

# PLANT CHECKLIST

Lester Lake SNA

## MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



Species	Confidence	Species	Confidence
<b>FERNS AND LYCOPHYTES</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> lady fern ( <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> round-leaved sundew ( <i>Drosera rotundifolia</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> rattlesnake fern ( <i>Botrypus virginianus</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia fleabane ( <i>Erigeron philadelphicus</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> interrupted fern ( <i>Claytosmunda claytoniana</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> large-leaved aster ( <i>Eurybia macrophylla</i> )	2
<input type="checkbox"/> bulblet bladder fern ( <i>Cystopteris bulbifera</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> common strawberry ( <i>Fragaria virginiana</i> )	2
<input type="checkbox"/> spinulose wood fern ( <i>Dryopteris carthusiana</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> rough bedstraw ( <i>Galium asprellum</i> )	2
<input type="checkbox"/> crested wood fern ( <i>Dryopteris cristata</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> sweet-scented bedstraw ( <i>Galium triflorum</i> )	2
<input type="checkbox"/> meadow horsetail ( <i>Equisetum pratense</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> lesser rattlesnake plantain ( <i>Goodyera repens</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> dwarf scouring rush ( <i>Equisetum scirpoides</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> spotted touch-me-not ( <i>Impatiens capensis</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> western oak fern ( <i>Gymnocarpium dryopteris</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> northern blue flag ( <i>Iris versicolor</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ostrich fern ( <i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> pale vetchling ( <i>Lathyrus ochroleucus</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> cinnamon fern ( <i>Osmundastrum cinnamomeum</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> marsh vetchling ( <i>Lathyrus palustris</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> eastern bracken ( <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> twinflower ( <i>Linnaea borealis</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> eastern marsh fern ( <i>Thelypteris palustris</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> heart-leaved twayblade ( <i>Listera cordata</i> )	3
<b>FORBS</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> red baneberry ( <i>Actaea rubra</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> northern bugleweed ( <i>Lycopus uniflorus</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> hog peanut ( <i>Amphicarpaea bracteata</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> tufted loosestrife ( <i>Lysimachia thyrsiflora</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> round-lobed hepatica ( <i>Anemone americana</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Canada mayflower ( <i>Maianthemum canadense</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> columbine ( <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> three-leaved false Solomon's seal ( <i>Maianthemum trifolium</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> wild sarsaparilla ( <i>Aralia nudicaulis</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> white adder's mouth ( <i>Malaxis monophyllos</i> ) <sup>SPC</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/> American spikenard ( <i>Aralia racemosa</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> swamp saxifrage ( <i>Micranthes pensylvanica</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Jack-in-the-pulpit ( <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> two-leaved miterwort ( <i>Mitella diphylla</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> wild ginger ( <i>Asarum canadense</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> naked miterwort ( <i>Mitella nuda</i> )	2
<input type="checkbox"/> wild calla ( <i>Calla palustris</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> one-flowered pyrola ( <i>Moneses uniflora</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> common marsh marigold ( <i>Caltha palustris</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> Clayton's sweet cicely ( <i>Osmorhiza claytonii</i> )	2
<input type="checkbox"/> blue cohosh ( <i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> golden ragwort ( <i>Packera aurea</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> bulb-bearing water hemlock ( <i>Cicuta bulbifera</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> tall northern bog orchid ( <i>Platanthera huronensis</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> spotted water hemlock ( <i>Cicuta maculata</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> small northern bog orchid ( <i>Platanthera obtusata</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> alpine enchanter's nightshade ( <i>Circaea alpina</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> brook cinquefoil ( <i>Potentilla rivalis</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> swamp thistle ( <i>Cirsium muticum</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> smooth rattlesnakeroot ( <i>Prenanthes racemosa</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> bluebead lily ( <i>Clintonia borealis</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> green-flowered pyrola ( <i>Pyrola chlorantha</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> goldthread ( <i>Coptis trifolia</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> hooked crowfoot ( <i>Ranunculus recurvatus</i> )	2
<input type="checkbox"/> striped coralroot ( <i>Corallorhiza striata</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> dwarf raspberry ( <i>Rubus pubescens</i> )	2
<input type="checkbox"/> early coralroot ( <i>Corallorhiza trifida</i> )	3	<input type="checkbox"/> black-eyed susan ( <i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> )	1
<input type="checkbox"/> yellow lady's slipper ( <i>Cypripedium parviflorum</i> )	2	<input type="checkbox"/> great water dock ( <i>Rumex britannica</i> )	3
<input type="checkbox"/> showy lady's slipper ( <i>Cypripedium reginae</i> )	3		

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__ maryland black snakeroot ( <i>Sanicula marilandica</i> )	2
__ pitcher plant ( <i>Sarracenia purpurea</i> )	3
__ lance-leaved figwort ( <i>Scrophularia lanceolata</i> )	1
__ long-leaved chickweed ( <i>Stellaria longifolia</i> )	1
__ rose twistedstalk ( <i>Streptopus lanceolatus</i> )	2
__ bog aster ( <i>Symphyotrichum boreale</i> )	3
__ side-flowering aster ( <i>Symphyotrichum lateriflorum</i> )	2
__ red-stemmed aster ( <i>Symphyotrichum puniceum</i> )	3
__ early meadow-rue ( <i>Thalictrum dioicum</i> )	2
__ starflower ( <i>Trientalis borealis</i> )	3
__ nodding trillium ( <i>Trillium cernuum</i> )	2
__ pale bellwort ( <i>Uvularia sessilifolia</i> )	3
__ American vetch ( <i>Vicia americana</i> )	3
__ small white violet ( <i>Viola macloskeyi</i> )	2

