

Eric Larusson
Truckee, California



Eric Larusson is a botanist, horticulturist, nurseryman and arborist with over 35 years of professional work in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Mr. Larusson's horticultural background includes employment in vineyards, orchards, Christmas tree plantations, estates, parks, production greenhouses, teaching greenhouses, landscape installations, wholesale and retail nurseries, and florists. Professional design work and plant selections for projects include public and private parks, golf courses, interstate highway beautification and revegetation, parking areas, lake-fronts, bridges, local and regional environmental stream and river restoration projects as well as business and residential designs. Professional consulting and authoring of public and private design guidelines, plant-lists and specifications as well as hundreds of articles for local and national publications are also among his experiences.

In addition to his work as a nurseryman and private consultant, Mr. Larusson has been an occasional lecturer at Sierra Nevada College, Sierra College, UC Master Gardener Trainings and local schools, garden clubs and the annual class series at Villager Nursery in Truckee.

Mr. Larusson's first Sierra Nevada horticultural position was in 1972.

He joined Villager Nursery in 1984.

Education

Humboldt State University

Bachelor of Arts, Molecular Biology / Botany, 1986

California State University, Chico

Bachelor of Science, Agriculture / Ornamental Horticulture, 1985

Certifications

Certified Arborist: WE 7983A

Licensed Landscape Contractor (Villager Nursery, Inc.) C27 No. 413907

Professional Affiliations

International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Member

Public Policy Committees and Boards

Truckee Cemetery District 2015-2018

Truckee Trails & Bikeways Master Plan Advisory Committee 1999-2001

Truckee Planning Commission 1993-1995

Eastern Nevada County General Plan Update Steering Committee 1990-1992

Design Consultation Projects

Donner Lake Village (Granite Peak Mgmt.) 2018

Vikingsholm Green-roof (CA State Parks) 2017-2018

Martis Camp Amenities (DMB/Highlands Group - Martis Camp) 2008-2017

Along with writing much of the landscape chapter of the design guidelines and developing the plant lists, Mr. Larusson also designed landscapes for the Golf Practice Pavilion, Putting Park, Lost Library, Park Pavilion, Adventure Park, Concert Park Lake & Stream, Golf Comfort Stations, Family Barn and Martis Camp Lodge as well as planters and hanging baskets, and designs for several homes.

Martis Camp Lots 42 -41 (Borges / Pacific Oak Dev.) 2012, 2017

Trout Creek Pocket Park (DTMA / MAP) 1992, 2016

Third Creek Restoration (IVGID / CARDNO ENTRIX) 2012, 2015

Cold Stream Restoration (Donner State Park) 2013

Trout Creek Restoration (Town of Truckee / Waterways Consulting) 2009, 2011, 2012

Bridge Street Landscape (BMS Design Group) 2011

Caples Lake Boat Launch (EID / ElDorado National Forest) 2011

Tavern Inn, Squaw Valley (Granite Peak Mgmt.) 2011

Martis Camp Design Guidelines, Landscape Chapter (Ryan Group) 2008-2009

Lahontan Community Design Book, Landscape Chapter (Faulkner / Ryan)) 1998-1999

Eastern Nevada County Design Guidelines, Landscape Chapter (Planning Comm.) 1990-1992

Eric Larusson has been exploring, botanizing, gardening, landscaping and actively working in the field since the early 1970's.