

Oxeye Prairie Native Flora				
Common Name	Species Name	Family	Blooms	Comments
Golden alexanders	<i>Zizia aurea</i>	Apiaceae	May	1st to bloom, seeds mature in Aug
(Sm. yellow?) Buttercup	<i>Ranunculus (sceleratus?)</i>	Ranunculaceae	May/June	early blooming, in wetland
Ragwort	<i>Senecio pauperculus</i>	Asteraceae	May	yellow
Canada anemone	<i>Anemone canadensis</i>	Ranunculaceae	June	white
Foxglove beardtounge	<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	Scrophulariaceae	June	white
Ohio spiderwort	<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>	Commelinaceae	June	taller than <i>T. bracteata</i>
Butterfly milkweed	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Asclepiadaceae	June	orange
Pale purple coneflower	<i>Echinacea pallida</i>	Asteraceae	June	thinner, drooping petals
Thimbleweed	<i>Anemone cylindrica</i>	Ranunculaceae	June	unique flowerhead
Fox sedge	<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i>	Cyperaceae	June	seed head-"foxtail" appearance
River bulrush	<i>Scirpus fluviatilis</i>	Cyperaceae	June	planted by Lori G. in wetland
Prairie cinquefoil	<i>Potentilla arguta</i>	Rosaceae	June	pale yellow
Soft stem bulrush	<i>Scirpus validus</i>	Cyperaceae	June	planted by Lori G. in wetland
Wild quinine (feverfew)	<i>Parthenium integrifolium</i>	Asteraceae	June	white
Mountain mint	<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>	Lamiaceae	July	fragrant
Compass plant	<i>Silphium laciniatum</i>	Asteraceae	July	leaves arrange in N-S orientation
Common milkweed	<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Asclepiadaceae	July	flowers edible
Showy tick trefoil	<i>Desmodium canadense</i>	Fabaceae	July	purple, seeds mature in Aug
Great St. John's wort	<i>Hypericum ascyron</i>	Clusiaceae	July	yellow
Gray-headed coneflower	<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	Asteraceae	July	yellow, seeds mature in Sept
Bee balm (bergamot)	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Lamiaceae	July	also called horsemint
Oxeye	<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i>	Asteraceae	July	yellow
Purple coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Asteraceae	July	easily identifiable
Rattlesnake master	<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>	Apiaceae	July	yucca-like leaves
Swamp milkweed	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Asclepiadaceae	July	redder than butterfly milkweed
Cup plant	<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i>	Asteraceae	July	perfoliate leaves form "cup"
Black-eyed susan	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Asteraceae	July	yellow
Big bluestem	<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>	Poaceae	July	6-8' in Aug and very abundant
Little bluestem	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>	Poaceae	Aug	not very abundant, patch in Section B
Rosinweed	<i>Silphium integrifolium</i>	Asteraceae	Aug	boxy looking before flowering
Partridge pea	<i>Chamaecrista fasciculata</i>	Fabaceae	Aug	Seeds mature in late Sept
Prairie blazingstar	<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i>	Asteraceae	Aug	not abundant
Evening primrose	<i>Oenothera biennis</i>	Onagraceae	Aug	distinctive 4 chambered dried seed head
Stiff goldenrod	<i>Solidago rigida</i>	Asteraceae	Aug	seeds mature in Oct.
Roundheaded bushclover	<i>Lespedeza capitata</i>	Fabaceae	Aug	round heads, more common in dry prairies
Side-oats grama	<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>	Poaceae	Aug	"oats" on one side of stalk, mature in Oct.
Canada wild rye	<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	Poaceae	Aug	squirrel tail appearance, mature in Oct.
Canada goldenrod	<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Asteraceae	Aug	fairly abundant, esp. on edge of prairie
Cream gentian	<i>Gentiana alba</i>	Gentianaceae	Aug	leaves present long before bloom
Winged loosestrife	<i>Lythrum alatum</i>	Lythraceae	Aug	no to be confused with Purple Loosestrife
Indian grass	<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>	Poaceae	Sept	1 plume, seeds mature in Oct.