

## Triad Flora Report January–February 2023

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, send me an email ([lisal Gould@gmail.com](mailto: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 9<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Nomenclature** is from *Flora of the Southeastern United States*, 2022, 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/flora-request/>

**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 photos of Pennywort (*Obolaria virginica*) and Bloodroot (*Sanguinaria canadensis*) are by Ann Walter-Fromson; the photos of Kidney-leaved Buttercup (*Ranunculus abortivus*) and Common Groundsel (*Senecio vulgaris*) are by Lisa Gould.

### ALAMANCE COUNTY

**Red Maple**, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). Woods, 2/19/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!1] **Bradford Pear**, *Pyrus calleryana* (in bloom). Woods and edges, 2/19/23 (Lisa Gould).

### DAVIDSON COUNTY

**Round-lobed Hepatica**, *Hepatica americana* [= *Hepatica nobilis*] (in bloom). Daniel Boone Cave Park, 2/8/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

### FORSYTH COUNTY

**Red Maple**, *Acer rubrum* (in bloom). All over, 2/13/23 (Lisa Gould).  
(in fruit). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould).

\***Evergreen Barberry, *Berberis julianae*** (bloom beginning). Edge, 2/26/23 (Lisa Gould).

\***Hairy Bittercress, *Cardamine hirsuta*** (in bud). Edges, 1/18/23 (Lisa Gould).  
(bloom beginning). Yards, 1/28/23 (Lisa Gould).  
(in bloom & forming fruit). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).  
(in bloom and fruit). Edges, 2/19/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Hathaway Park, 2/21/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould).

**Eastern Redbud, *Cercis canadensis*** (bloom beginning). Edges, 2/27/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!4A] **Silverthorn, *Elaeagnus pungens*** (ripening fruit). Edge, 1/28/23 (Lisa Gould).

**Dimpled Trout Lily, *Erythronium umbilicatum* ssp. *umbilicatum*** (foliage emerged). Bethabara woodland, 1/26/23 (Janice Lancaster).  
(in bloom). Bethabara woodland, 2/15/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould, Ann Robertson).

**Round-lobed Hepatica, *Hepatica americana*** [= *Hepatica nobilis*] (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Ann Robertson).

**Wild Ginger, *Hexastylis* sp.** (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Ann Robertson). *Unclear if this was planted at this location.*

**Eastern Red Cedar, *Juniperus virginiana*** (male cones forming). Woods, 1/15/23 (Lisa Gould).

\***Henbit, *Lamium amplexicaule*** (in bloom). Hathaway Park, 2/21/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Lawns & edges, 2/26/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Purple Dead-nettle, *Lamium purpureum*** (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Hathaway Park, 2/21/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Lawns and edges, 2/26/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!1] **Fragrant Honeysuckle, *Lonicera fragrantissima*** (in bloom). Edges, 1/28/23 and throughout rest of January and February (Lisa Gould).  
Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Amur Honeysuckle, *Lonicera maackii*** (leafing out). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould).  
(leafing out & in bud). Edges, 2/26/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Leatherleaf Mahonia, *Mahonia bealei*** [= *Berberis bealei*] (bloom beginning). Edge, 1/18/23 (Lisa Gould). [with first honeybee, 1/28/23]  
(in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).  
(in bloom & forming fruit). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould).

\***Compact Grape-hyacinth, *Muscari botryoides*** (in bloom). Edges (naturalized), 2/26/23 (Lisa Gould).

\***Daffodils, *Narcissus* sp.** (in bloom). Naturalized in woods, 2/5/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!4A] **Star-of-Bethlehem**, *Ornithogalum umbellatum* (leaves emerged). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).

**Golden Ragwort**, *Packera aurea* [= *Senecio aureus*] (in bud). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).

\***Annual Bluegrass**, *Poa annua* (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould).

\***Snake Strawberry**, *Potentilla indica* (in bloom). Lawn, 2/28/2023 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!1] **Bradford Pear**, *Pyrus calleryana* (buds swelling). Roadsides, 1/26/23 (Lisa Gould).  
(in bloom). Woods and edges, 2/21/23 (Lisa Gould).

**Kidney-leaf Buttercup**, *Ranunculus abortivus* (in bloom). Lawn edge, 2/26/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!1] **Hedge-rose**, *Rosa multiflora* (leafing out). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).

**Bloodroot**, *Sanguinaria canadensis* (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould, Ann Robertson).  
Washington Park, 2/23/23 (Jeremy Reiskind).

\*[!3] **Common Groundsel**, *Senecio vulgaris* (in bloom & fruit). Yards & edges, throughout both months (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Common Chickweed**, *Stellaria media* (in bloom). Lawns and edges, 1/28/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould).

**Skunk Cabbage**, *Symplocarpus foetidus* (in bloom). Swamp, 1/2/23 (Matthew Perry).

\***Common Dandelion**, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom). Lawn, 1/18/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Hathaway Park, 2/21/23 (Lisa Gould).  
(in bloom & fruit). Lawns and edges, throughout February (Lisa Gould).

**Cranefly Orchid**, *Tipularia discolor* (foliage). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Ann Robertson).

\***White Clover**, *Trifolium repens* (in bloom). Lawn, 2/27/23 (Lisa Gould).

