

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. You can send your data at any time; I like to receive observations for a month by **the 9th** of the following month.

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.

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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 photo of Butterfly Pea (*Clitoria mariana*) is by Allison Gagnon, the photo of Maypops (*Passiflora incarnata*) is by Marilyn McDonald, and the photo of Common Evening-primrose (*Oenothera biennis*) is by Lisa Gould.

FORSYTH COUNTY

Rhombic Copperleaf/Three-seeded Mercury, *Acalypha rhomboidea* (in bloom and fruit). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Common Groundnut, *Apios americana* (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).
W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Common Ragweed, *Ambrosia artemisiifolia* (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).
Edge, 8/30/22 (Lisa Gould).

Giant Ragweed, *Ambrosia trifida* var. *trifida* (bloom beginning). Edge, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

***[!2] Porcelain-berry, *Ampelopsis glandulosa* [= *Ampelopsis brevipedunculata*]** (in bloom + ripening fruit). Edges, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Swamp Milkweed, *Asclepias incarnata* (in bloom). W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Common Milkweed, *Asclepias syriaca* (in bloom). Roadside, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).
(in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Flowering Dogwood, *Benthamidia florida* [= *Cornus florida*] (ripening fruit). Woods, 8/20/22 (Lisa Gould).

Midwestern Tickseed-sunflower, *Bidens aristosa* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Beggar's-ticks, *Bidens sp.* (in bloom). W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Hickory, *Carya spp.* (dropping green fruit). Suburban woods, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Buttonbush, *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).

(in bloom). W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Common Partridge-pea, *Chamaecrista fasciculata var. fasciculata* (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).

Common Sensitive-plant, *Chamaecrista nictitans var. nictitans* (in bloom). W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Sweet Autumn Clematis, *Clematis terniflora*** [= *Clematis paniculata*] (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).

W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Roadsides & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Butterfly Pea, *Clitoria mariana var. mariana* (in bloom). Salem Lake (Linville Road side), 8/14/22 (Allison Gagnon).

Common Dayflower, *Commelina communis (in bloom). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).
Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

European Bindweed, *Convolvulus sepium [the taxonomy of this species undergoing changes] (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

Common Horseweed/Mare's-tail, *Conyza canadensis* [= *Erigeron canadensis*] (in bloom + fruit). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Roadsides & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Bermuda Grass, *Cynodon dactylon (in bloom + fruit). Yards & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Jimsonweed, *Datura stramonium (in bloom). Edge, 8/31/22 (Lisa Gould).

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

Tick-trefoil, *Desmodium sp.* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Buttonweed, *Diodia virginiana* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

Northern Crab Grass, *Digitaria sanguinalis (in bloom + fruit). Yards, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Buttonweed, *Diodia virginiana* (in bloom). Lawns, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Eastern Purple Coneflower, *Echinacea purpurea* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb). *An escape from local cultivation?*

Leafy Elephant's-foot, *Elephantopus carolinianus* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Goose Grass, *Eleusine indica (in bloom + fruit). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Fireweed/Pilewort, *Erechtites hieraciifolius* (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides and edges, 8/31/22 (Lisa Gould).

Common Boneset, *Eupatorium perfoliatum* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/28/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Sessile-leaf Eupatorium, *Eupatorium sessilifolium* (in bloom). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Milk-purslane/Spotted Spurge/Prostrate Spurge, *Euphorbia maculata* [= *Chamaesyce maculata*] (in bloom + fruit). Sidewalks and edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Common White Heart-leaved Aster/White Wood Aster, *Eurybia divaricata* [= *Aster divaricatus*] (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/28/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Joe-Pye-weed, *Eutrochium sp.* (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).
Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

American Beech, *Fagus grandifolia* (in fruit). Woods, 8/31/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!3] **Hairy Crabweed/Mulberry-weed, *Fatoua villosa*** (in bloom). Bethabara woodland, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Jerusalem Artichoke, *Helianthus tuberosus (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

Eastern Rose-mallow, *Hibiscus moscheutos* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).
(in bloom & fruit). W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Japanese Hops, *Humulus japonicus*** (foliage). Near Salem Creek Greenway, 8/30/22 (Lisa Gould).

Low St. John's-wort, *Hypericum stragalum* (in bloom). Waste area, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

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

Spotted Jewelweed, *Impatiens capensis* (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).

W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Muddy Creek Greenway, mostly near bridges, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Scarlet Creeper, *Ipomoea coccinea* (in bloom). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Ivyleaf Morning-glory, *Ipomoea hederacea (in bloom). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Small White Morning-glory, *Ipomoea lacunosa* (in bloom). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Wild Sweet Potato, *Ipomoea pandurata* (in bloom). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).
Roadsides, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Common Morning-glory, *Ipomoea purpurea (in bloom). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).
Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Cypress-vine, *Ipomoea quamoclit (in bloom). Edge, 8/31/22 (Lisa Gould).

