

Species Frequently Found in Native Plant Communities

Southern Mesic Prairie (UPs23)

Types in Class: Mesic Prairie (Southern) (UPs23a)

Scientific Name	Common Name	Rare Status
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Yarrow	
<i>Allium stellatum</i>	Prairie wild onion	
<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Leadplant	
<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>	Big bluestem	
<i>Anemone canadensis</i>	Canada anemone	
<i>Anemone cylindrica</i>	Long-headed thimbleweed	
<i>Apocynum sibiricum</i>	Clasping dogbane	
<i>Artemisia ludoviciana</i> var. <i>ludoviciana</i>	White sage	
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Common milkweed	
<i>Aster ericoides</i>	Heath aster	
<i>Aster laevis</i>	Smooth blue aster	
<i>Aster oolentangiensis</i>	Skyblue aster	
<i>Aster sericeus</i>	Silky aster	
<i>Astragalus crassicaulus</i> var. <i>crassicaulus</i>	Ground plum	
<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>	Side-oats grama	
<i>Calylophus serrulatus</i>	Toothed evening primrose	
<i>Cirsium flodmanii</i>	Flodman's thistle	
<i>Comandra umbellata</i> var. <i>umbellata</i>	Bastard toadflax	
<i>Coreopsis palmata</i>	Bird's foot coreopsis	
<i>Dalea candida</i>	White prairie clover	Special Concern
<i>Dalea purpurea</i> var. <i>purpurea</i>	Purple prairie clover	
<i>Desmodium canadense</i>	Canada tick trefoil	
<i>Echinacea pallida</i> var. <i>angustifolia</i>	Narrow-leaved purple coneflower	
<i>Elymus trachycaulus</i>	Slender wheatgrass	
<i>Erigeron strigosus</i>	Daisy fleabane	
<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>	Rattlesnake master	Special Concern
<i>Fragaria virginiana</i>	Common strawberry	
<i>Galium boreale</i>	Northern bedstraw	
<i>Helianthus maximiliani</i>	Maximilian's sunflower	
<i>Helianthus pauciflorus</i>	Stiff sunflower	
<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i> var. <i>scabra</i>	Ox-eye	
<i>Heuchera richardsonii</i>	Alumroot	
<i>Liatris aspera</i>	Rough blazing star	
<i>Liatris ligulistylis</i>	Northern plains blazing star	
<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i>	Great blazing star	
<i>Lilium philadelphicum</i> var. <i>andinum</i>	Wood lily	
<i>Lithospermum canescens</i>	Hoary puccoon	
<i>Lobelia spicata</i>	Pale-spiked lobelia	
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Wild bergamot	
<i>Panicum leibergii</i>	Leiberg's panic grass	
<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	Switchgrass	
<i>Pedicularis canadensis</i>	Wood betony	

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<i>Pediomelum argophyllum</i>	Silverleaf scurfpea
<i>Pediomelum esculentum</i>	Prairie turnip
<i>Phlox pilosa</i> var. <i>fulgida</i>	Prairie phlox
<i>Physalis virginiana</i>	Virginia ground cherry
<i>Potentilla arguta</i>	Tall cinquefoil
<i>Prenanthes racemosa</i>	Smooth rattlesnakeroot
<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>	Virginia mountain mint
<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	Gray-headed coneflower
<i>Rosa arkansana</i>	Prairie rose
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> var. <i>scoparium</i>	Little bluestem
<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Canada goldenrod
<i>Solidago missouriensis</i>	Missouri goldenrod
<i>Solidago nemoralis</i>	Gray goldenrod
<i>Solidago rigida</i>	Stiff goldenrod
<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>	Indian grass
<i>Spartina pectinata</i>	Prairie cordgrass
<i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i>	Prairie dropseed
<i>Stipa spartea</i>	Porcupine grass
<i>Symphoricarpos occidentalis</i>	Wolfberry
<i>Thalictrum dasycarpum</i>	Tall meadow-rue
<i>Vicia americana</i>	American vetch
<i>Viola palmata</i> var. <i>pedatifida</i>	Bearded birdfoot violet
<i>Zigadenus elegans</i>	White camass
<i>Zizia aptera</i>	Heart-leaved alexanders

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