

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, send me an email (lisal Gould@gmail.com) or text (336-837-9833) 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 29 May 2015, by Alan S. Weakley, UNC Herbarium, Chapel Hill NC. Available as a free download (a searchable pdf) from: http://www.herbarium.unc.edu/FloraArchives/WeakleyFlora_2015-05-29.pdf

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.

The Triad Flora Report is sent via email to members of the Audubon Society of Forsyth County, the Triad Chapter of the Carolina Butterfly Society, and the Triad Chapter of the NC Native Plant Society. If you want to receive the reports, please join one (or all!) of these great groups.

The attached photo of Wild Sweet Potato is by Barbara Cullen. The photos of Eastern Rose-mallow and Queen Anne's Lace are by Lisa Gould.

FORSYTH COUNTY

Bottlebrush Buckeye, *Aesculus parviflora* (in bloom). Long Creek Park, Pfafftown, 7/9/18 (Shelley Rutkin). *Probably an escape from a nearby yard, as this is not native in NC and not reported naturalizing widely.*

*[!1] **Tree-of-heaven, *Ailanthus altissima*** (in fruit). Roadsides, 7/17/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] **Mimosa, *Albizia julibrissin*** (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides, 7/30/18 (Lisa Gould).

Trumpet Creeper, *Campsis radicans* (in bloom). Edges, 7/18/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!5B] **Musk Thistle, *Carduus nutans*** (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides, 7/15/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!3] **Chickory, *Cichorium intybus*** (in bloom). Roadsides, 7/17/18 (Lisa Gould).

Common Horseweed/Mare's-tail, *Conyza canadensis* [= *Erigeron canadensis*] (in bloom). Edges, 7/13/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!3] **Queen Anne's Lace, *Daucus carota*** (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Buttonweed, *Diodia virginiana* (in bloom). Lawns, 7/30/18 (Lisa Gould).

Joe-Pye-weed, *Eutrochium* sp. (in bloom). Damp edges, 7/13/18 (Lisa Gould).

Eastern Rose-mallow, *Hibiscus moscheutos* (in bloom). Tanglewood, 7/26/18 (Ron Morris).
Bethabara wetlands, 7/27/18 (Trena McNabb).

Spotted Cat's-ear, *Hypochaeris radicata (in bloom + fruit). Lawns and edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Wild Sweet Potato, *Ipomoea pandurata* (in bloom). Edges, 7/17/18 (Barbara Cullen).
Roadsides, 7/31/18 (Lisa Gould).

Common Morning-glory, *Ipomoea purpurea (in bloom). Edges, 7/8/18 (Lisa Gould).

***Prickly Lettuce, *Lactuca serriola* [= *Lactuca scariola*]** (in bloom & fruit). Edges, 7/3/18 (Lisa Gould).

Poor Man's Pepper, *Lepidium virginicum* (in bloom + fruit). Edges, 7/18/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!3] **Ox-eye Daisy, *Leucanthemum vulgare* [= *Chrysanthemum leucanthemum*]** (in bloom + fruit).
Roadsides, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Shining Privet, *Ligustrum lucidum*** (in bloom). Edges, 7/3/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] **Japanese Honeysuckle, *Lonicera japonica*** (in bloom). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Common Evening-primrose, *Oenothera biennis* (in bloom). Roadsides, 7/30/18 (Lisa Gould).

Virginia Creeper, *Parthenocissus quinquefolia* (in fruit forming). Edges, 7/18/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Longbristle Smartweed, *Persicaria longiseta* [= *Polygonum caespitosum* var. *longisetum*]** (in bloom).
Lawns & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Pokeweed, *Phytolacca americana* (in bloom & fruit). Edges, 7/30/18 (Lisa Gould).

Ribgrass, *Plantago lanceolata (in bloom). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

***Indian-strawberry, *Potentilla indica* [= *Duchesne indica*]** (in bloom + fruit). Lawns & edges,
throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Sumac, *Rhus* sp. (in bloom). Roadsides, 7/17/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Johnson-grass, *Sorghum halapense*** (in bloom). Roadsides, throughout month (Lisa Gould)

White Clover, *Trifolium repens (in bloom). Lawns & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

*[!4A] **Common Mullein, *Verbascum thapsus*** (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides, 7/30/18 (Lisa Gould).

Common Wingstem, *Verbesina alternifolia* (in bloom). Edges, 7/30/18 (Lisa Gould).



Daucus carota in fruit

Hibiscus moscheutos





Ipomoea pandurata