

Happy Autumn!

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, send me (lisal Gould@gmail.com) your observations, including common name, scientific name (if possible), place observed (locale, town, county), date observed, stage (e.g., in bloom, in fruit, leaves only, etc.), and observer's name. Please report only for the following counties: Alamance, Caswell, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, and Yadkin.

Please include only plants that are in the wild (native or naturalized)—no garden plants. Species with an asterisk (*) are not native to our area but have naturalized here.

Nomenclature is from *Flora of the Southern and Mid-Atlantic States*, Working Draft of November 2012, by Alan S. Weakley, UNC Herbarium, Chapel Hill NC. Available as a free download (a searchable pdf) from: <http://www.herbarium.unc.edu/flora.htm>

Invasive species status [marked with an exclamation point and a number] is from the NC Native Plant Society's *Invasive Exotic Plants in NC – 2010*, which is available at <http://www.ncwildflower.org/invasives/list.htm>. The Society ranks invasive plants by the threat level: Rank 1 [!1] = Severe Threat, Rank 2 [!2] = Significant Threat, Rank 3 [!3] = Lesser Threat, Watch List A [!4] = naturalizing and may become a problem, Watch List B [!5] = known threat in other states but not yet a problem here. This list is a work-in-progress—if you have comments, go to the web link for information on how to provide feedback.

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The attached photo of a Common Buckeye caterpillar on Slender Gerardia (*Agalinis tenuifolia*) is by Dennis Burnette; the one of New York Ironweed (*Vernonia noveboracensis*) is by Stan Gilliam.

FORSYTH COUNTY

*[!2] **Porcelain-vine**, *Ampelopsis brevipedunculata* (in fruit). Edges, 10/2/13 (Lisa Gould).

***Hoary Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (leaves). Yards, 10/23/13 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Autumn Clematis**, *Clematis terniflora* [= *Clematis paniculata*] (in bloom). Roadsides, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould)

Fireweed, *Erechtites hieraciifolia* (in bloom & fruit). Ruderal, 10/2/13 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] **English Ivy**, *Hedera helix* (in bloom & fruit). Ruderal, 10/23/13 (Lisa Gould).

***Cat's Ear**, *Hypochaeris radicata* (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

Spotted Touch-me-not, *Impatiens capensis* (in bloom + fruit). Runnymede Park, 10/7/13 (Lisa Gould).

***Common Morning-glory**, *Ipomoea purpurea* (in bloom). Ruderal, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Purple Dead-nettle**, *Lamium purpureum* (leaves). Yards, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

Common Evening Primrose, *Oenothera biennis* (in bloom). Roadsides, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

*Creeping Lady's-sorrel, *Oxalis corniculata* (in bloom). Ruderal, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

Yellow Wood-sorrel, *Oxalis stricta* (in bloom & fruit). Ruderal, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

*Lady's Thumb, *Persicaria maculosa* [= *Polygonum persicaria*] (in bloom). Ruderal, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

Pokeweed, *Phytolacca americana* (in fruit). Roadsides, 10/23/13 (Lisa Gould).

*Indian-strawberry, *Potentilla indica* [= *Duchesne indica*] (in bloom & fruit). Yards, 10/23/13 (Lisa Gould).

Oaks, *Quercus* spp. (in fruit). 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

Goldenrods, *Solidago* spp. (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

Small white asters, *Symphotrichum* spp. (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

*Common Dandelion, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom). Yards, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

*White Clover, *Trifolium repens* (in bloom). Yards, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

Wingstem, *Verbesina alternifolia* (in bloom). Bethania roadsides, 10/24/13 (Lisa Gould).

Common Blue Violet, *Viola sororia* (in bloom). Yard, 10/22/13 (Lisa Gould).

GUILFORD COUNTY

Slender Gerardia, *Agalinis tenuifolia* (in bloom). 9/26/13 (Dennis Burnette).

Purple-stemmed Aster, *Symphotrichum puniceum* [= *Aster puniceus*] (in bloom). 10/9/13 (Stan Gilliam).

New York Ironweed, *Vernonia noveboracensis* (in bloom). 10/9/13 (Stan Gilliam).

YADKIN COUNTY

Common White Snakeroot, *Ageratina altissima* var. *altissima* [= *Eupatorium rugosum*] (in bloom). 10/13/13 (Matthew Perry).

Hedge Bindweed, *Calystegia sepium* [= *Convolvulus sepium*] (in bloom). 10/20/13 (Matthew Perry).

Tall Thistle, *Cirsium altissimum* (in bloom). 9/29/13 (Matthew Perry)

Beechdrops, *Epifagus virginiana* (in bloom). 10/5/13 (Matthew Perry).

Common White Heart-leaved Aster, *Eurybia divaricata* [= *Aster divaricatus*] (in bloom). 10/20/13 (Matthew Perry).

Common Morning-glory, *Ipomoea purpurea (in bloom). 10/23/13 (Matthew Perry).

Tall Rattlesnake Root, *Nabalus altissimus* [= *Prenanthes altissima*] (in bloom). 10/5/13 (Matthew Perry).

Lion's-foot/Gall-of-the Earth, *Nabalus serpentaria* [= *Prenanthes serpentaria*] (in bloom). 9/29/13 (Matthew Perry)

***[1!] Japanese Knotweed, *Reynoutria japonica* [= *Fallopia japonica*, *Polygonum cuspidatum*]** (in bloom). 10/20/13 (Matthew Perry).

Cranefly Orchid, *Tipularia discolor* (in leaf). 10/20/13 (Matthew Perry).

Wingstem, *Verbesina alternifolia* (in bloom). 9/29/13 (Matthew Perry).