



## Example Focal Gold Coast Species

### Beach ragweed

*Ambrosia hispida*

- Florida Keys north to Brevard County, but nearly extinct along Florida east coast.
- Introduced in Delray Beach and still present at Atlantic Dunes Park and Delray Beach Municipal Beach.



### Beach Clustervine

*Jacquemontia reclinata*

- Federally endangered. Miami-Dade to Martin County (endemic).
- Recently reintroduced to Atlantic Dune Park (2016) by IRC and present at Delray Beach Municipal Beach from earlier biodiversity projects.



### Beach-tea

*Croton punctatus*

- Scattered and rare in southeastern Florida. Not common on re-nourished beaches.
- Present in Delray Beach on public and private beaches. Historically recorded in Ocean Ridge and Boca Raton.



## Pineland Croton

*Croton linearis*

- Florida Keys to St. Lucie County. Nearly extinct north of Miami-Dade County. Sole larval host for two federally endangered and endemic butterflies.
- Still present in northern Palm Beach County but there are no records in south county.



## Bartram's Scrub-hairstreak

*Strymon acis bartramii*

- Federally endangered. Monroe and Miami-Dade counties; extinct in Broward and Palm Beach counties.
- Larvae feed only on Pineland croton.



## Florida prairieclover

*Dalea carthagenensis* var. *floridana*

- Federally endangered. Southern mainland north to Palm Beach and Collier counties. Extinct in Palm Beach County.
- Collected in the Palm Beach area only in 1895 and 1918.



## East Coast lantana

*Lantana depressa* var. *floridana*

- Miami-Dade to St. Johns County along the east coast (endemic), but nearly extinct due to hybridization with the exotic weedy *Lantana camara*.
- Recorded for Atlantic Dunes Park (1993) but presumed extirpated there. Possibly present in Boca Raton but otherwise gone from southern Palm Beach County.



## Red mulberry

*Morus rubra*

- Widespread in south Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but very rare in southern Palm Beach County.
- Previously recorded for Atlantic Dune Park but apparently extirpated there. Present in Boca Raton and Ocean Ridge in tropical hammocks.



## Partridge pea

*Chamaecrista fasciculata*

- Widespread in south Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but perhaps extinct in wild on southern Palm Beach County barrier islands.
- Provides food for birds. Larval host plant for ceraunus blue (*Hemiargus ceraunus*), cloudless sulphur (*Phoebis sennae*), little yellow (*Eurema lisa*), and gray hairstreak (*Strymon melinus*) butterflies.



## Spurred butterfly pea

*Centrosema virginianum*

- Widespread in south Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but very rare in southern Palm Beach County.
- Previously documented at Atlantic Dunes Park but apparently extirpated there.



## Forked bluecurls

*Trichostema dichotoma*

- Widespread in South Florida in both inland and coastal locations, but very rare in coastal southern Palm Beach County.
- Present in Delray Beach at Atlantic Dunes Park where recently relocated. Possibly present in Boca Raton.



## Marshhay cordgrass

*Spartina patens*

- Widespread but scattered in South Florida along the coast and sometimes planted in dune revegetation projects.
- Recently documented in Boynton Beach, Delray Beach, and Ocean Ridge.

