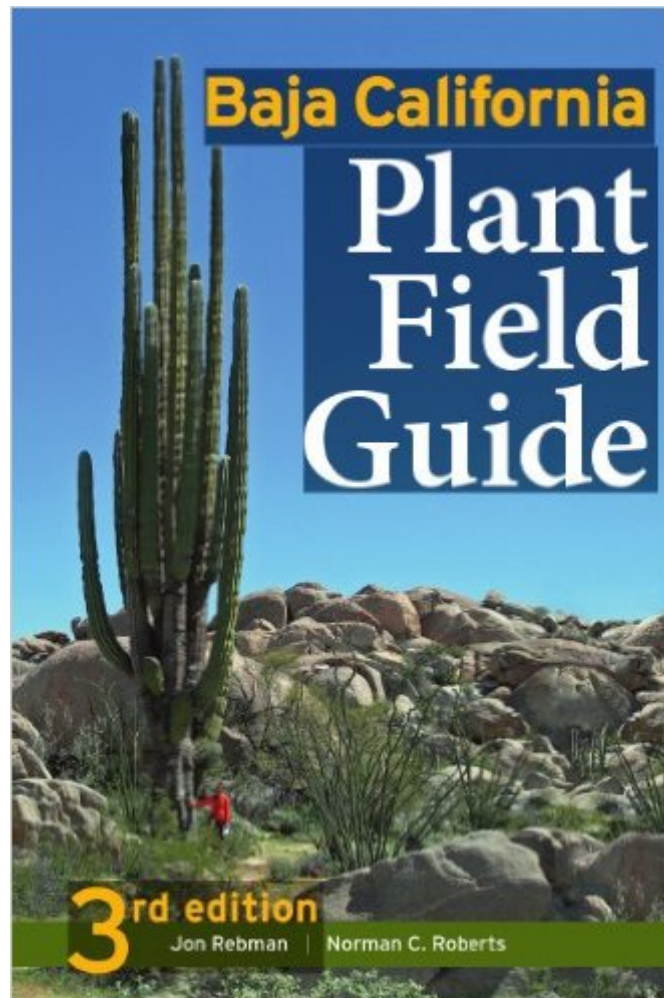


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This new edition of the Baja California Plant Field Guide discusses or describes over 715 different plants in more than 350 genera in 111 families. Of these, approximately 32% are endemic to the region, 50% can also be found in southern California (e.g., San Diego County), and about 45% are new additions in this edition. In a field guide like this it is impossible to address all of the plant species in our region, but we have tried to compensate by discussing the overall diversity of the selected plant families and genera in introductory paragraphs preceding each species discussion. In this manner, we hope to give the reader a better understanding of the plant diversity that is not directly supplied by our book in photos and text.

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I can unequivocally say that this is a fabulous book and has all the features I wish were present in many other books. In a press release the publisher notes that, "Over 715 different plants in more than 350 genera in 111 families are described," and "50% of the species listed are also found in southern California and the Sonora desert." So, even if you never head south of the border, you can use this book if you live in (or visit) Southern California. Bravo to Dr. Rebman and to the San Diego Natural History Museum for publishing what is certain to become a classic. Beautiful photographs, excellent maps and illustrations, easy-to-read type, and thoughtful page design have resulted in a very handsome book. An extensive index, comprehensive glossary, handy metric conversion chart, and helpful drawings of leaf shapes and flower parts make the book especially useful because you

don't have to keep looking things up elsewhere. The book begins with 40 pages (by a variety of experts) about Baja's climate, geology, conservation, and more. This section is both better written and more interesting than in other books I've read. My personal experience with Baja California is limited to visits with family in Tijuana, friends in Rosarito, and day trips only as far south as Ensenada, about 62 miles from San Diego. And while I might never go much further south, this book makes the peninsula come alive for me in ways I wasn't expecting. Following this, 360 pages are organized by plant families, with a brief description of the characteristics of each family. Within each family the species are listed in alphabetical order, with at least one really good photo of each plant.

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