

**A VASCULAR PLANT Checklist
for Kerr Lake State Recreation Area
203 taxa**

North Carolina has a diverse vascular flora.

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Notes

**VASCULAR PLANT
CHECKLIST
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Bloom Time:

Spring - March to May
Summer - June to August
Fall - September to November
Winter - December to February

Web Links

Vascular Plants of North Carolina
<https://auth1.dpr.ncparks.gov/flora/index.php>

Resources

Flora of the Southern and Mid-Atlantic States by Alan S. Weakley - <https://ncbg.unc.edu/research/unc-herbarium/floras/>

Wild North Carolina: Discovering the Wonders of Our State's Natural Communities by David Blevins and Michael Schafale - <https://uncpress.org/book/9780807834671/wild-north-carolina/>

Wildflowers and Plant Communities of the Southern Appalachian Mountains and Piedmont: A Naturalist's Guide to the Carolinas, Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia by Timothy Spira - <https://uncpress.org/book/9780807871720/wildflowers-and-plant-communities-of-the-southern-appalachian-mountains-and-piedmont/>

A Field Guide to Wildflowers of the Sandhills Region: North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia by Bruce Sorrie - <https://uncpress.org/book/9780807871867/a-field-guide-to-wildflowers-of-the-sandhills-region/>

On-line database of the flora of the Southeastern States - <http://www.herbarium.unc.edu/seflora/querypage.htm>



<https://www.ncparks.gov/junior-rangers>

203 VASCULAR PLANT taxa**ACANTHACEAE: [1]**

- Carolina Petunia - x - -
Ruellia caroliniensis

ADOXACEAE: [1]

- Smooth Black-haw x - - -
Viburnum prunifolium

AGAVACEAE: [1]

- Common Yucca - - - -
Yucca filamentosa

ALISMATACEAE: [1]

- Broadleaf Arrowhead - x - -
Sagittaria latifolia

ANACARDIACEAE: [3]

- Winged Sumac - - x -
Rhus copallina
 — Smooth Sumac - x - -
Rhus glabra
 — Eastern Poison Ivy - - - -
Toxicodendron radicans var. *radicans*

ANNONACEAE: [1]

- Pawpaw - - - -
Asimina triloba

APIACEAE: [2]

- Wild Carrot x x - -
Daucus carota
 — Prostrate Eryngo - - - -
Eryngium prostratum

APOCYNACEAE: [2]

- Butterfly Milkweed - x - -
Asclepias tuberosa var. *tuberosa*
 — Periwinkle x - - -
Vinca minor

AQUIFOLIACEAE: [2]

- Possumhaw , Deciduous Holly x - - -
Ilex decidua
 — American Holly - - - -
Ilex opaca

ARACEAE: [1]

- Jack-in-the-pulpit - - - -
Arisaema triphyllum

ARALIACEAE: [2]

- Hercules Club - - - -
Aralia spinosa

ARALIACEAE: [2]

- English Ivy - - - -
Hedera helix

ARISTOLOCHIACEAE: [1]

- Virginia Heartleaf - - - -
Hexastylis virginica

ASPLENIACEAE: [1]

- Ebony Spleenwort - - - -
Asplenium platyneuron

ASTERACEAE: [23]

- Common Yarrow x x x -
Achillea millefolium
 — Plantain-leaf Pussytoes x - - -
Antennaria plantaginifolia
 — White Heath Aster - - x -
Aster pilosus
 — Green-and-gold x - - -
Chrysogonum virginianum
 — Bull Thistle - x - -
Cirsium vulgare
 — Mistflower, Ageratum - - x -
Conoclinium coelestinum
 — Purple Coneflower - x - -
Echinacea purpurea
 — Carolina Elephant-foot - x x -
Elephantopus carolinianus
 — White-top Fleabane x - - -
Erigeron annuus
 — Five-leaf Sneezeweed - - - -
Helenium amarum
 — Purple-head Sneezeweed - x - -
Helenium flexuosum
 — Oxeye Daisy - - - -
Leucanthemum vulgare
 — Grass-leaf Gayfeather - - x -
Liatris pilosa
 — Shrubby Camphor-weed - x - -
Pluchea odorata
 — Carolina False-dandelion - x - -
Pyrrhopappus carolinianus
 — Black-eyed Susan - x - -
Rudbeckia hirta
 — Cut-leaved Coneflower - x - -
Rudbeckia laciniata

