

FERNS

- Brittlefern
- Field Horsetail
- Smooth Horsetail

MOSS

- Little Club-moss

SUCCULENTS

- Ball Cactus
- Prickly Pear Cactus

LICHENS

- Lichen



Prickly Pear Cactus

HELPFUL HINTS

1. Bring your eye to the plant, never bring the plant to your eye. Picking wildflowers is prohibited on public lands, and for good reason. Millions visit these lands and if everyone took home a bouquet, many species would disappear from the park forever.
2. A field guide to plants will be helpful, as this is merely a checklist.
3. Take along a camera to photograph species that you can't easily ID in the field.



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COLORADO PARKS & WILDLIFE

Discovering Plants



AT ELEVEN MILE STATE PARK



Wallflower

This list is intended to represent the most commonly found plants at Eleven Mile and Spinney Mountain State Parks. Let us know if you find species not listed here.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Annual – A plant that lives one year

Biennial – A plant that lives two years, usually flowering and producing fruit in the 2nd year

Fern – an ancient, vascular plant that reproduces by spores

Flower – the reproductive structure of many plants

Forb – A broad-leaved, non-woody plant that dies back to the ground after each growing season

Grass – an annual or perennial herb with a round, hollow stem

Herb – a narrow-leaved, non-woody plant.

Lichen – a composite of an alga and a fungus

Moss – a non-vascular plant; able to dry up and then begin photosynthesis again immediately upon getting water

Perennial – A plant that lives at least three years, usually flowering and producing fruit each year

Shrub – A perennial broad-leaved, woody plant, typically multi-stemmed and less than 15 feet tall

Succulent – a plant with fleshy, water-storing stems or leaves

Tree – a perennial woody plant with a single stem (trunk), generally at least 15 feet tall

NATIVE ANNUAL & BIENNIAL FORBS

- American Chamaerhodos
- Bigelow Aster
- Blue Penstemon
- Fendler's False Arabis
- Field Sagewort
- Glasswort
- Machaeranthera
- Mapleleaf Goosefoot
- Meadow Thistle
- Miner's Candle
- Narrowleaf Goosefoot
- Pinnate Tansymustard
- Pygmyflower Rockjasmine
- Rocky Mountain Beeplant
- Roundfruit Yellowcress
- Seablight
- Spreading Fleabane (daisy)
- Whitlowwort
- Winged Buckwheat
- Yellow Sweetclover



Mapleleaf Goosefoot



Spreading Fleabane

INTRODUCED ANNUAL & BIENNIAL FORBS

- Burning-bush
- Densflower Pepperweed
- Early Stickseed
- Field Pennycress
- Flixweed Tansymustard
- Horseweed
- Ironweed
- Lady's Thumb Smartweed
- Mexican Tea
- Russian Thistle
- Thyme-leaved Spurge
- Wormseed



Horseweed

NATIVE PERENNIAL FORBS

- Alkali Aster
- Arrowgrass
- Beard-tongue
- Bessey's Stickseed
- Bigelow bottle Gentian
- Bladderpod
- Blue Flax
- Bodin Milkvetch
- Branched Blue-eyed Grass
- Broom groundsel
- Calcareous Cryptantha
- Ciliate Willowherb
- Colorado Rubberweed
- Common Mare's tail
- Creeping Nailwort
- Desert Sandwort
- Diamond Milkvetch
- Drummond Campion
- Dwarf Columbine
- Easter daisy
- Englemann Fleabane
- False Dandelion
- Fendler's Ragwort
- Fieldmint
- Fringed Sage
- Golden Smoke
- Groundsel
- Gumweed Aster
- Hairy Golden Aster
- Harebell
- Hooded Ladies' Tresses
- Horse Cinquefoil
- Kitten-tail
- Lanceleaf Bluebells
- Large-leaved Avens
- Laxmann's Milkvetch
- Little Gentian



