

Triad Flora Report January–February 2020

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

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The attached photos of Autumn Silverberry (*Elaeagnus pungens*) and Cut-leaf Grape Fern (*Sceptridium dissectum*) are by Lisa Gould.

FORSYTH COUNTY

Red Maple, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). All over, 2/7/20 (Lisa Gould).

***Early Wintercress**, *Barbarea verna* (rosettes). Muddy Creek Greenway, 1/4/20 (Lisa Gould).

***[!2] Leatherleaf Mahonia**, *Berberis bealei* [= *Mahonia bealei*] (almost open & honeybees out). Edges, 1/5/20 (Lisa Gould).
(in bloom + fruit forming). Edges, 2/2/20 (Lisa Gould).

***Hairy Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom & fruit). Yards & edges, throughout February (Lisa Gould).

***[!1] Asiatic Bittersweet**, *Celastrus orbiculatus* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, 1/4/20 (Lisa Gould).

***[!5] Autumn Silverberry**, *Elaeagnus pungens* (ripe fruit). Edges, 1/6/20 (Lisa Gould).

Dimpled Trout Lily, *Erythronium umbilicatum* (bloom beginning). Bethabara area, 2/28/20 (Lisa Gould).

Eastern Red Cedar, *Juniperus virginiana* (male cones forming). Woods, 1/7/20 (Lisa Gould).

Henbit, *Lamium amplexicaule (in bud). Muddy Creek Greenway, 1/4/20 (Lisa Gould).
(in bloom). Lawns & edges, 1/29/20 and throughout February (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Purple Dead-nettle, *Lamium purpureum*** (in bloom). Edges, 1/15/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Japanese Privet, *Ligustrum japonicum*** (in fruit). Edges, 1/5/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!?] **Shining Privet, *Ligustrum lucidum*** (in fruit). Edges, 1/5/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] **Chinese Privet, *Ligustrum sinense*** (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, 1/4/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] **Fragrant Honeysuckle, *Lonicera fragrantissima*** (in bloom). Edges, 1/12/20 and throughout rest of January and February (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] **Callery Pear, *Pyrus calleryana*** (in bloom). Roadsides and edges, 2/16/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] **Hedge Rose, *Rosa multiflora*** (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, 1/4/20 (Lisa Gould).

Cut-leaf Grape Fern, *Sceptridium dissectum* (sterile leaf). Bethabara area, 2/28/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!3] **Common Groundsel, *Senecio vulgaris*** (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides and edges, 2/3/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Common Chickweed, *Stellaria media*** (in bloom). Yards and edges, 1/5/20 (Lisa Gould)
+ throughout the rest of January & February.

Frost Aster, *Symphyotrichum pilosum* (a few blooms). Muddy Creek Greenway, 1/4/20 (Lisa Gould).

Common Dandelion, *Taraxacum officinale (in bloom + fruit). Edges & lawns, throughout January and February (Lisa Gould).

White Clover, *Trifolium repens (in bloom). Lawn, 1/16/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Ivyleaf Speedwell, *Veronica hederifolia*** (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 1/5/20 + throughout the rest of January & February (Lisa Gould).

Persian/Bird's-eye Speedwell *Veronica persica (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 1/5/20 + throughout the rest of January and February (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Periwinkle, *Vinca minor*** (in bloom). Edges, 2/28/20 (Lisa Gould).

Common Blue Violet, *Viola sororia* (in bloom + fruit). Lawns, 1/5/20 + throughout the rest of January & February (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Asiatic Hawk's-beard, *Youngia japonica*** (rosettes). Edges, 1/5/20 (Lisa Gould).

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***Hairy Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (in bloom). Yard, 1/12/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

*[!2] **Purple Dead-nettle**, *Lamium purpureum* (in bud). Yard, 1/1/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).
(in bloom). Piedmont Trail, 2/23/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

*[!1] **Callery Pear**, *Pyrus calleryana* (in bloom). Roadsides and edges, 2/7/20 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Common Chickweed**, *Stellaria media* (in bloom). Piedmont Trail, 2/23/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

***Common Dandelion**, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom). Yard, 1/12/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Toad Trillium, *Trillium cuneatum* (in bud). Piedmont Trail, 2/23/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

*[!2] **Ivyleaf Speedwell**, *Veronica hederifolia* (in bloom). Audubon Nature Trail, 2/14/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).
Piedmont Trail, 2/23/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

*[!2] **Greater Periwinkle**, *Vinca major* (in bloom). Piedmont Trail, 2/23/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Common Blue Violet, *Viola sororia* (in bloom). Audubon Nature Trail, 2/14/20 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Sceptridium dissectum



Elaeagnus pungens fruit

