



## Camp Bayou and Project BudBurst

It is the mission of the Camp Bayou Outdoor Learning Center (BOLD) to sustain a portion of Florida's original habitats, in the Little Manatee River Watershed, and to promote appreciation and better understanding of our natural resources, local history and culture through education. Camp Bayou is a 160 acre nature preserve located in the middle of the Little Manatee River system and proximate to the Cockroach Bay Aquatic Preserve and Tampa Bay.

[www.budburst.org/community](http://www.budburst.org/community)

### Have you seen me? Help track these plants for Camp Bayou



#### American beauty berry

*Callicarpa americana*

Shrubs with opposite leaves that are hairy underneath and beautiful deep purple berries in the axils of the leaves along the branches.



#### Virginia creeper

*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*

Virginia creeper is a vining plant that has five distinct leaflets for each compound (divided) leaf. It provides shelter and berries for small mammals and birds.



#### Yellow jessamine

*Gelsemium sempervirens*

A twining, evergreen vine, 10-20 ft. long, which will climb trees, scramble over fences and structures. Yellow flowers attract hummingbirds and butterflies.



#### Longleaf pine

*Pinus palustris*

A tall evergreen tree found in the southern US. Needles are in bundles of three and can be between 8 to 18 inches long. The cones are 6 to 10 inches long.



#### Red maple

*Acer rubrum*

Red maples are distinctive in having the red flowers emerge a week or more before the leaves. In the fall, look for brilliant red leaves.



#### Southern live oak

*Quercus virginiana*

A very large tree with spreading branches, smooth oblong leather leaves with light colored undersides. Flowers are catkins. Acorns are small and oblong with black tips.



#### Bigflower pawpaw

*Asimina obovata*

Creamy white to greenish flowers with 6 petals and 3 sepals that nod downwards and narrow leaves that are widest above the middle. Flowers appear after the leaves.



#### Butterfly milkweed

*Asclepias tuberosa*

Showy orange long lasting flowers. Clear sap, hairy stems, and long, linear leaves help to distinguish this milkweed. Popular garden plant for butterflies and bees.



#### Dotted horemint

*Monarda punctata*

Tiny yellow flowers with purple spots are hidden under the pale lavender colored leaves. Flowers and leaves make-up the head-like spikes.



#### Purple passion flower

*Passiflora incarnata*

Flowers are 10 purple-white petals with a large ring of hair-like segments above them. 3 to 4 prominent club-like stigmas protrude from the center of the flowers.

*"Camp Bayou has been exploring a number of citizen science opportunities for the past several years. Project Budburst was one of the first and we'd like to continue with more focused attention to our common plant species at Camp Bayou."*

**—Dolly Cummings**  
Project Leader, Camp Bayou

## About Community BudBurst

Nature centers, state parks, museums, University researchers, and more are taking Project BudBurst to their local and regional areas to learn how plants are responding to changing environments.

It's easy for you to join in. Choose from the plants on this flyer and track when they flower, leaf out or set fruits. Then, post your data on [www.budburst.org](http://www.budburst.org). Your participation will contribute to a better understanding of how plants in your area respond to changing climates.

Want to learn more about this partner? Visit their Project BudBurst resources at the website at the top of this flyer.