Blue Flax

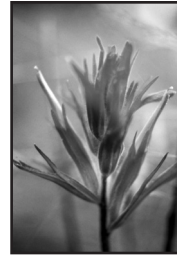


Colorado Rubberweed



Lanceleaf Bluebells

- Littleflower Alumroot
- Marsh Felwort
- Meadow hawksbeard
- Meadow Lousewort
- Microseris
- Milkvetch (locoweed)
- Moss Campion
- Mount Elbert Goldenrod
- Mountain Strawberry
- Nodding Onion
- Oreocarya
- Pale Evening Primrose
- Parry Bellflower
- Pasqueflower
- Pasture Sage
- Plains Indian Paintbrush
- Platte River Milkvetch
- Pretty Draba
- Prickly Gilia
- Pussytoes
- Redwool Plantain
- Richardson's Geranium
- Rocky Mountain Iris
- Scarlet Gilia
- Sea Milkwort
- Sheep Cinquefoil
- Shore Buttercup
- Showy Fleabane
- Silky Locoweed
- Silver Thistle
- Silverweed
- Siskiyou Aster
- Skeletonweed
- Slenderfoot Willowherb
- Small-leaf Geranium
- Spotted Saxifrage
- Spurge
- Sunbright



Plains Indian Paintbrush



Rocky Mountain Iris



Sunbright

- Tansy Aster
- Wallflower
- Western Yarrow
- Wild Buckwheat
- Wild Tarragon
- Wildspikenard False Solomon's Seal



Western Yarrow

INTRODUCED PERENNIAL FORBS

- Butter-and-eggs
- Canada Thistle
- Common Dandelion
- Common Plantain
- Perennial Sow-thistle
- Swamp Sow-thistle



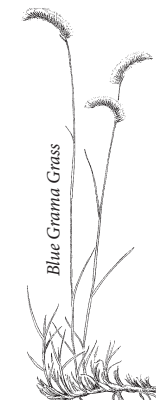
False Buffalograss

NATIVE ANNUAL GRASSES

- Annual Muhly
- False Buffalograss

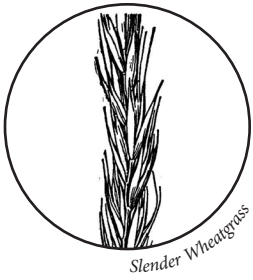
NATIVE PERENNIAL GRASSES

- Agassiz Bluegrass
- Alkali Cordgrass
- Alkali Sacaton
- Arizona Fescue
- Baltic Rush
- Beaked Sedge
- Blackcreper Sedge
- Blue Grama Grass
- Bottlebrush Squirrel Tail
- Elk Sedge
- Foxtail Sedge
- Junegrass
- Mat Muhly
- Montana Wheatgrass
- Mountain Muhly
- Mutton Bluegrass
- Needle-and-thread Grass
- Northern Reedgrass
- Parry's Oatgrass
- Pine Dropseed



Blue Grama Grass

- Plains Bluegrass
- Purple Reedgrass
- Saltgrass
- Scribner Needlegrass
- Slender Wheatgrass
- Slimstem Muhly
- Sun Sedge
- Tufted Hairgrass
- Western Wheatgrass



Slender Wheatgrass

NATIVE SUBSHRUBS

- Snakeweed

NATIVE SHRUBS

- American Red Raspberry
- Birchleaf Mountain Mahogany
- Common Juniper
- Douglas Rabbitbrush
- Gooseberry Currant
- Horsebrush
- Kinnickinnick
- Rubber Rabbitbrush
- Sand Bar Willow
- Shrubby Cinquefoil
- Spanish Bayonet
- Trumpet Gooseberry
- Viscid Rabbitbrush
- Wax Currant
- Winterfat
- Wood's Rose



American Red Raspberry

NATIVE TREES

- Douglas-fir
- Engelmann Spruce
- Limber Pine
- Ponderosa Pine
- Quaking Aspen



Quaking Aspen

INTRODUCED TREES

- Willow