

## Ventura and LA County Bad Beetle Watch Plant Identification



### **Box Elder Tree (*Acer negundo*)**

-Found in the riparian or creek zone

-Native

Photo from National Park Service  
SMMNRA  
Wildflowers website



### **Arroyo Willow (*Salix lasiolepis*)**

-Riparian

-Looks more like a large shrub than tall, vertical tree

-Bark is usually smooth

-Native

Photo from CalFlora



### **Red Willow (*Salix laevigata*)**

-Riparian

-Looks more like tall, vertical tree

-Bark is rough

-Native

Photo from CalFlora



### **California or Western Sycamore (*Platanus racemosa*)**

-Native sycamore

-Riparian

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**London Plane Sycamore**  
*(Platanus x acerifolia)*

- Non-native sycamore
  - Not found in wildlands;  
always planted
  - Does not hybridize with  
native sycamore
- Photo from tree-guide.com



**Valley Oak (*Quercus lobata*)**

- Native

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**Castor Bean (*Ricinus communis*)**

- Non-native
- Invasive

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