Plant Portfolio

Field Biology

Using blank sheets of 8.5 x 11 inch paper, folded in half and stapled together, create a plant portfolio. On each page of your portfolio, create a space for the following information:

- a. The plant's common name
- b. The plant's scientific name
- c. One or two sketches of the plant
- d. A description of the plant's appearance
- e. Interesting ecological / scientific facts about the plant (including whether it is native or non-native).

Work individually on this assignment. Some of the information you need will be discussed in class; time will be provided for you to do internet research to complete the rest of the sections of your portfolio.

A great resource for information about these plants is the USDA Plant Database: http://plants.usda.gov/. Another great site is OSU's horticulture department: http://oregonstate.edu/dept/ldplants/.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Key Part to Sketch
Vine Maple	Acer circinatum	Leaf
Big Leaf Maple	Acer macrophyllum	Leaf
Alder	Alnus sp.	Leaf
Pacific Dogwood	Cornus nuttalii	Leaf
Hawthorne	Crataegus sp.	Branch (include thorns)
Blue Ryegrass	Elymus glaucus	Seed head
Oregon Ash	Fraxinus latifolia	Leaf
Cow Parsnip	Heracleum lanatum	Entire plant
Garry Oak or Oregon	Quercus garryanna	Leaf
White Oak		
Osoberry	Oemelaria cerasiformis	Leaf
Douglas Fir	Pseudotsuga menziesii	Cone
Poison Oak	Rhus diversiloba or	Leaf
	Toxicodendron diversilobum	
Trailing Blackberry	Rubus ursinus	Leaf
Pacific Sanicle	Sanicula crassicaulis	Leaf
Wild Carrot	Daucus carota	Seed head
Snowberry	Symphoricarpus albus	Branch (include leaves
		and berries)
Teasel	Dipsacus follonum	Seed head
Sitka Spruce	Picea sitchensis	Branch / needles
Himalayan Blackberry	Rubus discolor	Leaf
Bedstraw	Galium aparine	Entire plant