

PLANT CHECKLIST

Watrous Island SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



Species	Confidence
AQUATICS	
__ water smartweed (<i>Persicaria amphibia</i>)	3
CLIMBERS/VINES AND EPIPHYTES	
__ woodbine (<i>Parthenocissus vitacea</i>)	2
__ wild grape (<i>Vitis riparia</i>)	2
FERNS AND LYCOPHYTES	
__ rattlesnake fern (<i>Botrypus virginianus</i>)	2
__ common scouring rush (<i>Equisetum praealtum</i>)	2
__ ostrich fern (<i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i>)	2
FORBS	
__ red baneberry (<i>Actaea rubra</i>)	2
__ roadside agrimony (<i>Agrimonia striata</i>)	2
__ hog peanut (<i>Amphicarpaea bracteata</i>)	2
__ canada anemone (<i>Anemone canadensis</i>)	2
__ leafy beggarticks (<i>Bidens frondosa</i>)	2
__ alpine enchanter's nightshade (<i>Circaea alpina</i>)	3
__ common enchanter's nightshade (<i>Circaea canadensis</i>)	2
__ Canada thistle (<i>Cirsium arvense</i>)*	2
__ flat-topped aster (<i>Doellingeria umbellata</i>)	2
__ wild cucumber (<i>Echinocystis lobata</i>)	2
__ wood strawberry (<i>Fragaria vesca</i>)	2
__ common strawberry (<i>Fragaria virginiana</i>)	2
__ northern bedstraw (<i>Galium boreale</i>)	2
__ obtuse bedstraw (<i>Galium obtusum</i>)	2
__ sweet-scented bedstraw (<i>Galium triflorum</i>)	2
__ Jerusalem artichoke (<i>Helianthus tuberosus</i>)	2
__ spotted touch-me-not (<i>Impatiens capensis</i>)	2
__ woodnettle (<i>Laportea canadensis</i>)	2
__ cut-leaved bugleweed (<i>Lycopus americanus</i>)	3
__ fringed loosestrife (<i>Lysimachia ciliata</i>)	2
__ Canada mayflower (<i>Maianthemum canadense</i>)	2
__ starry false Solomon's seal (<i>Maianthemum stellatum</i>)	2
__ Clayton's sweet cicely (<i>Osmorhiza claytonii</i>)	2
__ hairy Solomon's seal (<i>Polygonatum pubescens</i>)	2
__ white rattlesnakeroot (<i>Prenanthes alba</i>)	2

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__ black-eyed susan (<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>)	2
__ tall coneflower (<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>)	2
__ maryland black snakeroot (<i>Sanicula marilandica</i>)	2
__ mad dog skullcap (<i>Scutellaria lateriflora</i>)	2
__ smooth carrion flower (<i>Smilax herbacea</i>)	2
__ giant goldenrod (<i>Solidago gigantea</i>)	2
__ Lindley's aster (<i>Symphotrichum ciliolatum</i>)	2
__ side-flowering aster (<i>Symphotrichum lateriflorum</i>)	2
__ common dandelion (<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>)*	2
__ tall meadow-rue (<i>Thalictrum dasycarpum</i>)	2
__ nodding trillium (<i>Trillium cernuum</i>)	2
__ American vetch (<i>Vicia americana</i>)	2
__ small white violet (<i>Viola macloskeyi</i>)	2
__ yellow violet (<i>Viola pubescens</i>)	2
GRAMINOIDS	
__ fringed brome (<i>Bromus ciliatus</i>)	2
__ Dewey's sedge (<i>Carex deweyana</i>)	2
__ Pennsylvania sedge (<i>Carex pensylvanica</i>)	2
__ eastern star sedge (<i>Carex radiata</i>)	2
__ retrorse sedge (<i>Carex retrorsa</i>)	3
__ slender wheatgrass (<i>Elymus trachycaulus</i>)	2
TREES AND SHRUBS	
__ balsam fir (<i>Abies balsamea</i>)	2
__ box elder (<i>Acer negundo</i>)	2
__ silver maple (<i>Acer saccharinum</i>)	2
__ sugar maple (<i>Acer saccharum</i>)	3
__ paper birch (<i>Betula papyrifera</i>)	3
__ pagoda dogwood (<i>Cornus alternifolia</i>)	2
__ black ash (<i>Fraxinus nigra</i>)	2
__ green ash (<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>)	2
__ white spruce (<i>Picea glauca</i>)	2
__ quaking aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>)	2
__ chokecherry (<i>Prunus virginiana</i>)	2
__ bur oak (<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>)	2
__ skunk currant (<i>Ribes glandulosum</i>)	2
__ prickly rose (<i>Rosa acicularis</i>)	2

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__ American red raspberry (<i>Rubus idaeus</i>)**	3
__ slender willow (<i>Salix petiolaris</i>)	3
__ basswood (<i>Tilia americana</i>)	2
__ western poison ivy (<i>Toxicodendron rydbergii</i>)	2
__ American elm (<i>Ulmus americana</i>)	2
__ nannyberry (<i>Viburnum lentago</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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