

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 photos of Silky Dogwood (*Cornus amomum*) in fruit and Bitterweed (*Helenium amarum*) with a Goldenrod Soldier Beetle are by Margaret Cobb; the photos of Southern Mountain-mint (*Pycnanthemum pycnanthemoides*) and Bitterbloom/Rose-pink (*Sabatia angularis*) are by Ann Walter-Fromson.

FORSYTH COUNTY

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

*[!1] **Mimosa, *Albizia julibrissin*** (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/14/21 (Margaret Cobb).
(in bloom [a few] and in fruit) Roadsides, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Southern Water-plantain, *Alisma subcordatum* (in bloom). Marshy wooded area off Cedar Trail Connector, Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Green Dragon, *Arisaema dracontium* (green fruit). Kernersville, 8/3/21 (Debby Sorrell).

Common Ragweed, *Ambrosia artemisiifolia* (in bloom). Edges and roadsides, 8/25/21 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] **Porcelain-berry, *Ampelopsis glandulosa*** [= *Ampelopsis brevipedunculata*] (in bloom + ripening fruit). Edges, 8/25/21 (Lisa Gould).

Common Wild Ginger, *Asarum canadense* (foliage). Wooded area off Cedar Trail Connector, Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Common Milkweed, *Asclepias syriaca* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Midwestern Tickseed-sunflower, *Bidens aristosa* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, 8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Hedge Bindweed, *Calystegia sepium* [= *Convolvulus sepium*] (in bloom). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Trumpet Creeper, *Campsis radicans* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, 8/17/21 (Margaret Cobb).
Roadside, 8/15/21 (Lisa Gould).

Hickory, *Carya* spp. (dropping green fruit). Suburban woods, 8/12/21 (Lisa Gould).

Buttonbush, *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, 8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).

River Oats, *Chasmanthium latifolium* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Spotted Wintergreen, *Chimaphila maculata* (in bloom). Residential yard, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Water-hemlock, *Cicuta maculata* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).

*[!2] **Sweet Autumn Clematis, *Clematis terniflora*** [= *Clematis paniculata*] (in bloom + fruit forming). Roadsides & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Common Dayflower, *Commelina communis (in bloom). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Mistflower, *Conoclinium coelestinum* [= *Eupatorium coelestinum*] (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/14/21 (Margaret Cobb).
Edge, 8/19/21 (Lisa Gould).

Common Horseweed/Mare's-tail, *Conyza canadensis* [= *Erigeron canadensis*] (in bloom + fruit). Roadsides & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Flowering Dogwood, *Cornus florida* (ripening fruit). Woods, 8/18/21 (Lisa Gould).

Woodland Coreopsis, *Coreopsis major* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/14/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Silky Dogwood, *Cornus amomum* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/14/21 (Margaret Cobb).

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

*? **Yellow Nutsedge, *Cyperus esculentus* var. *leptostachyus*** (in bloom). Edges, 8/25/21 (Lisa Gould).

Jimsonweed, *Datura stramonium (in bloom + green fruit). Edge, 8/25/21 (Lisa Gould).

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

Dodder, *Cuscuta* sp. (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

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

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

Leafy Elephant's-foot, *Elephantopus carolinianus* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/14/21 (Margaret Cobb).

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

Fireweed/Pilewort, *Erechtites hieraciifolius* (in bloom & fruit). Roadsides and edges, 8/25/21 (Lisa Gould).

Common Boneset, *Eupatorium perfoliatum* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/14/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Late Boneset, *Eupatorium serotinum* (in bloom). Roadsides, 8/17/21 (Lisa Gould).

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

Joe-Pye-weed, *Eutrochium* sp. (in bloom). Creekside Trail, Bethabara Greenway, 8/12/21 (Kathy Johnson).

Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Rough Bedstraw, *Galium asprellum* (in fruit). Edges, 8/25/21 (Lisa Gould).

Spoonleaf Purple Everlasting, *Gamochaeta purpurea* (in fruit). Edge, 8/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] **English Ivy, *Hedera helix*** (in bud + bloom [a few]). Edge, 8/28/21 (Lisa Gould)

Eastern Rose-mallow, *Hibiscus moscheutos* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, 8/14/21 (Margaret Cobb).