Everlasting Pea, *Lathyrus latifolius (in bloom + fruit). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Creeping Lespedeza, *Lespedeza repens* (in bloom). Waste area, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

[!3] Big Blue Lilyturf, *Liriope muscaria (in bloom). Naturalizing in lawns and edges, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Cardinal Flower, *Lobelia cardinalis* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

Muddy Creek Greenway, Cedar Trail Connector, edge of greenway trail, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).

Indian Tobacco, *Lobelia inflata* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).

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

Alternate-leaved Seedbox, *Ludwigia alternifolia* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

Mouse-melon, *Melothria pendula* (in bloom + fruit). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

[!1] Japanese Stiltgrass, *Microstegium vimineum (foliage). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail + widespread in wooded areas, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Allegheny Monkey-flower, *Mimulus ringens* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Cedar Trail Connector, Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Sacred-lotus, *Nelumbo nucifera (in bloom & fruit). W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Common Evening-primrose, *Oenothera biennis* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

(in bloom + green fruit). Roadside, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Creeping Lady's-sorrel, *Oxalis corniculata (in bloom + fruit). Lawns, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Common Yellow Wood-sorrel, *Oxalis stricta* (in bloom + fruit). Lawns, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Purple Passionflower/Maypops, *Passiflora incarnata* (in bloom). Salem Lake, 8/16/22 (Marilyn McDonald).

W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Cedar Trail Connector, Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Yellow Passionflower, *Passiflora lutea* [in bloom + fruit]. Woodland edge, 8/22/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Longbristle Smartweed**, *Persicaria longiseta* [= *Polygonum caespitosum* var. *longisetum*] (in bloom). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Lady's-thumb**, *Persicaria maculosa* [= *Polygonum persicaria*] (in bloom). Yard, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

Smartweeds, *Persicaria* spp. (unable to get close enough to ID further) (in bloom). W.D. Poindexter Wildlife Preserve, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Pokeweed, *Phytolacca americana* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).
(in bloom & fruit). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

***Heal-all**, *Prunella vulgaris* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Oaks, *Quercus* spp. (dropping green fruit). Suburban woods, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

Maryland Meadow-beauty, *Rhexia mariana* (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).
Cedar Trail Connector, Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Winged Sumac, *Rhus copallinum* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).

Bitter-bloom/Common Marsh-pink, *Sabatia angularis* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Common Cup-plant, *Silphium perfoliatum* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/28/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Horse-nettle/Ball-nettle, *Solanum carolinense* var. *carolinense* (in bloom + fruit). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Eastern Black Nightshade, *Solanum emulans* [= *Solanum ptychanthum*] (in bloom). Gateway Nature Preserve, 8/20/22 (Jeremy Reiskind).

Goldenrods, *Solidago* spp. (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).

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

Silky Dogwood, *Swida amomum* [= *Cornus amomum*] (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/28/22 (Margaret Cobb).

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

***Purple Vervain**, *Verbena rigida* (in bloom). Runnymede Park, 8/17/22 (Lisa Gould).

White Vervain, *Verbena urticifolia* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/28/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Common Wingstem, *Verbesina alternifolia* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway/Jamison Park, 8/1/22 (Ga Baliga).
Damp edges, 8/29/22 (Lisa Gould).

New York Ironweed, *Vernonia noveboracensis* (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, 8/27/22 (Ga Baliga).

GUILFORD COUNTY

Hog-peanut, *Amphicarpaea bracteata* (in bloom). Laurel Bluff Trail, 8/31/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Common Dayflower, *Commelina communis (in bloom). Bog Garden, 8/16/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Purple-node Joe-Pye-weed, *Eutrochium purpureum* var. *purpureum* (in bloom). Laurel Bluff Trail, 8/31/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Indian Tobacco, *Lobelia inflata* (in bloom). Bog Garden, 8/16/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Wingstem Water-primrose, *Ludwigia decurrens* (in bloom). Bog Garden, 8/16/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Tall Rattlesnake-root, *Nabalus altissimus* [= *Prenanthes altissima*] (in bloom). Laurel Bluff Trail, 8/31/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Smartweed, *Persicaria* sp. (white flowers) (in bloom). Bog Garden, 8/16/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Cut-leaf Grape Fern, *Sceptridium dissectum* [= *Botrychium dissectum*] (with fertile frond). Laurel Bluff Trail, 8/31/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Starry Champion, *Silene stellata* (in bloom). Laurel Bluff Trail, 8/31/22 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

Common Butterfly-weed, *Asclepias tuberosa* (in bloom). Ruffin township, 8/14/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Bitterweed, *Helenium amarum (in bloom). Widespread along roadside, Ruffin township, 8/14/22 (Margaret Cobb).

Common Evening-primrose, *Oenothera biennis* (in bloom). Ruffin township, 8/14/22 (Margaret Cobb).

White Vervain, *Verbena urticifolia* (in bloom). Natural area of residential yard, Ruffin township, 8/14/22 (Margaret Cobb).



Butterfly Pea - AC



Evening Primrose - LLG



Passion Flower - MM