



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

OHIO NATIVE SPRING WILDFLOWER CHECKLIST

Ohio is home to over 1,800 native species of plants. This includes hundreds of spring wildflowers that bloom from March to May every year. This checklist highlights our common forest dwelling wildflowers and a number of rare and grassland species, too. Please enjoy using this checklist while out exploring any natural area in Ohio. To find more information on Ohio's wildflowers visit ohiodnr.gov.



* = open habitat (grassland and/or savanna)

R = rare species

R* = state listed

RED-PINK

- Carolina Spring Beauty (*Claytonia caroliniana*)
- Creeping Phlox (*Phlox stolonifera*)
- Downy Phlox (*Phlox pilosa*) *
- Fire Pink (*Silene virginica*)
- Herb Robert (*Geranium robertianum*)
- Large-flowered Valerian (*Valeriana pauciflora*)
- Pink Lady's Slipper (*Cypripedium acaule*)
- Prairie Trillium (*Trillium recurvatum*)

Montiaceae R
Polemoniaceae R
Polemoniaceae R
Caryophyllaceae
Geraniaceae
Valerianaceae
Orchidaceae
Melanthiaceae R*

- Red Trillium (*Trillium erectum*)
- Scarlet Paintbrush (*Castilleja coccinea*) *
- Sessile Trillium (*Trillium sessile*)
- Showy Orchis (*Galearis spectabilis*)
- Skunk Cabbage (*Symplocarpus foetidus*)
- Smooth Phlox (*Phlox glaberrima*)
- Spring Beauty (*Claytonia virginica*)
- Wild Columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*)
- Wild Geranium (*Geranium maculatum*)
- Wild Ginger (*Asarum canadense*)
- Wood Betony (*Pedicularis canadensis*)

Melanthiaceae
Orobanchaceae R
Melanthiaceae
Orchidaceae
Araceae
Polemoniaceae R
Montiaceae
Ranunculaceae
Geraniaceae
Aristolochiaceae
Orobanchaceae

GREEN-BROWN

- Blue Cohosh (*Caulophyllum thalictroides*)
- Common Alumroot (*Heuchera americana*)
- Early Meadow Rue (*Thalictrum dioicum*)
- False Mermaid (*Floerkea proserpinacoides*)
- Giant Blue Cohosh (*Caulophyllum giganteum*)
- Green Dragon (*Arisaema draconitum*)
- Green Violet (*Cubelium concolor*)
- Hairy Solomon's Seal (*Polygonatum pubescens*)
- Indian Cucumber-root (*Medeola virginiana*)

Berberidaceae
Saxifragaceae
Ranunculaceae
Limnanthaceae
Berberidaceae
Araceae
Violaceae
Asparagaceae
Liliaceae

- Jack-in-the-Pulpit (*Arisaema triphyllum*)
- Large Whorled Pogonia (*Isotria verticillata*)
- Nodding Mandarin (*Prosartes maculata*)
- Pale Carrion-flower (*Smilax lasioneura*)
- Putty-root (*Aplectrum hyemale*)
- Smooth Solomon's Seal (*Polygonatum biflorum*)
- Spring Coral-root (*Corallorrhiza wisteriana*)
- Yellow Mandarin (*Prosartes lanuginosa*)

Araceae
Orchidaceae
Liliaceae R*
Smilaceae
Orchidaceae
Asparagaceae
Orchidaceae R*
Liliaceae

YELLOW-ORANGE

- American Gromwell (*Lithospermum latifolium*)
- Appalachian Barren-strawberry (*Geum fragarioides*)
- Balsam Ragwort (*Packera paupercula*) *
- Bear-corn (*Conopholis americana*)
- Common Cinquefoil (*Potentilla simplex*)
- Common Yellow Wood-sorrel (*Oxalis stricta*)
- Dwarf Cinquefoil (*Potentilla canadensis*)
- Dwarf Dandelion (*Krigia virginica*) *
- Early Buttercup (*Ranunculus fascicularis*)
- Golden Alexanders (*Zizia aurea*)
- Golden Ragwort (*Packera aurea*)
- Golden-knees (*Chrysogonium repens*)
- Golden-star (*Erythronium rostratum*)
- Great Yellow Wood-sorrel (*Oxalis grandis*)
- Hairy Yellow Violet (*Viola pubescens*)
- Halberd-leaved Violet (*Viola hastata*)
- Heart-leaved Golden Alexanders (*Zizia aptera*) *
- Hispid Buttercup (*Ranunculus hispidus*)
- Hoary Puccoon (*Lithospermum canescens*) *
- Hooked Buttercup (*Ranunculus recurvatus*)

