Triad Flora Report January–February 2022

Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, and Yadkin.

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, email me (<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,

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: https://ncbg.unc.edu/research/unc-herbarium/floras/

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 attached photos of Silverthorn fruit (*Elaeagnus pungens*) and of Persian Speedwell (*Veronica persica*) and Purple Dead-nettle (*Lamium purpureum*) blooming together are by Lisa Gould.

ALAMANCE COUNTY

Dimpled Trout Lily, *Erythronium umbilicatum* (in bloom). Burlington area, 2/25/22 (Margaret Henschel).

Round-lobed Hepatica, *Hepatica americana* (in bloom). Burlington area, 2/25/22 (Margaret Henschel).

FORSYTH COUNTY

Red Maple, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). All over, 2/23/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!3] Field Garlic, *Allium vineale* (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/1/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Leatherleaf Mahonia**, *Mahonia bealei* [= *Berberis bealei*] (in bud and bloom beginning). Edges, 1/25/22 (Lisa Gould). First-of-year honeybees nectaring on it.

*Hairy Bittercress, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom and fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/1/22 (Lisa Gould).

Yards & edges, throughout January & February (Lisa Gould).

*[!4A] Silverthorn, *Elaeagnus pungens* (ripening fruit). Edge, 1/25/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Ground-ivy, *Glechoma hederacea* (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/1/22 (Lisa Gould).

*Chinese Holly, *Ilex cornuta* (in fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/1/22 (Lisa Gould).

Eastern Red Cedar, Juniperus virginiana (male cones forming). Woods, 2/10/22 (Lisa Gould).

*Henbit, *Lamium amplexicaule* (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 2/22/22 and throughout rest of February (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Purple Dead-nettle, *Lamium purpureum* (bloom beginning). Lawns and edges, 1/25/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] Fragrant Honeysuckle, *Lonicera fragrantissima* (in bloom). Edges, 1/13/22 and throughout rest of January and February (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Common Chickweed, *Stellaria media* (in bloom). Lawns and edges, 2/2/22 (Lisa Gould).

*Common Dandelion, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom + fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/1/22 (Lisa Gould).

C.G. Hill, Pfafftown, 1/1/22 (Lisa Gould).

Edges & lawns, throughout January and February (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Ivyleaf Speedwell, *Veronica hederifolia* (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 2/21/22 (Lisa Gould).

*Persian/Bird's-eye Speedwell, *Veronica persica* (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 2/21/22 (Lisa Gould).

Common Blue Violet, Viola sororia (in bloom). Yards, 2/21/22 (Lisa Gould).

GUILFORD COUNTY

*Henbit, Lamium amplexicaule (in bloom). Lawn, 2/28/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

*Persian/Bird's-eye Speedwell, *Veronica persica* (in bloom). Lawn, 2/28/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).



Elaegnus pungens



Lamium purpureum and Veronica persica