

Spring has definitely sprung!

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, send me ([lisal Gould@gmail.com](mailto: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 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](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.

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The attached photos of Sassafras in bloom, and Red Maple in fruit, are by Stan Gilliam.

## FORSYTH COUNTY

**Southern Sugar Maple**, *Acer floridanum* (in bloom). Woods, 3/24/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Red Maple**, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). Woods, 3/6/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Shadbush**, *Amelanchier* sp. (in bloom). Woods, 3/24/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Leatherleaf Mahonia**, *Berberis bealei* [= *Mahonia bealei*] (in bloom [most past] & fruit). Edges, 3/6/16 (Lisa Gould).

**White Ball Mustard**, *Calepina irregularis* (in bloom). Children's Home fields, 3/15/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Sweet Shrub**, *Calycanthus floridus* (in bud). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 3/27/16 (Matthew Perry).

\***Hoary Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom + fruit). Edges, 3/15/16 (Lisa Gould).

\***Mouse-ear Chickweed**, *Cerastium fontanum* ssp. *vulgare* (in bloom). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Eastern Redbud**, *Cercis canadensis* (in bloom). Roadsides, 3/15/16 (Lisa Gould).  
Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Flowering Dogwood**, *Cornus florida* (in bloom). All over, 3/28/16 (Lisa Gould).

Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Yellow Fumewort, *Corydalis flavula*** (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 3/27/16 (Matthew Perry).

\***Cypress Spurge, *Euphorbia cyparissias*** (in bloom). Roadsides, 3/23/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*?**Cleavers, *Galium aparine*** (in bloom). Edges, 3/29/16 (Lisa Gould).

\***European Field-madder, *Galium sherardia*** [= *Sherardia arvensis*] (in bloom). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Dwarf Dandelion, *Krigia virginica*** (in bloom). Edges, 3/29/16 (Lisa Gould).

\***Henbit, *Lamium amplexicaule*** (in bloom). Edges, 3/20/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Purple Dead-nettle, *Lamium purpureum*** (in bloom). Edges, 3/31/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!1] **Fragrant Honeysuckle, *Lonicera fragrantissima*** (in bloom + with young fruit). Edges, 3/6/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Amur Honeysuckle, *Lonicera maackii*** (in bloom). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Solomon's Plume, *Maianthemum racemosum*** [= *Smilacina racemosa*] (in bud). Woods, 3/31/16 (Ron Morris).

\***Indian Strawberry, *Potentilla indica*** [= *Duchesne indica*] (in bloom). Lawns, 3/20/16 (Lisa Gould).  
Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!1] **Bradford Pear, *Pyrus calleryana*** (in bloom). Roadsides, 3/15/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Oaks, *Quercus* spp.** (in bloom). All over, 3/18/16 (Lisa Gould).  
Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Southern Yellow Wood-sorrel, *Oxalis dillenii*** (in bloom). Edges, 3/23/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Kidneyleaf Buttercup, *Ranunculus abortivus*** (in bloom). Lawns, 3/16/16 (Lisa Gould).  
Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

\***Common Buttercup, *Ranunculus bulbosus*** (in bloom). Children's Home fields, 3/17/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Lyre-leaf Sage, *Salvia lyrata*** (in bloom). Edges, 3/29/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Sassafras, *Sassafras albidum*** (in bloom). Woods, 3/16/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Common Chickweed, *Stellaria media*** (in bloom). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).  
Lawns & edges, 3/31/16 (Lisa Gould).

\***Common Dandelion, *Taraxacum officinale*** (in bloom + fruit). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).  
Roadsides & edges, 3/31/16 (Lisa Gould).

\***White Clover, *Trifolium repens*** (in bloom). Roadsides and edges, 3/28/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!1] **Hybrid Asian Wisteria, *Wisteria x formosa*** (in bloom). Roadsides & edges, 3/28/16 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Ivyleaf Speedwell, *Veronica hederifolia*** (in bloom). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

Lawns, 3/31/16 (Lisa Gould).

\***Japanese Snowball**, *Viburnum plicatum* (possible ID) (in bloom). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Black Haw**, *Viburnum prunifolium* (in bloom). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

\***European Field Pansy**, *Viola arvensis* (in bloom). Edges, 3/31/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Wild Pansy**, *Viola bicolor* (in bloom). Lawns, 3/31/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Common Blue Violet**, *Viola sororia* (in bloom—both blue and “Confederate” colors). Miller Park, 3/30/16 (Lisa Gould).

Lawns, 3/31/16 (Lisa Gould).

## GUILFORD COUNTY

**Southern Sugar Maple**, *Acer floridanum* (in bloom). Woods, 3/24/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Red Maple**, *Acer rubrum* (in fruit). Oak Ridge yard, 3/26/16 (Stan Gilliam).