Boraginaceae
Rosaceae R
Asteraceae R*
Orobanchaceae
Rosaceae
Oxalidaceae
Rosaceae
Asteraceae R*
Ranunculaceae R*
Apiaceae
Asteraceae
Asteraceae R*
Liliaceae R*
Oxalidaceae
Violaceae
Violaceae
Asteraceae R
Ranunculaceae
Boraginaceae
Ranunculaceae

- Kidney-leaved Buttercup (*Ranunculus arbortivus*)
- Lakeside Daisy (*Tetraneuris herbacea*) *
- Large Yellow Lady's Slipper (*Cypripedium parviflorum var. pubescens*)
- Large-flowered Bellwort (*Uvularia grandiflora*)
- Marsh-marigold (*Caltha palustris*)
- Meadow Parsnip (*Thaspium trifoliatum*)
- Perfoliate Bellwort (*Uvularia perfoliata*)
- Rattlesnake Hawkweed (*Hieracium venosum*)
- Round-leaved Ragwort (*Packera obovata*)
- Round-leaved Violet (*Viola rotundifolia*)
- Sessile-leaved Bellwort (*Uvularia sessiliflora*)
- Small-flowered Buttercup (*Ranunculus micranthus*)
- Smooth Yellow Violet (*Viola eriocarpa*)
- Spring Avens (*Geum vernum*)
- Two-flowered Cynthia (*Krigia biflora*)
- Wood Poppy (*Stylophorum diphyllum*)
- Yellow Fumewort (*Corydalis flavula*)
- Yellow Star-grass (*Hypoxis hirsuta*)
- Yellow Trout Lily (*Erythronium americanum*)

Ranunculaceae
Asteraceae R*
Orchidaceae R
Colchicaceae
Ranunculaceae
Apiaceae
Colchicaceae
Asteraceae
Asteraceae R
Violaceae R
Colchicaceae
Ranunculaceae
Violaceae
Rosaceae
Asteraceae
Papaveraceae
Papaveraceae
Hypoxidaceae
Liliaceae

BLUE-PURPLE

❑ Appendaged Waterleaf (<i>Hydrophyllum appendiculatum</i>)	Boraginaceae		❑ Miami Mist (<i>Phacelia purshii</i>)	Boraginaceae
❑ Arrow-leaved Violet (<i>Viola sagittata</i>)	Violaceae		❑ Moss Phlox (<i>Phlox subulata</i>)	Polemoniaceae
❑ Birdfoot Violet (<i>Viola pedata</i>)	Violaceae	R*	❑ Ohio Spiderwort (<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>)	Commelinaceae
❑ Blue-eyed Mary (<i>Collinsia verna</i>)	Plantaginaceae		❑ Pale Blue-eyed Grass (<i>Sisyrinchium albidum</i>)	Iridaceae
❑ Bluets (<i>Houstonia caerulea</i>)	Rubiaceae		❑ Purple Rocket (<i>Iodanthus pinnatifidus</i>)	Brassicaceae
❑ Common Blue Violet (<i>Viola sororia</i>)	Violaceae		❑ Purslane Speedwell (<i>Veronica peregrina</i>)	Plantaginaceae
❑ Common Blue-eyed Grass (<i>Sisyrinchium angustifolium</i>)	Iridaceae		❑ Showy Skullcap (<i>Scutellaria serrata</i>)	Lamiaceae
❑ Dwarf Crested Iris (<i>Iris cristata</i>)	Iridaceae		❑ Vernal Iris (<i>Iris verna</i>)	Iridaceae
❑ Dwarf Larkspur (<i>Delphinium tricorne</i>)	Ranunculaceae		❑ Violet Wood-sorrel (<i>Oxalis violacea</i>)	Oxaliaceae
❑ Early Blue Violet (<i>Viola palmata</i>)	Violaceae		❑ Virginia Bluebells (<i>Mertensia virginica</i>)	Boraginaceae
❑ Fern-leaved Scorpionweed (<i>Phacelia bipinnatifida</i>)	Boraginaceae	R	❑ Virginia Spiderwort (<i>Tradescantia virginiana</i>)	Commelinaceae
❑ Jacob's Ladder (<i>Polemonium reptans</i>)	Polemoniaceae		❑ Walter's Violet (<i>Viola walteri</i>)	Violaceae
❑ Longspur Violet (<i>Viola rostrata</i>)	Violaceae		❑ Wild Blue Phlox (<i>Phlox divaricata</i>)	Polemoniaceae
❑ Marsh Violet (<i>Viola cucullata</i>)	Violaceae		❑ Wild Comfrey (<i>Cynoglossum virginianum</i>)	Boraginaceae
❑ Meehan's Mint (<i>Meehania cordata</i>)	Lamiaceae	R	❑ Wild Hyacinth (<i>Camassia scilloides</i>)	Asparagaceae
			❑ Wild Lupine (<i>Lupinus perennis</i>)	Fabaceae
			❑ Wild Lupine (<i>Lupinus perennis</i>)	R*

