

Tarplant Seedling Photos

It is often important to identify Santa Cruz sunflower at the seedling stage. Yet, this species is sometimes confused with other tarplant species from different genera. Some important distinctions that can help aid identification at the seedling stage are the small size of the teeth on *Holocarpha macradenia* compared to *Hemizonia corymbosa* and the lack of teeth on the leaves of *Madia sativa*. See the following pictures for clarification.



**Santa Cruz sunflower (*Holocarpha macradenia*)**

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**Coast tarplant (*Hemizonia corymbosa*)**



**Coast tarplant (*Madia sativa*)**