Tree Talk Resources

Tree Books

A Californian's Guide to the Trees among Us by Matt Ritter California Plants: A Guide to our Iconic Flora by Matt Ritter

Ornamental Trees for Mediterranean Climates by Steve Brigham

Street Trees Recommended for Southern California by Street Tree Seminar Inc.

Trees of the California Landscape: A Photographic Manual of Native and Ornamental Trees

by Charles Hatch

Trees and Gardens of Balboa Park by Kathy Puplava

The New Sunset Western Garden Book

Community College Plant ID classes

Cuyamaca College, Southwestern College, MiraCosta College

Online resources

Android phone app: City Tree by Matt Ritter

Urban Tree Key: http://urbantreekey.calpoly.edu/

Choose trees by attributes: Select Tree: https://selectree.calpoly.edu/

Plant ID: iNaturalist

Facebook pages for Plant ID

Plant Idents – more experts on this page
Plant identification and discussion –some wild guessing on this page

Facebook pages for gardeners

The Garden Professors Blog – a page run by real garden professors. Addresses the science related to gardening and debunks many horticultural myths. Be sure to read the pinned post!

San Diego Gardener – a page run by Nan Sterman and John Clements. Fun site to share gardening successes and photos and to ask questions. Unlike The Garden Professors Blog this is not a science based site, and you will see a mixture of advice, including myths and old wives tales. If you can politely point those out and give scientific advice, and link to IPM material, please do so. There are group members on this page who are not polite, and some who think Master Gardeners are rude. Let's show them how professional we can be.

I Love Plants and Science – new page run by Dawn Standke. A site for discussion of the science behind gardening, asking and answering questions, sharing pictures – and bragging about our gardens!

Debunking Horticultural myths

https://puyallup.wsu.edu/lcs/

San Diego Master Gardeners Earth-Friendly Gardens program

http://www.mastergardenersd.org/earth-friendly-gardening/