ASTERACEAE: [23]

- Toothed White-top Aster - x - -
Sericocarpus asteroides
 — Kidneyleaf Rosinweed - x x -
Silphium compositum
 — Field Goldenrod - x - -
Solidago nemoralis
 — Common Dandelion x x - x
Taraxacum officinale
 — Yellow Crownbeard - - - -
Verbesina occidentalis
 — Rough Cockle-bur - - x -
Xanthium strumarium

BERBERIDACEAE: [1]

- May Apple - - - -
Podophyllum peltatum

BETULACEAE: [3]

- River Birch - - - -
Betula nigra
 — American Hornbeam, Musclewood,
 Ironwood - - - -
Carpinus caroliniana
 — American Hazelnut - - - -
Corylus americana

BIGNONIACEAE: [2]

- Crossvine x - - -
Bignonia capreolata
 — Trumpet-creeper x - - -
Campsis radicans

BLECHNACEAE: [1]

- Netted Chain Fern - - - -
Lorinseria areolata

BRASSICACEAE: [4]

- Cutleaf Toothwort - - - -
Cardamine concatenata
 — Hairy Bitter-cress x - - -
Cardamine hirsuta
 — Poor Man's Pepper x - - -
Lepidium virginicum
 — Wild Radish x - - -
Raphanus raphanistrum

BUDDLEJACEAE: [1]

- Juniper-leaf - - - -
Polypremum procumbens

CAMPANULACEAE: [3]

- Cardinal Flower - x - -
- *Lobelia cardinalis*
- Indian-tobacco - - -
- *Lobelia inflata*
- Venus's Looking-glass x - -
- *Triodanis biflora*

CAPRIFOLIACEAE: [2]

- Japanese Honeysuckle x x x -
- *Lonicera japonica*
- Trumpet Honeysuckle x - -
- *Lonicera sempervirens*

CARYOPHYLLACEAE: [2]

- Short-petal Chickweed x - -
- *Cerastium brachypetalum*
- Giant Chickweed x - -
- *Stellaria pubera*

CELASTRACEAE: [1]

- American Strawberry-bush x - x -
- *Euonymus americanus*

COMMELINACEAE: [2]

- Asiatic Dayflower - x x -
- *Commelina communis*
- Zigzag Spiderwort - x -
- *Tradescantia subaspera var montana*

CONVOLVULACEAE: [1]

- Wild Potato-vine - x - -
- *Ipomoea pandurata*

CORNACEAE: [1]

- Flowering Dogwood x - -
- *Cornus florida*

CUPRESSACEAE: [1]

- Eastern Red-cedar - - -
- *Juniperus virginiana var. virginiana*

DRYOPTERIDACEAE: [3]

- Southern Lady Fern - - -
- *Athyrium asplenoides*
- Sensitive Fern - - -
- *Onoclea sensibilis*
- Christmas Fern - - -
- *Polystichum acrostichoides*

EBENACEAE: [1]

- Persimmon - - -
- *Diospyros virginiana*

ELAEAGNACEAE: [1]

- Autumn Olive x - - -
- *Elaeagnus umbellata*

ERICACEAE: [5]

- Spotted Wintergreen - - -
- *Chimaphila maculata*
- Indian-pipe - - -
- *Monotropa uniflora*
- Sourwood - - -
- *Oxydendrum arboreum*
- Pink Azalea, Pinxster Azalea x - -
- *Rhododendron periclymenoides*
- Squaw Huckleberry, Deerberry x - -
- *Vaccinium stamineum*

EUPHORBIACEAE: [2]

- Spotted Spurge - - -
- *Chamaesyce maculata*
- Flowering Spurge - x -
- *Euphorbia corollata*

FABACEAE: [14]

