia, Pussypaws, and Mountain Violet.



While Torrey's Lupine is the most abundant lupine in the park, the Tahoe Basin is home to over a dozen species. Gray's, Brewer's, and Large-leaf Lupine can also be found in the Park.



Elegant Tarweed



Dusky Horkelia

Pussypaws





Mountain Violet

The meadows get wetter and greener as you approach the second Y, where another trail merges with this one. Continue right, and admire the Blue Camas, Bistort, Blue-eyed Grass, Self-heal, Musk Monkeyflower, Snow Plant, and Seep-spring Monkeyflower.





Blue Camas



While Blue Camas and Death Camas can grow in the same meadow, the bulbs of Blue Camas are edible while the bulbs of Death Camas are fatally toxic!

Death Camas



Blue-eyed Grass





Self-heal



With its nearly fluorescent color, Snowplant is striking in all of its stages. It is a protected species, so never disturb the plant or its surroundings.

Seep-spring Monkeyflower (below)
and Musk Monkeyflower (right)

