

PLANT CHECKLIST

Blanket Flower Prairie SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



Species	Confidence
CLIMBERS/VINES AND EPIPHYTES	
__ wild grape (<i>Vitis riparia</i>)	3
FERNS AND LYCOPHYTES	
__ rattlesnake fern (<i>Botrypus virginianus</i>)	3
__ field horsetail (<i>Equisetum arvense</i>)	3
__ smooth scouring rush (<i>Equisetum laevigatum</i>)	3
__ common scouring rush (<i>Equisetum praealtum</i>)	3
__ leathery grape-fern (<i>Sceptridium multifidum</i>)	3
FORBS	
__ common yarrow (<i>Achillea millefolium</i>)	3
__ blue giant hyssop (<i>Agastache foeniculum</i>)	3
__ glaucous false dandelion (<i>Agoseris glauca</i>)	3
__ common agrimony (<i>Agrimonia gryposepala</i>)	3
__ prairie wild onion (<i>Allium stellatum</i>)	3
__ white wild onion (<i>Allium textile</i>)	3
__ common ragweed (<i>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</i>)	3
__ western ragweed (<i>Ambrosia psilostachya</i>)	3
__ canada anemone (<i>Anemone canadensis</i>)	3
__ long-headed thimbleweed (<i>Anemone cylindrica</i>)	3
__ pasqueflower (<i>Anemone patens</i>)	3
__ wood anemone (<i>Anemone quinquefolia</i>)	3
__ field pussytoes (<i>Antennaria neglecta</i>)	3
__ plantain-leaved pussytoes (<i>Antennaria plantaginifolia</i>)	3
__ American hemp (<i>Apocynum cannabinum</i>)	2
__ common burdock (<i>Arctium minus</i>)*	3
__ absinthe wormwood (<i>Artemisia absinthium</i>)*	3
__ field sagewort (<i>Artemisia campestris</i>)	3
__ tarragon (<i>Artemisia dracunculus</i>)	3
__ sage wormwood (<i>Artemisia frigida</i>)	3
__ white sage (<i>Artemisia ludoviciana</i>)	3
__ showy milkweed (<i>Asclepias speciosa</i>)	3
__ common milkweed (<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>)	3
__ whorled milkweed (<i>Asclepias verticillata</i>)	3
__ green milkweed (<i>Asclepias viridiflora</i>)	3
__ fieldmilk-vetch (<i>Astragalus agrestis</i>)	3
__ Canada milk-vetch (<i>Astragalus canadensis</i>)	3
__ chickpea milkvetch (<i>Astragalus cicer</i>)*	3

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__ ground plum (<i>Astragalus crassicaarpus</i>)	2
__ Laxmann's milkvetch (<i>Astragalus laxmannii</i>)	2
__ hedge bindweed (<i>Calystegia sepium</i>)	3
__ harebell (<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>)	3
__ plumeless thistle (<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>)*	3
__ Indian paintbrush (<i>Castilleja coccinea</i>)	3
__ field chickweed (<i>Cerastium arvense</i>)	3
__ Nuttall's groundrose (<i>Chamaerhodos erecta</i>) ^{WL}	1
__ Canada thistle (<i>Cirsium arvense</i>)*	3
__ Flodman's thistle (<i>Cirsium flodmanii</i>)	3
__ Hill's thistle (<i>Cirsium pumilum</i>) ^{SPC}	1
__ bastard toadflax (<i>Comandra umbellata</i>)	2
__ horseweed (<i>Conyza canadensis</i>)	3
__ white prairie clover (<i>Dalea candida</i>)	3
__ purple prairie clover (<i>Dalea purpurea</i>)	3
__ Canada tick trefoil (<i>Desmodium canadense</i>)	3
__ tall cinquefoil (<i>Drymocallis arguta</i>)	3
__ narrow-leaved purple coneflower (<i>Echinacea angustifolia</i>)	3
__ smooth fleabane (<i>Erigeron glabellus</i>)	3
__ daisy fleabane (<i>Erigeron strigosus</i>)	3
__ wormseed mustard (<i>Erysimum cheiranthoides</i>)*	3
__ spotted Joe pye weed (<i>Eutrochium maculatum</i>)	3
__ common strawberry (<i>Fragaria virginiana</i>)	3
__ blanketflower (<i>Gaillardia aristata</i>) ^{SPC}	1
__ northern bedstraw (<i>Galium boreale</i>)	2
__ sweet-scented bedstraw (<i>Galium triflorum</i>)	3
__ bottle gentian (<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>)	3
__ downy gentian (<i>Gentiana puberulenta</i>)	3
__ yellow avens (<i>Geum aleppicum</i>)	3
__ prairie smoke (<i>Geum triflorum</i>)	2
__ wild licorice (<i>Glycyrrhiza lepidota</i>)	3
__ Maximilian's sunflower (<i>Helianthus maximiliani</i>)	3
__ stiff sunflower (<i>Helianthus pauciflorus</i>)	3
__ ox-eye (<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i>)	3
__ hairy golden aster (<i>Heterotheca villosa</i>)	3
__ alumroot (<i>Heuchera richardsonii</i>)	2