WHITE-CREAM

❑ American Bittercress (<i>Cardamine rotundifolia</i>)	Brassicaceae	R	❑ Round-lobed Hepatica (<i>Hepatica nobilis var. americana</i>)	Ranunculaceae
❑ Beaked Corn-salad (<i>Valerianella umbilicata</i>)	Valerianaceae		❑ Rue Anemone (<i>Thalictrum thalictroides</i>)	Ranunculaceae
❑ Bloodroot (<i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i>)	Papaveraceae		❑ Running Buffalo Clover (<i>Trifolium stoloniferum</i>)	Fabaceae
❑ Broad-leaved Waterleaf (<i>Hydrophyllum canadense</i>)	Boraginaceae		❑ Sharp-lobed Hepatica (<i>Hepatica nobilis var. acuta</i>)	Ranunculaceae
❑ Canada Anemone (<i>Anemone canadensis</i>)	Ranunculaceae		❑ Shining Bedstraw (<i>Galium concinnum</i>)	Rubiaceae
❑ Canada Mayflower (<i>Maianthemum canadense</i>)	Asparagaceae		❑ Shooting Star (<i>Dodecatheon media</i>)	Primulaceae
❑ Canada Violet (<i>Viola canadensis</i>)	Violaceae		❑ Short's Rock Cress (<i>Boechera shortii</i>)	Brassicaceae
❑ Cleavers (<i>Galium aparine</i>)	Rubiaceae		❑ Sicklepod (<i>Boechera canadensis</i>)	Brassicaceae
❑ Core's Starwort (<i>Stellaria corei</i>)	Caryophyllaceae		❑ Slender Toothwort (<i>Cardamine angustata</i>)	Brassicaceae
❑ Crinkleroot (<i>Cardamine diphylla</i>)	Brassicaceae		❑ Small White Lady's Slipper (<i>Cypripedium candidum</i>)	Orchidaceae
❑ Cut-leaved Toothwort (<i>Cardamine concatenata</i>)	Brassicaceae		❑ Smooth Rock Cress (<i>Boechera laevigata</i>)	Brassicaceae
❑ Drooping Trillium (<i>Trillium flexipes</i>)	Melanthiaceae		❑ Smooth Sweet Cicely (<i>Osmorhiza longistylis</i>)	Apiaceae
❑ Dutchman's-breeches (<i>Dicentra cucullaria</i>)	Papaveraceae		❑ Snow Trillium (<i>Trillium nivale</i>)	Melanthiaceae
❑ Dwarf Ginseng (<i>Panax trifolius</i>)	Araliaceae		❑ Solitary Pussytoes (<i>Antennaria solitaria</i>)	Asteraceae
❑ Early Saxifrage (<i>Micranthes virginiana</i>)	Saxifragaceae		❑ Spring Cress (<i>Cardamine bulbosa</i>)	Brassicaceae
❑ Fairywand (<i>Chamaelirium luteum</i>)	Melanthiaceae		❑ Squirrel-corn (<i>Dicentra canadensis</i>)	Papaveraceae
❑ False Rue Anemone (<i>Enemion biternatum</i>)	Ranunculaceae		❑ Starflower (<i>Lysimachia borealis</i>)	Primulaceae
❑ False Solomon's Seal (<i>Maianthemum canadense</i>)	Asparagaceae		❑ Starry False Solomon's Seal (<i>Maianthemum canadense</i>)	Asparagaceae
❑ Field Chickweed (<i>Cerastium arvense</i>)	Caryophyllaceae		❑ Sweet White Violet (<i>Viola blanda</i>)	Violaceae
❑ Foamflower (<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i>)	Saxifragaceae		❑ Trailing Arbutus (<i>Epigaea repens</i>)	Ericaceae
❑ Four-leaved Milkweed (<i>Asclepias quadrifolia</i>)	Apocynaceae		❑ Twinleaf (<i>Jeffersonia diphylla</i>)	Berberidaceae
❑ Fragrant Bedstraw (<i>Galium triflorum</i>)	Rubiaceae		❑ Virginia Pennywort (<i>Obolaria virginica</i>)	Gentianaceae