**Sugar Maple**, *Acer saccharum* (in bloom—possibly planted as a landscape tree). Price Park, 3/25/16 (Stan Gilliam).

**Shadbush**, *Amelanchier* sp. (in bloom). Woods, 3/24/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Round-lobed Hepatica**, *Anemone americana* [= *Hepatica americana*] (in bloom). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Common Pawpaw**, *Asimina triloba* (in bloom). Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Rattlesnake Fern**, *Botrypus virginianus* [= *Botrychium virginianum*] (foliage). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Cutleaf Toothwort**, *Cardamine concatenata* [= *Dentaria laciniata*] (in bloom). Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

\***Hoary Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom + fruit). Edges, 3/15/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Eastern Redbud**, *Cercis canadensis* (in bloom). Roadsides, 3/15/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Green-and-gold**, *Chrysogonum virginianum* (in bloom). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Flowering Dogwood**, *Cornus florida* (in bloom). All over, 3/28/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Wild Comfrey**, *Cynoglossum virginianum* (foliage, ~6” high). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

\***[3] Wild Teasel**, *Dipsacus fullonum* [= *Dipsacus sylvestris*] (with lingering fruit). Price Park meadow, 3/25/16 (Stan Gilliam).

**Bluets**, *Houstonia caerulea* (in bloom). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Tiny Bluet**, *Houstonia pusilla* (in bloom). Oak Ridge yard, 3/26/16 (Stan Gilliam).

**Green Arrow-arum**, *Peltandra virginica* (foliage). Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Mayapple**, *Podophyllum peltatum* (in bud). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).  
Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

\*[1!] **Bradford Pear**, *Pyrus calleryana* (in bloom). Roadsides, 3/15/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Kidneyleaf Buttercup**, *Ranunculus abortivus* (in bloom). Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Bloodroot**, *Sanguinaria canadensis* (a few in bloom; fruit forming on many). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).  
(in bloom). Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Sassafras**, *Sassafras albidum* (in bloom). Price Park, 3/25/16 (Stan Gilliam).

**Star Chickweed**, *Stellaria pubera* (in bloom). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).  
Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

\***Common Dandelion**, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom + fruit). Roadsides, 3/15/16 (Lisa Gould).

**Rue-anemone**, *Thalictrum thalictroides* (in bloom). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).  
Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Foamflower**, *Tiarella cordifolia* (foliage; flowers in bud). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).  
(Bloom beginning). Beech Bluff Trail, 3/31/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Perfoliate Bellwort**, *Uvularia perfoliata* (foliage). Townsend Trail, 3/30/16 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

## YADKIN COUNTY

**Red Maple**, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). Everywhere, 3/12/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Round-lobed Hepatica**, *Anemone americana* [= *Hepatica americana*] (in bloom). 3/5/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Wood Anemone**, *Anemone quinquefolia* (in bloom). Pilot Mt SP, 3/26/16 (Matthew Perry).

\***Hoary Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom). 3/9/16 (Matthew Perry)

**Cutleaf Toothwort**, *Cardamine concatentata* [= *Dentaria laciniata*] (in bud). Pilot Mt SP, 3/26/16 (Matthew Perry).

**American Redbud**, *Cercis canadensis* (in bloom). Everywhere, 3/26/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Common Spring Beauty**, *Claytonia virginica* (in bloom). Pilot Mt SP, 3/12/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Flowering Dogwood**, *Cornus florida* (in bloom). Everywhere, 3/28/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Trout Lily, *Erythronium umbilicatum*** (in bloom). Pilot Mt SP, 3/09/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Wild Strawberry, *Fragaria virginiana*** (in bloom). 3/27/2016 (Matthew Perry).

**\*[!2] Gill-over-the-ground, *Glechoma hederacea*** (in bloom). Yards & Roadsides, 3/26/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Virginia Heartleaf, *Hexastylis virginica*** (in bloom). Pilot Mt SP, 3/5/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Bluets, *Houstonia caerulea*** (in bloom). 3/19/16 (Matthew Perry).

**\*[!2] Purple Dead-nettle, *Lamium purpureum*** (in bloom). 3/12/16 (Matthew Perry).

**\*Henbit, *Lamium amplexicaule*** (in bloom). Lawns, 3/12/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Early Saxifrage, *Micranthes virginiensis* [= *Saxifraga virginiensis*]** (in bloom). 3/19/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Mayapple, *Podophyllum peltatum*** (in bud). East Bend, 3/31/16 (Matthew Perry).

**\*Indian Strawberry, *Potentilla indica*** (in bloom). 3/27/2016 (Matthew Perry).

**Bloodroot, *Sanguinaria canadensis*** (in bloom). Pilot Mt SP, 3/20/16 (Matthew Perry).

**\*[!2] Common Chickweed, *Stellaria media*** (in bloom). Woods, 3/19/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Rue-anemone, *Thalictrum thalictroides*** (in bloom). 3/19/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Toad Trillium, *Trillium cuneatum*** (in bloom). 3/20/16 (Matthew Perry).

**\*[!2] Ivyleaf Speedwell, *Veronica hederifolia*** (in bloom). Roadsides, 3/20/16 (Matt Perry).

**Wild Pansy, *Viola bicolor*** (in bloom). Roadsides 3/19/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Halberd Violet, *Viola hastata***, (in bloom). 3/26/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Common Blue Violet, *Viola sororia*** (in bloom). 3/26/16 (Matthew Perry).

**Yellowroot, *Xanthorhiza simplicissima*** (in bloom). Yadkin River 3/26/16 (Matthew Perry).