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__ bearded shorthusk ( <i>Brachyelytrum erectum</i> )	3
__ drooping wood sedge ( <i>Carex arctata</i> )	3
__ golden-fruited sedge ( <i>Carex aurea</i> )	3
__ crested sedge ( <i>Carex cristatella</i> )	1
__ Dewey's sedge ( <i>Carex deweyana</i> )	2
__ soft-leaved sedge ( <i>Carex disperma</i> )	2
__ porcupine sedge ( <i>Carex hystericina</i> )	3
__ interior sedge ( <i>Carex interior</i> )	2
__ bladder sedge ( <i>Carex intumescens</i> )	2
__ bristle-stalked sedge ( <i>Carex leptalea</i> )	2
__ long-stalked sedge ( <i>Carex pedunculata</i> )	2
__ prairie sedge ( <i>Carex prairea</i> )	3
__ awl-fruited sedge ( <i>Carex stipata</i> )	2
__ tussock sedge ( <i>Carex stricta</i> )	3
__ drooping woodreed ( <i>Cinna latifolia</i> )	2
__ nodding fescue ( <i>Festuca subverticillata</i> )	2
__ fowl manna grass ( <i>Glyceria striata</i> )	3
__ pointed woodrush ( <i>Luzula acuminata</i> )	2
__ mountain ricegrass ( <i>Oryzopsis asperifolia</i> )	3
__ false melic grass ( <i>Schizachne purpurascens</i> )	3

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<b>TREES AND SHRUBS</b>	
__ balsam fir ( <i>Abies balsamea</i> )	2
__ red maple ( <i>Acer rubrum</i> )	3
__ mountain maple ( <i>Acer spicatum</i> )	2
__ speckled alder ( <i>Alnus incana</i> )	3
__ yellow birch ( <i>Betula alleghaniensis</i> )	3
__ paper birch ( <i>Betula papyrifera</i> )	2
__ pipsissewa ( <i>Chimaphila umbellata</i> )	3
__ pagoda dogwood ( <i>Cornus alternifolia</i> )	2
__ bunchberry ( <i>Cornus canadensis</i> )	3
__ round-leaved dogwood ( <i>Cornus rugosa</i> )	3
__ red-osier dogwood ( <i>Cornus sericea</i> )	3
__ American hazelnut ( <i>Corylus americana</i> )	3
__ beaked hazelnut ( <i>Corylus cornuta</i> )	2
__ bush honeysuckle ( <i>Diervilla lonicera</i> )	3
__ black ash ( <i>Fraxinus nigra</i> )	2
__ green ash ( <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> )	3
__ creeping snowberry ( <i>Gaultheria hispidula</i> )	3
__ wintergreen ( <i>Gaultheria procumbens</i> )	3
__ tamarack ( <i>Larix laricina</i> )	3
__ fly honeysuckle ( <i>Lonicera canadensis</i> )	3
__ hairy honeysuckle ( <i>Lonicera hirsuta</i> )	3
__ ironwood ( <i>Ostrya virginiana</i> )	3
__ white spruce ( <i>Picea glauca</i> )	2
__ black spruce ( <i>Picea mariana</i> )	3
__ jack pine ( <i>Pinus banksiana</i> )	3
__ white pine ( <i>Pinus strobus</i> )	3
__ quaking aspen ( <i>Populus tremuloides</i> )	2
__ pin cherry ( <i>Prunus pensylvanica</i> )	3
__ chokecherry ( <i>Prunus virginiana</i> )	2
__ bur oak ( <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> )	3
__ northern red oak ( <i>Quercus rubra</i> )	3
__ alderleaf buckthorn ( <i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i> )	3
__ Labrador tea ( <i>Rhododendron groenlandicum</i> )	3
__ prickly gooseberry ( <i>Ribes cynosbati</i> )	3
__ swamp gooseberry ( <i>Ribes hirtellum</i> )	2
__ swamp red currant ( <i>Ribes triste</i> )	1
__ prickly rose ( <i>Rosa acicularis</i> )	3

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__ Allegheny blackberry ( <i>Rubus allegheniensis</i> )	3
__ prairie willow ( <i>Salix humilis</i> )	3
__ balsam willow ( <i>Salix pyrifolia</i> )	3
__ red-berried elder ( <i>Sambucus racemosa</i> )	1
__ showy mountain ash ( <i>Sorbus decora</i> )	3
__ white cedar ( <i>Thuja occidentalis</i> )	3
__ basswood ( <i>Tilia americana</i> )	2
__ western poison ivy ( <i>Toxicodendron rydbergii</i> )	3
__ American elm ( <i>Ulmus americana</i> )	2
__ lowbush blueberry ( <i>Vaccinium angustifolium</i> )	3
__ velvet-leaved blueberry ( <i>Vaccinium myrtilloides</i> )	3
__ small cranberry ( <i>Vaccinium oxycoccos</i> )	3
__ European cranberrybush ( <i>Viburnum opulus</i> )**	2
__ downy arrowwood ( <i>Viburnum rafinesquianum</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

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

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