❑ Goldenseal (<i>Hydrastis canadensis</i>)	Ranunculaceae		❑ Virginia Pepperweed (<i>Lepidium virginicum</i>)	Brassicaceae
❑ Goldthread (<i>Coptis trifolia</i>)	Ranunculaceae	R	❑ Virginia Waterleaf (<i>Hydrophyllum virginianum</i>)	Boraginaceae
❑ Goosefoot Corn-salad (<i>Valerianella chenopodifolia</i>)	Valerianaceae		❑ White Baneberry (<i>Actaea pachypoda</i>)	Ranunculaceae
❑ Greater Chickweed (<i>Stellaria pubera</i>)	Caryophyllaceae		❑ White Striped Violet (<i>Viola striata</i>)	Violaceae
❑ Guyandotte Beauty (<i>Synandra hispidula</i>)	Lamiaceae	R	❑ White Trout Lily (<i>Erythronium albidum</i>)	Liliaceae
❑ Harbinger-of-Spring (<i>Erigenia bulbosa</i>)	Apiaceae		❑ Wild Chervil (<i>Chaerophyllum procumbens</i>)	Apiaceae
❑ Heart-leaved Plantain (<i>Plantago cordata</i>)	Plantaginaceae	R*	❑ Wild Stonecrop (<i>Sedum ternatum</i>)	Crassulaceae
❑ Lance-leaved Violet (<i>Viola lanceolata</i>)	Violaceae	R*	❑ Wild Strawberry (<i>Fragaria virginiana</i>)	Rosaceae
❑ Large-flowered Trillium (<i>Trillium grandiflorum</i>)	Melanthiaceae		❑ Wood Anemone (<i>Anemone quinquefolia</i>)	Ranunculaceae
❑ Large-leaved Waterleaf (<i>Hydrophyllum macrophyllum</i>)	Boraginaceae		❑ Wood Vetch (<i>Vicia caroliniana</i>)	Fabaceae
❑ Long-leaved Starwort (<i>Stellaria longifolia</i>)	Caryophyllaceae		❑ Wooly Sweet Cicely (<i>Osmorhiza claytonii</i>)	Apiaceae
❑ Mayapple (<i>Podophyllum peltatum</i>)	Berberidaceae			
❑ Miterwort (<i>Mitella diphylla</i>)	Saxifragaceae			
❑ Narrow-leaved Toothwort (<i>Cardamine dissecta</i>)	Brassicaceae	R*		
❑ Nodding Chickweed (<i>Cerastium nutans</i>)	Caryophyllaceae			
❑ One-flowered Cancer-root (<i>Orobanche uniflora</i>)	Orobanchaceae			
❑ Parlin's Pussytoes (<i>Antennaria parlinii</i>)	Asteraceae			
❑ Philadelphia Fleabane (<i>Erigeron philadelphicus</i>)	Asteraceae			
❑ Plantain-leaved Pussytoes (<i>Antennaria plantaginifolia</i>)	Asteraceae			
❑ Purple Cress (<i>Cardamine douglassii</i>)	Brassicaceae			
❑ Red Baneberry (<i>Actaea rubra</i>)	Ranunculaceae	R*		
❑ Robin's Plaitain (<i>Erigeron pulchellus</i>)	Asteraceae			

COMMON FLOWERING TREES AND SHRUBS

❑ Deerberry (<i>Vaccinium stamineum</i>)	Ericaceae
❑ Eastern Redbud (<i>Cercis canadensis</i>)	Caesalpiniaceae
❑ Flowering Dogwood (<i>Cornus florida</i>)	Cornaceae
❑ Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus spp.</i>)	Rosaceae
❑ Mountain Laurel (<i>Kalmia latifolia</i>)	Ericaceae
❑ Ohio Buckeye (<i>Aesculus glabra</i>)	Hippocastanaceae
❑ Pawpaw (<i>Asimina triloba</i>)	Annonaceae
❑ Serviceberry (<i>Amelanchier spp.</i>)	Rosaceae
❑ Spicebush (<i>Lindera benzoin</i>)	Lauraceae
❑ Wild Plum (<i>Prunus americana</i>)	Rosaceae