*[!2] **Japanese Hops, *Humulus japonicus*** (foliage). Lantern Ridge Connector (bridge), Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

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). Kernersville, 8/3/21 (Debby Sorrell).
Muddy Creek Greenway, mostly near bridges, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Wild Sweet Potato, *Ipomoea pandurata* (in bloom). Edges, 8/3/21 (Lisa Gould).

Common Morning-glory, *Ipomoea purpurea (in bloom). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Cypress-vine, *Ipomoea quamoclit (in bloom). Edge, 8/25/21 (Lisa Gould).

Black Walnut, *Juglans nigra* (dropping green fruit). Suburban woods, 8/12/21 (Lisa Gould).

Eastern Red Cedar, *Juniperus virginiana* (ripe fruit). Edges, 8/12/21 (Lisa Gould).

Wood-nettle, *Laportea canadensis* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).

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

*[!1] Chinese Lespedeza, *Lespedeza cuneata* (in bloom). Edge, 8/26/21 (Lisa Gould).

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

*[!1] Chinese Privet, *Ligustrum sinense* (foliage). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, mostly near bridges, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Northern Spicebush, *Lindera benzoin* (green fruit). Kernersville, 8/3/21 (Debby Sorrell).

*[!3] Big Blue Lilyturf, *Liriope muscaria* (in bloom). Naturalizing in lawns and edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Cardinal Flower, *Lobelia cardinalis* (in bloom). Creekside Trail, Bethabara Greenway, 8/12/21 (Kathy Johnson).

Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, 8/14/21 (Margaret Cobb).

*[!1] Japanese Honeysuckle, *Lonicera japonica* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Edge, 8/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

*Honesty/Money-plant, *Lunaria annua* (in fruit). Edge, 8/24/21 (Lisa Gould).

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

Moonseed, *Menispermum canadense* (foliage). Muddy Creek Greenway, wooded areas, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

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

Allegheny Monkey-flower, *Mimulus ringens* (foliage). Cedar Trail Connector, Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Common Evening-primrose, *Oenothera biennis* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

(in bloom + fruit). Roadsides, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

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

(in bloom + fruit). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Yellow Passionflower, *Passiflora lutea* [in bloom + fruit]. Woodland, 8/8/21 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Longbristle Smartweed, *Persicaria longiseta* [= *Polygonum caespitosum* var. *longisetum*] (in bloom). Lawns & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Chamber Bitter, *Phyllanthus urinaria* ssp. *urinaria* (in fruit). Edge, 8/23/21 (Lisa Gould).

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

Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Ribgrass, *Plantago lanceolata (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).
Yards & edges, 8/11/21 (Lisa Gould).

Common Plantain, *Plantago major (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Indian-strawberry, *Potentilla indica [= *Duchesnea indica*] (in bloom + fruit). Lawns & edges,
throughout month (Lisa Gould).

Heal-all, *Prunella vulgaris (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Kudzu, *Pueraria montana* var. *lobata* (in bloom). Edge, 8/19/21 (Lisa Gould).

Willow Oak, *Quercus phellos* ((dropping green fruit). Suburban woods, 8/12/21 (Lisa Gould).

Maryland Meadow-beauty, *Rhexia mariana* (in bloom). Mostly Cedar Trail Connector, Muddy Creek
Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Common Elderberry, *Sambucus canadensis* (in fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, mostly by bridges,
8/7/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Common Cup-plant, *Silphium perfoliatum* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, 8/7/21 (Margaret
Cobb).

Horse-nettle/Ball-nettle, *Solanum carolinense* var. *carolinense* (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway,
edge of greenway trail, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).
(in bloom + fruit). Edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

American Black Nightshade, *Solanum ptychanthum* (in bloom). Bethabara edge, 8/5/21 (Lisa Gould).

Tall Goldenrod, *Solidago altissima* var. *altissima* (in bloom). Roadsides, 8/19/21 (Lisa Gould).