**Little Sweet Betsy**, *Trillium cuneatum* (in bloom). Reynolda Estate, 2/22/23 (Lisa Gould, Ann Robertson).

\*[!2] **Ivyleaf Speedwell**, *Veronica hederifolia* (in bloom). Black Walnut Bottoms, Bethania, 2/11/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Lawns & edges, 2/18/23 (Lisa Gould).  
Hathaway Park, 2/21/23 (Lisa Gould).

\***Persian/Bird's-eye Speedwell**, *Veronica persica* (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 2/26/23 (Lisa Gould).

\*[!2] **Perwinkle**, *Vinca minor* (in bloom). Edge, 2/5/23 Lisa Gould).

**Common Blue Violet, *Viola sororia*** (in bloom). Yards, 2/19/23 (Lisa Gould). "Confederate" form in bloom as well by 2/26/23.

## GUILFORD COUNTY

**Red Maple, *Acer rubrum*** (in bloom). Laurel Bluff Trail, 2/10/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).  
Cascades Preserve, 2/14/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).  
Headwaters Trail, MTS Trail Section, 2/14/13 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Tag Alder, *Alnus serrulata*** (in bloom). Price Park, 2/13/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

\***Hairy Bittercress, *Cardamine hirsuta*** (in bloom). Yards, 2/19/23 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Green-and-gold, *Chrysongonum virginianum*** (in bloom). Iron Ore Belt Access, Haw River State Park, 2/24/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Common Spring-beauty, *Claytonia virginica*** (in bloom). Iron Ore Belt Access, Haw River State Park, 2/24/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).  
Blue Heron Trail, Haw River State Park, 2/28/23 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Hazelnut, *Corylus* sp.** (in bloom), Headwaters Trail, MTS Trail Section, 2/14/13 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Southern Running Cedar, *Diphasiastrum digitatum*** (with strobili). Headwaters Trail, MTS Trail Section, 2/14/13 (John Neal & Tony Horney).  
Bill Craft Trail, Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 2/16/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

\*[!2] **Lesser Celandine/Fig Buttercup, *Ficaria verna*** [= *Ranunculus ficaria*]. Bog Garden, 2/26/23 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Round-lobed Hepatica, *Hepatica americana*** [= *Hepatica nobilis*] (in bloom). Cascades Preserve, 2/8/23 (Annette Liggett-Lineberger).  
(in bud & bloom). Laurel Bluff Trail, 2/10/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).  
(in bloom). Cascades Preserve, 2/14/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Tiny Bluets, *Houstonia pusilla*** (in bloom). Lindley Elementary School grounds, 2/5/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Shining Clubmoss, *Huperzia lucidula*** (foliage). Bill Craft Trail, Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 2/16/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Northern Spicebush, *Lindera benzoin*** (in bud). Laurel Bluff Trail, 2/10/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).  
(in bloom). Iron Ore Belt Access, Haw River State Park, 2/24/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Partridgeberry, *Mitchella repens*** (in fruit). Cascades Preserve, 2/14/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Pennywort, *Obolaria virginica*** (in bloom). Iron Ore Belt Access, Haw River State Park, 2/24/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

Blue Heron Trail, Haw River State Park, 2/28/23 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Bloodroot, *Sanguinaria canadensis*** (in bloom). Iron Ore Belt Access, Haw River State Park, 2/24/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

Richardson-Taylor Preserve, 2/27/23 (Annette Liggett-Lineberger).

Blue Heron Trail, Haw River State Park, 2/28/23 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**Rue-anemone, *Thalictrum thalictroides*** (in bloom). Blue Heron Trail, Haw River State Park, 2/28/23 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

**\*Persian/Bird's-eye Speedwell, *Veronica persica*** (in bloom). Lawns, 2/19/23 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

## RANDOLPH COUNTY

**Dimpled Trout Lily, *Erythronium umbilicatum* ssp. *umbilicatum*** (in bloom). Faith Rock Preserve, 2/19/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

**Partridgeberry, *Mitchella repens*** (in fruit). Faith Rock Preserve, 2/19/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

## ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

**Round-lobed Hepatica, *Hepatica americana*** [= *Hepatica nobilis*] (in bloom). Knight-Brown Preserve, 1/16/23 (John Neal & Tony Horney).

Knight-Brown Preserve, 1/28/23 (Cheryl Garrity).

Knight-Brown Preserve, 2/19/23 (Ann Walter-Fromson)

**Bloodroot, *Sanguinaria canadensis*** (in bloom). Knight-Brown Preserve, 1/28/23 (Cheryl Garrity).

**Rue-anemone, *Thalictrum thalictroides*** (in bloom). Knight-Brown Preserve, 2/28/23 (Cheryl Garrity).

**Wild Blue Violet, *Viola sororia*** (in bloom). Lawn, 1/27/23 (Cheryl Garrity).

## STOKES COUNTY

**Common Spring-beauty, *Claytonia virginica*** (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, 2/7/23 (Cheryl Garrity).

**Trailing Arbutus, *Epigaea repens*** (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, 2/4/23 (Matthew Perry).

Hanging Rock State Park, 2/14/23 (Cheryl Garrity).

**Dimpled Trout Lily, *Erythronium umbilicatum* ssp. *umbilicatum*** (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, 2/4/23 (Matthew Perry).

Hanging Rock State Park, 2/7/23 to 2/25/23 (Cheryl Garrity).

**Wild Ginger, *Hexastylis* sp.** (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, 2/7/23 (Cheryl Garrity).

**Northern Spicebush, *Lindera benzoin*** (in bloom). Hanging Rock State Park, 2/7/23 (Cheryl Garrity).