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__ long-bearded hawkweed (<i>Hieracium longipilum</i>) ^{WL}	3
__ yellow star-grass (<i>Hypoxis hirsuta</i>)	3
__ marsh vetchling (<i>Lathyrus palustris</i>)	3
__ veiny pea (<i>Lathyrus venosus</i>)	2
__ green-flowered peppergrass (<i>Lepidium densiflorum</i>)	3
__ rough blazing star (<i>Liatris aspera</i>)	3
__ dotted blazing star (<i>Liatris punctata</i>)	3
__ great blazing star (<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i>)	3
__ wood lily (<i>Lilium philadelphicum</i>)	3
__ grooved yellow flax (<i>Linum sulcatum</i>)	3
__ hoary puccoon (<i>Lithospermum canescens</i>)	3
__ narrow-leaved puccoon (<i>Lithospermum incisum</i>)	3
__ pale-spiked lobelia (<i>Lobelia spicata</i>)	3
__ bird's-foot trefoil (<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>)*	3
__ cut-leaved bugleweed (<i>Lycopus americanus</i>)	3
__ skeletonweed (<i>Lygodesmia juncea</i>)	3
__ prairie loosestrife (<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>)	3
__ black medick (<i>Medicago lupulina</i>)*	3
__ white sweet clover (<i>Melilotus albus</i>)*	3
__ yellow sweet clover (<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>)*	3
__ common mint (<i>Mentha arvensis</i>)	3
__ hairy four o'clock (<i>Mirabilis albida</i>)	3
__ heart-leaved four o'clock (<i>Mirabilis nyctaginea</i>)	3
__ wild bergamot (<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>)	3
__ beautiful blue lettuce (<i>Mulgedium pulchellum</i>)	3
__ common evening primrose (<i>Oenothera biennis</i>)	3
__ toothed evening primrose (<i>Oenothera serrulata</i>)	3
__ scarlet gaura (<i>Oenothera suffrutescens</i>)	3
__ false gromwell (<i>Onosmodium molle</i>)	3
__ violet wood-sorrel (<i>Oxalis violacea</i>)	2
__ Lambert's locoweed (<i>Oxytropis lambertii</i>)	3
__ prairie ragwort (<i>Packera plattensis</i>)	3
__ wood betony (<i>Pedicularis canadensis</i>)	3
__ silverleaf scurfpea (<i>Pedimelum argophyllum</i>)	3
__ prairie turnip (<i>Pedimelum esculentum</i>)	2

Species	Confidence
__ white beard tongue (<i>Penstemon albidus</i>)	3
__ slender beard tongue (<i>Penstemon gracilis</i>)	2
__ Virginia ground cherry (<i>Physalis virginiana</i>)	3
__ common plantain (<i>Plantago major</i>)*	3
__ rough cinquefoil (<i>Potentilla norvegica</i>)	3
__ Pennsylvania cinquefoil (<i>Potentilla pensylvanica</i>)	3
__ smooth rattlesnakeroot (<i>Prenanthes racemosa</i>)	3
__ Virginia mountain mint (<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>)	3
__ kidney-leaved buttercup (<i>Ranunculus abortivus</i>)	3
__ prairie buttercup (<i>Ranunculus rhomboideus</i>)	3
__ prairie coneflower (<i>Ratibida columnifera</i>)	3
__ black-eyed susan (<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>)	3
__ field blue-eyed grass (<i>Sisyrinchium campestre</i>)	3
__ pointed-petal blue-eyed grass (<i>Sisyrinchium mucronatum</i>)	3
__ Canada goldenrod (<i>Solidago canadensis</i>)	3
__ giant goldenrod (<i>Solidago gigantea</i>)	3
__ Missouri goldenrod (<i>Solidago missouriensis</i>)	3
__ gray goldenrod (<i>Solidago nemoralis</i>)	3
__ upland white aster (<i>Solidago ptarmicoides</i>)	3
__ Riddell's goldenrod (<i>Solidago riddellii</i>)	3
__ stiff goldenrod (<i>Solidago rigida</i>)	3
__ field sow thistle (<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>)*	3
__ woundwort (<i>Stachys palustris</i>)	3
__ heath aster (<i>Symphyotrichum ericoides</i>)	3
__ smooth blue aster (<i>Symphyotrichum laeve</i>)	3
__ paniced aster (<i>Symphyotrichum lanceolatum</i>)	3
__ silky aster (<i>Symphyotrichum sericeum</i>)	3
__ common dandelion (<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>)*	3
__ germander (<i>Teucrium canadense</i>)	3
__ tall meadow-rue (<i>Thalictrum dasycarpum</i>)	3
__ veiny meadow-rue (<i>Thalictrum venulosum</i>)	3
__ western spiderwort (<i>Tradescantia occidentalis</i>)	3

