

PLANT CHECKLIST

Townsend Woods SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



Species	Confidence
AQUATICS	
__ lesser duckweed (<i>Lemna minor</i>)	3
CLIMBERS/VINES AND EPIPHYTES	
__ American bittersweet (<i>Celastrus scandens</i>)	2
__ Canada moonseed (<i>Menispermum canadense</i>)	2
__ Virginia creeper (<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>)	2
__ woodbine (<i>Parthenocissus vitacea</i>)	3
__ wild grape (<i>Vitis riparia</i>)	3
FERNS AND LYCOPHYTES	
__ rattlesnake fern (<i>Botrypus virginianus</i>)	2
__ leathery grape-fern (<i>Sceptridium multifidum</i>)	2
FORBS	
__ velvet leaf (<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>)*	3
__ wild leek (<i>Allium tricoccum</i>)	3
__ hog peanut (<i>Amphicarpaea bracteata</i>)	3
__ sharp-lobed hepatica (<i>Anemone acutiloba</i>)	2
__ wood anemone (<i>Anemone quinquefolia</i>)	2
__ puttyroot (<i>Aplectrum hyemale</i>)	2
__ American hemp (<i>Apocynum cannabinum</i>)	3
__ Jack-in-the-pulpit (<i>Arisaema triphyllum</i>)	2
__ wild ginger (<i>Asarum canadense</i>)	2
__ common milkweed (<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>)	3
__ tall bellflower (<i>Campanula americana</i>)	3
__ cut-leaved toothwort (<i>Cardamine concatenata</i>)	2
__ blue cohosh (<i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i>)	2
__ common enchanter's nightshade (<i>Circaea canadensis</i>)	2
__ honewort (<i>Cryptotaenia canadensis</i>)	2
__ dutchman's breeches (<i>Dicentra cucullaria</i>)	2
__ false rue anemone (<i>Enemion biternatum</i>)	3
__ white trout lily (<i>Erythronium albidum</i>)	2
__ cleavers (<i>Galium aparine</i>)	2
__ sweet-scented bedstraw (<i>Galium triflorum</i>)	2
__ wild geranium (<i>Geranium maculatum</i>)	3
__ Virginia waterleaf (<i>Hydrophyllum virginianum</i>)	2
__ spotted touch-me-not (<i>Impatiens capensis</i>)	3
__ woodnettle (<i>Laportea canadensis</i>)	2

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__ common false Solomon's seal (<i>Maianthemum racemosum</i>)	2
__ alfalfa (<i>Medicago sativa</i>)*	3
__ Indian pipe (<i>Monotropa uniflora</i>)	2
__ Clayton's sweet cicely (<i>Osmorhiza claytonii</i>)	2
__ arrow-leaved tearthumb (<i>Persicaria sagittata</i>)	3
__ blue phlox (<i>Phlox divaricata</i>)	2
__ lopseed (<i>Phryma leptostachya</i>)	2
__ clammy ground cherry (<i>Physalis heterophylla</i>)	3
__ dwarf clearweed (<i>Pilea pumila</i>)	3
__ giant Solomon's seal (<i>Polygonatum biflorum</i>)	2
__ hairy Solomon's seal (<i>Polygonatum pubescens</i>)	2
__ bloodroot (<i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i>)	2
__ gregarious black snakeroot (<i>Sanicula gregaria</i>)	2
__ marsh skullcap (<i>Scutellaria galericulata</i>)	3
__ erect carrion flower (<i>Smilax ecirrhata</i>)	3
__ common carrion flower (<i>Smilax lasioneura</i>)	2
__ zigzag goldenrod (<i>Solidago flexicaulis</i>)	2
__ early meadow-rue (<i>Thalictrum dioicum</i>)	2
__ nodding trillium (<i>Trillium cernuum</i>)	2
__ broad-leaved cattail (<i>Typha latifolia</i>)	3
__ stinging nettle (<i>Urtica dioica</i>)	3
__ large-flowered bellwort (<i>Uvularia grandiflora</i>)	2
__ common mullein (<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>)*	3
__ white vervain (<i>Verbena urticifolia</i>)	3
__ yellow violet (<i>Viola pubescens</i>)	3
GRAMINOIDS	
__ brownish sedge (<i>Carex brunnescens</i>)	2
__ ambiguous sedge (<i>Carex grisea</i>)	2
__ hairy-leaved sedge (<i>Carex hirtifolia</i>)	2
__ Hitchcock's sedge (<i>Carex hitchcockiana</i>)	2
__ Pennsylvania sedge (<i>Carex pennsylvanica</i>)	2
__ eastern star sedge (<i>Carex radiata</i>)	2
__ stout woodreed (<i>Cinna arundinacea</i>)	3
__ bottlebrush grass (<i>Elymus hystrix</i>)	2
__ nodding fescue (<i>Festuca subverticillata</i>)	2

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TREES AND SHRUBS

__ box elder (<i>Acer negundo</i>)	3
__ silver maple (<i>Acer saccharinum</i>)	3
__ sugar maple (<i>Acer saccharum</i>)	2
__ bitternut hickory (<i>Carya cordiformis</i>)	2
__ hackberry (<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>)	2
__ gray dogwood (<i>Cornus racemosa</i>)	2
__ green ash (<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>)	2
__ black walnut (<i>Juglans nigra</i>)	2
__ eastern red cedar (<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>)	3
__ ironwood (<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>)	3
__ cottonwood (<i>Populus deltoides</i>)	3
__ wild plum (<i>Prunus americana</i>)	2
__ chokecherry (<i>Prunus virginiana</i>)	2
__ bur oak (<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>)	2
__ northern red oak (<i>Quercus rubra</i>)	2
__ staghorn sumac (<i>Rhus typhina</i>)	3
__ prickly gooseberry (<i>Ribes cynosbati</i>)	2
__ black raspberry (<i>Rubus occidentalis</i>)	3
__ red-berried elder (<i>Sambucus racemosa</i>)	2
__ basswood (<i>Tilia americana</i>)	2
__ American elm (<i>Ulmus americana</i>)	1
__ red elm (<i>Ulmus rubra</i>)	2
__ prickly ash (<i>Zanthoxylum americanum</i>)	2

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Plant Groups (Physiognomy) Defined

- Aquatics** - floating, emergent, submerged
- Climbers/vines and epiphytes** (grows on other plants)
- Ferns and lycophytes** - spore-bearing plants
- Forbs** - herbaceous flowering plants
- Graminoids** - grasses, sedges, and rushes
- Succulents** - cactus-like
- Trees and shrubs** - woody plants
- Mosses** - non-flowering plants that lack true roots

Rare and Introduced Status Keys

- END** - Endangered (State), **E** - Endangered (Federal)
- THR** - Threatened (State), **T** - Threatened (Federal)
- SPC** - Special Concern
- WL** - Watchlist

* - Introduced or ** - Undetermined

Data Confidence Key

- 1** - Vouchered record (specimen in herbarium collection)
- 2** - Vetted record (confirmed by DNR staff)
- 3** - Unverified record

Data for this checklist were gathered from the [Minnesota Biodiversity Atlas](#), MN DNR staff and contractors, [iNaturalist](#), and [EDDMapS](#) records. Checklist nomenclature for scientific name follows the most current [Flora of North America](#) and the preferred MN DNR common name (see [MNTaxa](#) for details).

Plant collecting is not allowed at any Scientific and Natural Area. Scientists may be allowed collections through a research permit.

Resources: [Minnesota Wildflowers](#) (species profiles and phenology), [Rare Species Guide](#), [invasive plants](#), Minnesota Biodiversity Atlas (range maps and herbarium specimens).

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