Licorice Goldenrod, *Solidago odora* (in bud). Edge, 8/28/21 (Lisa Gould).

Goldenrods, *Solidago* spp. (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).
Roadsides, throughout month (Lisa Gould).

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

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

Red Clover, *Trifolium pratense (in bloom). Muddy Creek Greenway, scattered sporadically, usually
mowed areas, greenway edge, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

White Clover, *Trifolium repens (in bloom). Lawns & edges, throughout month (Lisa Gould).
Muddy Creek Greenway, scattered sporadically, usually mowed areas, greenway edge,
throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

*[!4A] **Common Mullein, *Verbascum thapsus*** (in bloom + fruit). Roadsides, throughout month (Lisa
Gould).

Common Wingstem, *Verbesina alternifolia* (in bloom). Damp edges, 8/18/20 (Lisa Gould).
Muddy Creek Greenway, edge of greenway trail, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

Hybrid Wisteria, *Wisteria x formosa* (in fruit). Edge, 8/26/21 (Lisa Gould).

Cocklebur, *Xanthium strumarium* (green fruit). Muddy Creek Greenway, throughout month (Margaret Cobb).

GUILFORD COUNTY

Agrimony, *Agrimonia* sp. (in bloom). Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 8/8/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Water-hemlock, *Cicuta maculata* (in bloom). Palmetto Trail, 8/5/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Downy Rattlesnake Plantain, *Goodyera pubescens* (in bloom). Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 8/8/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Indian Tobacco, *Lobelia inflata* (in bloom). Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 8/8/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Fringed Loosestrife, *Lysimachia ciliata* (in bloom). Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 8/8/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Dotted Smartweed, *Persicaria punctata* (in bloom). Bog Garden, 8/10/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Self-heal/Heal-all, *Prunella vulgaris* (in bloom). Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 8/8/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Southern Mountain-mint, *Pycnanthemum pycnanthemoides* (in bloom). Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 8/8/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Bitter-bloom/Common Marsh-pink, *Sabatia angularis* (in bloom). Palmetto Trail, 8/5/21 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

RANDOLPH COUNTY

Wild Sweet Potato, *Ipomoea pandurata* (in bloom). Edges, 8/12/21 (Scott Kauffman).

Wood-nettle, *Laportea canadensis* (in bloom). 8/12/21 (Scott Kauffman).

Cardinal Flower, *Lobelia cardinalis* (in bloom). 8/12/21 (Scott Kauffman).

Green-headed Coneflower, *Rudbeckia laciniata* (in bloom). Woodland edge, 8/9/21 (Scott Kauffman).

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

Swamp Milkweed, *Asclepias incarnata* (in bloom). Roadside, 8/23/21 (Michael Gaskin).

Common Butterfly-weed, *Asclepias tuberosa* (in bloom). Meadow, Ruffin township, 8/29/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Virgin's Bower, *Clematis virginiana* (in bloom). Roadside, 8/23/21 (Michael Gaskin).

Green Ash, *Fraxinus pensylvanica* (foliage). Field/residential yard, Ruffin township, 8/29/21 (Margaret Cobb). NOTE: this outstanding specimen as yet unaffected by the Emerald Ash Borer.

Bitterweed, *Helenium amarum (in bloom). Roadsides + gravel parking area, Ruffin township, 8/29/21 (Margaret Cobb).

White Vervain, *Verbena urticifolia* (in bloom). Natural area of residential yard, Ruffin township, 8/29/21 (Margaret Cobb).

Southern Crownbeard, *Verbesina occidentalis* (in bloom). Ruffin township, edges, 8/29/21 (Margaret Cobb).

STOKES COUNTY

Appalachian Oak-leech, *Aureolaria laevigata* (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, 8/26/21 (Michael Gaskin).

Southern Harebell, *Campanula divaricata* (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, 8/26/21 (Michael Gaskin).

Pinesap, *Hypopitys monotropa* (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, 8/26/21 (Michael Gaskin).

Bitterweed with Goldenrod Soldier Beetle MC



Silky dogwood MC



Rose-pink AWF



Southern Mountain-mint AWF