Species	Confidence
__ yellow goat's beard (<i>Tragopogon dubius</i>)*	3
__ red clover (<i>Trifolium pratense</i>)*	3
__ stinging nettle (<i>Urtica dioica</i>)	3
__ common mullein (<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>)*	3
__ hoary vervain (<i>Verbena stricta</i>)	3
__ Culver's root (<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>)	3
__ American vetch (<i>Vicia americana</i>)	3
__ spring vetch (<i>Vicia sativa</i>)*	3
__ bearded birdfoot violet (<i>Viola pedatifida</i>)	3
__ white camas (<i>Zigadenus elegans</i>)	2
__ heart-leaved alexanders (<i>Zizia aptera</i>)	2
__ golden alexanders (<i>Zizia aurea</i>)	3
GRAMINOIDS	
__ winter bentgrass (<i>Agrostis hyemalis</i>) ^{END}	3
__ big bluestem (<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>)	3
__ spike oat (<i>Avenula hookeri</i>) ^{SPC}	3
__ side-oats grama (<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>)	3
__ blue grama (<i>Bouteloua gracilis</i>)	3
__ smooth brome (<i>Bromus inermis</i>)*	3
__ Kalm's brome (<i>Bromus kalmii</i>)	3
__ bluejoint (<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>)	3
__ Plains reedgrass (<i>Calamagrostis montanensis</i>) ^{SPC}	3
__ slimstem reedgrass (<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>)	3
__ prairie sandreed (<i>Calamovilfa longifolia</i>)	3
__ spike rush sedge (<i>Carex duriuscula</i>)	3
__ thread-leaved sedge (<i>Carex filifolia</i>)	3
__ sun-loving sedge (<i>Carex inops</i>)	3
__ Torrey's sedge (<i>Carex torreyi</i>)	3
__ poverty grass (<i>Danthonia spicata</i>)	3
__ Wilcox's panic grass (<i>Dichanthelium wilcoxianum</i>)	3
__ Canada wildrye (<i>Elymus canadensis</i>)	3
__ quackgrass (<i>Elymus repens</i>)*	3
__ slender wheatgrass (<i>Elymus trachycaulus</i>)	3
__ purple lovegrass (<i>Eragrostis spectabilis</i>)	3
__ needle-and-thread grass (<i>Hesperostipa comata</i>)	3
__ porcupine grass (<i>Hesperostipa spartea</i>)	3

Species	Confidence
__ foxtail barley (<i>Hordeum jubatum</i>)	3
__ junegrass (<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>)	3
__ scratchgrass (<i>Muhlenbergia asperifolia</i>)	3
__ Plains muhly (<i>Muhlenbergia cuspidata</i>)	3
__ green needle grass (<i>Nassella viridula</i>)	3
__ witch grass (<i>Panicum capillare</i>)	3
__ switchgrass (<i>Panicum virgatum</i>)	3
__ western wheatgrass (<i>Pascopyrum smithii</i>)	3
__ timothy (<i>Phleum pratense</i>)*	3
__ Canada bluegrass (<i>Poa compressa</i>)*	3
__ Kentucky bluegrass (<i>Poa pratensis</i>)*	3
__ little bluestem (<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>)	3
__ Indian grass (<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>)	3
__ prairie cordgrass (<i>Spartina pectinata</i>)	3
__ sand dropseed (<i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i>)	3
__ prairie dropseed (<i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i>)	3

TREES AND SHRUBS

__ leadplant (<i>Amorpha canescens</i>)	2
__ jack pine (<i>Pinus banksiana</i>)	3
__ cottonwood (<i>Populus deltoides</i>)	3
__ quaking aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>)	3
__ bur oak (<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>)	3
__ smooth sumac (<i>Rhus glabra</i>)	3
__ staghorn sumac (<i>Rhus typhina</i>)	3
__ prairie rose (<i>Rosa arkansana</i>)	3
__ American red raspberry (<i>Rubus idaeus</i>)**	3
__ wolfberry (<i>Symphoricarpos occidentalis</i>)	2
__ western poison ivy (<i>Toxicodendron rydbergii</i>)	3

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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

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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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