Chumash tour vocabulary words

- ‘ap (tule-covered house)
- abalone
- acorns
- antelope
- asphaltum (tar, sometimes mixed with pine pitch, used as adhesive)
- atole (acorn mush)
- baskets
- bear tag (a game, the bear is “it”)
- berries
- Brotherhood of the Tomol
- bulbs
- ceremonial gathering
- chia seed
- clam
- coastal Chumash
- comal (steatite cooking stone)
- compound arrow (two-part arrow, shaft with point separates from main shaft)
- cooking basket
- cordage
- Coso volcanic (source of obsidian, obtained by trading)
- datura (jimson weed, used medically and in religious ceremonies)
- dead fall trap
- deer
- deer bone whistle
- deergrass (plant used as basketry foundation material)
- digging stick
- “donut” stone (used to weight digging stick for leverage)
- dried food
- elk
- feathers
- fish
- frogs
- games of chance
- games of skill
- good luck/bad luck
- granary basket (used for food storage)
- haku (“hello”)
- harpoons
- hunting disguise
- Inland Chumash
- Island Chumash
- Juncus (basketry plant)
• Leaching (process of removing tannins from ground acorns)
• lizards
• *mano* (hand-held stone for grinding)
• medicinal plants
• *metate* (large flat stone for grinding)
• mortar (deep stone bowl for grinding)
• nets
• Northern Channel islands (Santa Rosa, Anacapa, Santa Cruz, San Miguel)
• nuts
• oak trees
• obsidian (volcanic stone used for tools, points, etc., obtained by trade)
• ochre, red (also hematite, used as paint for rock art and body art)
• *payas* (hoop and pole game)
• pestle (long tubular stone used with mortar for pounding food materials)
• *pi* (walnut dice game)
• pigments
• pit oven
• plank canoe (*tomol*)
• point (arrowhead)
• rabbit skin blanket
• rattle
• redwood (native to N. Ca., scavenged from beaches and used for tomols)
• roots
• sage
• sea otter
• sea urchin
• seasonal camps (fish camp, seed camp, acorn camp, etc.)
• seasonal migration (birds, whales, fish, etc.)
• seeds
• shell fish hooks
• shellfish (clams, mussels, etc.)
• snares
• soaproot (used as shampoo, fish tranquilizer)
• spear
• *steatite* (easily carved, used for *comals*, bowls, beads, etc.)
• throwing stick
• *Tomol* (plank canoe)
• trade
• traps
• tule
• willow
• *wot* (chief)