

Introduced Plants

As a former golf course surrounded by homes, there are a range of cultivated, introduced, and invasive species living within Vistoso Trails. Some of these are faring poorly with the irrigation switched off, but others (especially tumbleweed) are thriving and will require management to prevent them from further expanding into the native habitats within the preserve .

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Common name: Red Yucca

Scientific name: *Hesperaloe parviflora*

Notes: Not a true yucca. Javelinas love them.



Common name: Cenizo (also Texas Ranger and Texas Sage)

Scientific name: *Leucophyllum frutescens*

Notes: Native to Texas. Grows as a bush.



Common name: Tree Tobacco

Scientific name: *Nicotiana glauca*

Notes: Native to South America. Toxic.



Common name: Chilean Mesquite

Scientific name: *Prosopis chilensis*

Notes: A tree. See also page 126.



Common name: Tumbleweed (also Russian Thistle)

Scientific name: *Salsola tragus*

Notes: A growing, young plant pictured on left. A dried, adult plant on right. Very common on former greens and fairways. Also known as Russian thistle. Extremely invasive and noxious.