Triad Flora Report November–December 2021

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, send me an email (<u>lisalgould@gmail.com</u>) 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 Southeastern United States*, 2020, by Alan S. Weakley, UNC Herbarium, Chapel Hill NC. Available as a free download (a searchable pdf) from: <u>https://ncbg.unc.edu/research/unc-herbarium/floras/</u>

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 <u>Audubon Society of Forsyth County</u>, the Triad Chapter of <u>the Carolina Butterfly Society</u>, and the Triad Chapter of the <u>NC Native Plant Society</u>. If you want to receive the reports, please join one (or all!) of these great groups.

The photos of Green Arrow-arum (*Peltandra virginica*) fruit and of Skunk Cabbage (*Symplocarpus foetidus*) in bloom are by Stan Gilliam; the photo of Puttyroot (*Aplectrum hyemale*) foliage is by Ann Walter-Fromson, and the photo of fall grasses and asters is by Lisa Gould.

Observation from Bernie Carr and Lisa Gould: it has been a very heavy mast year, with big fruit crops on hickory, oak, and walnut trees.

FORSYTH COUNTY

*[!3] Field Garlic, *Allium vineale* (leaves emerged). Bethabara woodland, 11/3/21 (Lisa Gould).

***[!4A] Italian Arum**, *Arum italicum* ssp. *italicum* (leaves emerged). Bethabara woodland, 11/15/21 (Lisa Gould).

*Hairy Bittercress, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom + developing fruit). Edges, 12/23/21 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Sweet Autumn Clematis, *Clematis terniflora* (in bloom + fruit). Edges, 11/3/21 (Lisa Gould).

Plume Grass, *Erianthus* **sp.** [= *Saccharum* **sp.**] (in fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Winged Euonymus, *Euonymus alatus* (in fruit). Bethabara woodland, 11/3/21 (Lisa Gould).

*[!3] Hairy Crabweed, Fatoua villosa (in fruit). Bethabara woodland, 11/3/21 (Lisa Gould).

***[!2] Gill-over-the-ground**, *Glechoma hederacea* (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

* **Spotted Cat's-ear**, *Hypochaeris radicata* (in bloom + fruit). Edges, 11/3/21 (Lisa Gould).

Black Walnut, *Juglans nigra* (in fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

***Henbit**, *Lamium amplexicaule* (in bloom). Edges, 12/7/21 + 12/21/21 (Lisa Gould).

Northern Spicebush, *Lindera benzoin* (a few fruits remaining). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

***[!2] Amur Honeysuckle**, *Lonicera maackii* (in fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

***[!2]** Longbristle Smartweed, *Persicaria longiseta* [= *Polygonum caespitosum* var. *longisetum*] (in bloom + fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

***Indian-strawberry**, *Potentilla indica* [= *Duchesnea indica*] (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 11/17/21 (Lisa Gould).

Little Bluestem, *Schizachyrium scoparium* (in fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

*[!3] Common Groundsel, Senecio vulgaris (in bloom + fruit). Edges, 12/23/21 (Lisa Gould).

Goldenrods, *Solidago* spp. (in fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

*Prickly Sow-thistle, *Sonchus asper* (in bloom). Edge, 12/22/21 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Common Chickweed, *Stellaria media* (rosettes). Bethabara woodland, 11/3/21 (Lisa Gould). (in bloom). Edges, throughout December (Lisa Gould).

White Panicle Aster, *Symphyotrichum lanceolatum* [= *Aster lanceolatus*] (in bloom ([a few blossoms] + fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

Asters, *Symphyotrichum* spp. (in fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

***Common Dandelion**, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom + fruit). Yards and edges, throughout both months (Lisa Gould).

*White Clover, *Trifolium repens* (in bloom). Yards and edges, throughout both months (Lisa Gould).

Common Wingstem, *Verbesina alternifolia* (in fruit + a few flowers). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 11/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

Common Blue Violet, *Viola sororia* var. *sororia* (in bloom + fruit). Lawns, 12/30/21 (Lisa Gould).

GUILFORD COUNTY

Puttyroot, Aplectrum hyemale (foliage). Laurel Bluff Trail, 12/16/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Green Arrow-arum, *Peltandra virginica* (in fruit). Oak Ridge, 12/17/21 (Stan Gilliam).

Skunk Cabbage, *Symplocarpus foetidus* (in bloom). Oak Ridge, 12/28/21 (Stan Gilliam).

Symplocarpus foetidus SG



Puttyroot leaves AWF



Peltandra seeds SG



Fall glory LLG

