

## Triad Flora Report January–February 2021

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, email me ([lisalgould@gmail.com](mailto: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 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/loras/>

**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 attached photo of Skunk Cabbage (*Symplocarpus foetidus*) is by Joe Mickey, the photo of Early Saxifrage (*Micranthes virginiana*) is by Matt Perry, and the photo of Tag Alder (*Alnus serrulata*) catkins is by Ann Walter-Fromson.

### FORSYTH COUNTY

\*[!3] **Field Garlic**, *Allium vineale* (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/6/21 (Lisa Gould).

Widespread, 2/27/21 (Bill Solarek).

\*[!2] **Leatherleaf Mahonia**, *Berberis bealei* [= *Mahonia bealei*] (in bloom). River Birch Creek Road, Tanglewood Park, 2/10/21 (Bill Solarek).

Edges, 2/27/21 (Barbara Cullen).

Edges, 2/28/21 (Lisa Gould).

\***Hairy Bittercress**, *Cardamine hirsuta* (rosettes). Yards & edges, 2/9/21 (Lisa Gould). (in bloom). River Trail, Tanglewood Park, 2/19/21 (Bill Solarek).

Yards, 2/25/21 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Ground-ivy**, *Glechoma hederacea* (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/6/21 (Lisa Gould).

\***Chinese Holly**, *Ilex cornuta* (in fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/6/21 (Lisa Gould).

**Eastern Red Cedar, *Juniperus virginiana*** (male cones forming). Woods, 1/15/21 (Lisa Gould).

\***Henbit, *Lamium amplexicaule*** (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 2/9/21 and throughout rest of February (Lisa Gould).

\*[!1] **Chinese Privet, *Ligustrum sinense*** (in fruit). River Trail, Tanglewood Park, 2/19/21 (Bill Solarek).

\*[!1] **Fragrant Honeysuckle, *Lonicera fragrantissima*** (in bloom). Edges, 1/2/21 and throughout rest of January and February (Lisa Gould).  
Edges, 2/27/21 (Barbara Cullen).

**Golden Ragwort, *Packera aurea*** (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/6/21 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!3] **Common Groundsel, *Senecio vulgaris*** (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides and edges, 1/19/21 (Lisa Gould) and throughout rest of January & February.

\*[!2] **Common Chickweed, *Stellaria media*** (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/6/21 (Lisa Gould).  
(in bloom). Edge, 2/9/21 (Lisa Gould).

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

\*[!2] **Ivyleaf Speedwell, *Veronica hederifolia*** (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 1/6/21 (Lisa Gould).

\***Persian/Bird's-eye Speedwell *Veronica persica*** (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 2/9/21 + throughout the rest of February (Lisa Gould).

## GUILFORD COUNTY

**Tag Alder, *Alnus serrulata*** (in bloom). Hamilton Lakes, Greensboro, 2/14/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

## ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

**Round-lobed Hepatica, *Hepatica americana*** (in bloom). Mayo River State Park, 1/23/21 (Michael Gaskin).

## STOKES COUNTY

**Virginia Heartleaf/Little Brown Jug, *Hexastylis virginica*** (foliage). Woods, 2/27/21 (Sandra Dorr).

**Crane-fly Orchid, *Tipularia discolor*** (foliage). Woods, 2/27/21 (Sandra Dorr).

## WILKES COUNTY

**Skunk Cabbage, *Symplocarpus foetidus*** (in bloom). Elkin Creek area, Carter Falls wetland, 2/20/21 (Joe Mickey).

## YADKIN COUNTY

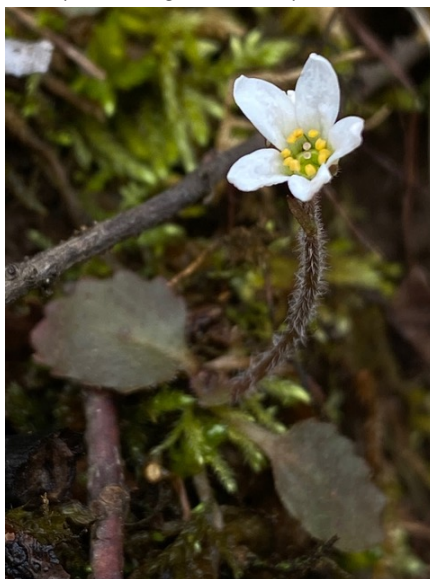
**Round-lobed Hepatica, *Hepatica americana*** (in bloom). Pilot Mountain State Park, 2/28/21 (Matthew Perry).

**Early Saxifrage, *Micranthes virginiensis*** (in bloom). Pilot Mountain State Park, 2/28/21 (Matthew Perry).

Tag Alder (AWF)



Early Saxifrage (M Perry)



Skunk Cabbage (J Mickey)

