

# SPRING WILDFLOWERS OF THE MID-ATLANTIC REGION

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Species List as Presented in the Video  
Scientific Names and Family Placement according to the taxonomy of the *Flora of Virginia*

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family Placements
Harbinger-of-spring	<i>Erigenia bulbosa</i>	Carrot
Skunk cabbage	<i>Symplocarpus foetidus</i>	Arum
Hepatica, Round-lobed	<i>Anemone americana (Hepatica americana)</i>	Buttercup
Bloodroot	<i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i>	Poppy
Coltsfoot*	<i>Tussilago farfara</i>	Composite
Dandelion*	<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	Composite
Golden ragwort	<i>Packera aurea (Senecio aureus)</i>	Composite
Cut-leaf toothwort	<i>Cardamine concalenata (Dentaria laciniata)</i>	Mustard
Dutchman's breeches	<i>Dicentra cucullaria</i>	Fumitory
Squirrel's corn	<i>Dicentra canadensis</i>	Fumitory
Rue anemone	<i>Thalictrum thalictroides (Anemonella thalictroides)</i>	Buttercup
Spring beauty	<i>Claytonia virginica</i>	Montia (Portulaca)
Yellow troutlily	<i>Erythronium americanum</i>	Lily
White troutlily	<i>Erythronium albidum</i>	Lily
Sessile trillium	<i>Trillium sessile</i>	Trillium (Lily)
Large-flowered trillium	<i>Trillium grandiflorum</i>	Trillium (Lily)
Ill-scented trillium	<i>Trillium erectum</i>	Trillium (Lily)
Painted trillium	<i>Trillium undulatum</i>	Trillium (Lily)
Purple dead-nettle*	<i>Lamium purpureum</i>	Mint
Henbit*	<i>Lamium amplexicaule</i>	Mint
Ground ivy*	<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>	Mint
Bugleweed*	<i>Ajuga reptans</i>	Mint
Spicebush	<i>Lindera benzoin</i>	Laurel
Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	Rose
Common blue violet	<i>Viola sororia (Viola papilionacea)</i>	Violet
Bird's-foot violet	<i>Viola pedata</i>	Violet
Smooth yellow violet	<i>Viola pensylvanica</i>	Violet
Sweet white violet	<i>Viola blanda</i>	Violet
Canada violet	<i>Viola canadensis</i>	Violet
Twinleaf	<i>Jeffersonia diphylla</i>	Barberry
Bluets	<i>Houstonia caerulea</i>	Madder
Ramps	<i>Allium tricoccum</i>	Amarylidaceae (Lily)
Virginia bluebells	<i>Mertensia virginica</i>	Borage
Wild ginger	<i>Asarum canadense</i>	Birthwort
Shooting star	<i>Primula media (Dodecatheon meadia)</i>	Primrose
Sweet cicely species	<i>Osmorhiza longistylis, Osmoriza claytoni</i>	Carrot
Blue cohosh	<i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i>	Barberry

