













Guide to Spring Wildflowers

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Early Spring (March – Early April)







Species						
	Skunk Cabbage <i>Symplocarpus foetidus</i>	Spring Beauty <i>Claytonia virginica</i>	Round-lobed Hepatica <i>Hepatica nobilis</i> var. <i>obtusata</i>	Cut-leaved Toothwort <i>Cardamine concatenata</i>	Bloodroot <i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i>	Yellow Trout Lily <i>Erythronium americanum</i>
Habitat	Wet woods, ravine bottoms	Well drained to moist woodlands, base of trees	Well-drained, upland woodlands	Moist woods, floodplains	Rich wooded slopes	Rich woods, banks of streams
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	White Trout Lily <i>Erythronium albidum</i>	Purple Cress <i>Cardamine douglassii</i>	Marsh Marigold <i>Caltha palustris</i>	Early Meadow Rue <i>Thalictrum dioicum</i>	Dutchman's Breeches <i>Dicentra cucullaria</i>	Swamp Buttercup <i>Ranunculus hispidus</i>
Habitat	Moist to woodlands and gentle slopes in wooded areas	Rich wooded slopes	Wetlands, including vernal pools, swamps, seeps, and ditches	Shady, rich mesic woodlands, wooded clay slopes, and ravines	Moist woodlands	Part shade; moist woods, seeps, along streams








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Middle Spring (Late April – Early May)

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	Pennsylvania Sedge <i>Carex pensylvanica</i>	Common Blue Violet <i>Viola sororia</i>	Common Yellow Violet <i>Viola pubescens ericopa</i>	Wild Sarsparilla <i>Aralia nudicaulis</i>	Sessile-leaf Bellwort <i>Uvularia sessilifolia</i>	Wood Anemone <i>Anemone quinquefolia</i>
Habitat	Sandy loam areas of savannas or woodlands with abundant organic matter	Open woodlands and lawns	Moist woodlands, woodland borders and thickets	Upland rich & sandy woods	Upland woods	Well drained woodlands













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	Wild Blue Phlox <i>Phlox divaricata</i>	Blue Cohosh <i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i>	Great White Trillium <i>Trillium grandiflorum</i>	Wild Geranium <i>Geranium maculatum</i>	Wild Ginger <i>Asarum canadense</i>	May Apple <i>Podophyllum peltatum</i>	Jack-in-the Pulpit <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i>
Habitat	Moist to slightly dry woodlands and slopes	Rich woodlands and wooded slopes of large ravines	Rich woodlands and shaded slopes	Upland & wet woodlands & floodplain edges	Moist woodlands or floodplains	Upland woods	Wet to upland woods & floodplains

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Late Spring (Mid May to Late May)

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Habitat	False Solomon's Seal <i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> Dry to moist woodlands	Solomon's Seal <i>Polygonatum commutatum</i> Moist to dry woodlands and woodland borders	Wild Columbine <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> Open shady woodlands or rocky savannas	Sweet Cicely <i>Osmorhiza claytonii</i> Moist woods & slopes	Virginia Waterleaf <i>Hydrophyllum virginianum</i> Wooded slopes & floodplains	Tall Meadow Rue <i>Thalictrum dasycarpum</i> Savannas and thickets, openings in wooded areas, ravines, floodplain woodlands, swamps and ditches
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Habitat	Golden Ragwort <i>Packera aurea</i> Rich wet woodlands	Green Dragon <i>Arisaema dracontium</i> Moist woodlands, shady seeps, floodplain forests and vernal pools	Blue Flag Iris <i>Iris versicolor</i> Floodplains and edges of ponds	Wild Lupine <i>Lupinus perennis</i> Sand prairies, savannas, and sand barrens	Dwarf Dandelion <i>Krigia virginica</i> Dry sand prairies, savannas, dunes, and fields	Hoary Puccoon <i>Lithospermum canescens</i> Sand prairies and upland savannas

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