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Pawpaw	<i>Asimina triloba</i>	Apple Custard
Smooth Solomon's seal	<i>Polygonatum biflorum</i>	Mayflower (Lily)
False Solomon's seal	<i>Maianthemum racemosum (Smilacina racemosa)</i>	Mayflower (Lily)
Star-of-Bethlehem*	<i>Onnithogalum umbellatum</i>	Hyacinth (Lily)
Perfoliated bellwort	<i>Uvularia perfoliata</i>	Meadow Saffron (Lily)
Wild columbine	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Buttercup
Virginia waterleaf	<i>Hydrophyllum virginianum</i>	Borage (Waterleaf)
Broad-leaved waterleaf	<i>Hydrophyllum canadensis</i>	Borage (Waterleaf)
Jack-In-the-pulpit	<i>Arisaema triphyllum</i>	Arum
Common chickweed*	<i>Stellaria media</i>	Pink
Star chickweed	<i>Stellaria pubera</i>	Pink
Wild geranium	<i>Geranium maculatum</i>	Geranium
Redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Pea
Flowering dogwood	<i>Cornus florida</i>	Dogwood
Golden Alexander	<i>Zizia aurea</i>	Carrot
Foam flower	<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i>	Saxifage
Wild blue phlox	<i>Phlox divaricata</i>	Phlox
Dwarf larkspur	<i>Delphinium tricornis B</i>	Buttercup
Mayapple	<i>Podophyllum peltatum</i>	Barberry
Garlic mustard*	<i>Alliaria officinalis M</i>	Mustard
Black mustard*	<i>Brassica nigra</i>	Mustard
Yellow rocket*	<i>Barbaria vulgaris M</i>	Mustard
Creeping buttercup*	<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	Buttercup
Bulbous buttercup*	<i>Ranunculouos.bulbosa</i>	Buttercup
Cursed buttercup	<i>R. sceleratus</i>	Buttercup
Lesser celandine*	<i>Ficaria verna (Ranunculus ficaria)</i>	Buttercup
Indian strawberry*	<i>Potentilla indica (Duchexnea indica)</i>	Rose
Cinquefoil spp.	<i>Potentilla spp.</i>	Rose
Grape hyacinth*	<i>Muscari neglectum (Muscari racemosum ) H</i>	Hyacinth (Lily)
Lily-of-the-valley*	<i>Convallaria majalis R</i>	Ruscus (Lily)
Wild stonecrop	<i>Sedum ternatum S</i>	Stonecrop
Cleavers	<i>Galium aparine</i>	Madder
Pink lady's slipper	<i>Cypripedium acaule O</i>	Orchid
Yellow lady's slipper	<i>Cypripedium calceolus</i>	Orchid
Showy orchis	<i>Galearis spectabilis (Orchis spectabilis)</i>	Orchid
Squawroot	<i>Conopholis americana</i>	Broom-rape
One-flower cancerroot	<i>Orobanche uniflora B</i>	Broom-rape

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Plantain-leaved pussytoes	<i>Antennaria plantaginifolia</i> C	Composite
Rattlesnake-weed	<i>Hieracium venosum</i>	Composite
Dwarf iris	<i>Iris cristata</i>	Iris
Vernal iris	<i>Iris verna</i>	Iris
Yellow iris*	<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Iris
Blue flag	<i>Iris versicolor</i>	Iris
Pinxter flower	<i>Rhododendron periclymenoides</i> ( <i>R. nudiflorum</i> )	Heath
Rosy azalea	<i>Rhododendron prinophyllum</i> ( <i>R. roseum</i> )	Heath
Rosebay	<i>Rhododendron maximum</i>	Heath
Mountain laurel	<i>Kalmia latifolia</i>	Heath
Trailing arbutus	<i>Epigaea repens</i>	Heath
Partridgeberry	<i>Mitchella repens</i>	Heath
Early saxifrage	<i>Saxifraga virginiana</i>	Saxifraga
Poison ivy	<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i> ( <i>Rhus radicans</i> ) Ca	Cashew
Virginia creeper	<i>Parthenocissis quinquefolia</i>	Grape
Stinging nettle*	<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Nettle
Wood nettle	<i>Laportea canadensis</i>	Nettle
Spotted jewelweed	<i>Impatiens capensis</i>	Balsam
Pale jewelweed	<i>Impatiens pallida</i>	Balsam
Commona (American) pla	<i>in Plantago rugelii</i>	Plantain
Golden ragwort	<i>Senecio aureus</i>	Composite
Mayapple	<i>Podophyllum peltatum</i>	Barberry
Yellow lady's slipper	<i>Cyperidium calceolus</i>	Orchid
Showy orchis	<i>Galearis spectabilis</i> ( <i>Orchis spectabilis</i> )	Orchid
Thistle*	<i>Cirsium</i> spp.	Composite
Large-Flowered Trillium ( <i>Trillium grandiflorum</i> ) and Virginia Bluebells ( <i>Mertensia virginiana</i> )		

\* Indicates species that are introduced and naturalized in our area. Many of these species were brought from Europe or other areas of the world with good intentions to be used as medicinal or edible plants. Unfortunately, many now are spreading out of control and out-competing and crowding out native species. These species still grow wild and are part of our spring wildflower scene and thus were included in this video.