- Mimosa, Silk Tree - x -
- *Albizia julibrissin*
- Coastal Butterfly-pea x x x -
- *Centrosema virginianum*
- Eastern Redbud x - -
- *Cercis canadensis var. canadensis*
- Honey-locust - - -
- *Gleditsia triacanthos*
- Trailing Bush-clover - - -
- *Lespedeza procumbens*
- Creeping Bush-clover - - -
- *Lespedeza repens*
- Kudzu - - -
- *Pueraria montana*
- Black Locust - - -
- *Robinia pseudoacacia*
- Pencilflower - - x
- *Stylosanthes biflora*
- Goat's-rue x - -
- *Tephrosia virginiana*
- Yellow Clover x - -
- *Trifolium aureum*
- Red Clover x x x -
- *Trifolium pratense*

FABACEAE: [14]

- White Clover x - - -
- *Trifolium repens*
- Chinese Wisteria x - - -
- *Wisteria sinensis*

FAGACEAE: [6]

- American Beech, White Beech - - -
- *Fagus grandifolia var. caroliniana*
- White Oak - - -
- *Quercus alba*
- Chestnut Oak, Rock Chestnut Oak - - -
- *Quercus montana*
- Water Oak - - -
- *Quercus nigra*
- Willow Oak - - -
- *Quercus phellos*
- Red Oak - - -
- *Quercus rubra var rubra*

FUMARIACEAE: [1]

- Yellow Corydalis - - -
- *Corydalis flavula*

GERANIACEAE: [1]

- Carolina Crane's-bill - - -
- *Geranium carolinianum*

HAMAMELIDACEAE: [1]

- Sweet Gum - - -
- *Liquidambar styraciflua*

HYACINTHACEAE: [1]

- Grape-hyacinth x - -
- *Muscari neglectum*

HYDRANGEACEAE: [1]

- Streambank Mock Orange x - -
- *Philadelphus hirsutus*

HYDROCHARITACEAE: [1]

- Hydrilla - - -
- *Hydrilla verticillata*

HYPERICACEAE: [1]

- St. Andrew's Cross - x x -
- *Hypericum hypericoides*

IRIDACEAE: [2]

- White Blue-eyed-grass x - - -
- *Sisyrinchium albidum*
- Pointed Blue-eyed-grass x - - -
- *Sisyrinchium angustifolium*

JUGLANDACEAE: [2]

- Southern Shagbark Hickory - - - -
- Carya caroliniana-septentrionalis*

- Mockernut Hickory, White Hickory - - - -
- Carya tomentosa*

LAMIACEAE: [7]

- Ground Ivy x - - -
- Glechoma hederacea*

- Common Deadnettle x - - -
- Lamium amplexicaule*

- Purple Deadnettle x - - -
- Lamium purpureum*

- Wild Bergamot Bee-balm - x - -
- Monarda fistulosa*

- Self-heal - x x -
- Prunella vulgaris*

- Lyre-leaf Sage x - - -
- Salvia lyrata*

- Hyssop Skullcap - x - -
- Scutellaria integrifolia*

LAURACEAE: [2]

- Spicebush - - - -
- Lindera benzoin*

- Sassafras - - - -
- Sassafras albidum*

LILIACEAE: [8]

- Field Garlic - x - -
- Allium vineale*

- Wild Hyacinth x - - -
- Camassia scilloides*

- Dimpled Trout-lily, Dimpled Fawn-lily, Yellow Trout-lily - - - -
- Erythronium umbilicatum*

- Orange Daylily - x - -
- Hemerocallis fulva*

- Common Daffodil x - - x
- Narcissus pseudonarcissus*

- Small Solomon's-seal x - - -
- Polygonatum biflorum var. biflorum*

- Perfoliate Bellwort x - - -
- Uvularia perfoliata*

- Atamasco Lily x - - -
- Zephyranthes atamasco*

LYCOPDIACEAE: [2]

- Common Ground-pine, Flat-branched Tree-clubmoss - - - -
- Dendrolycopodium obscurum*

LYCOPDIACEAE: [2]

- Fan Club-moss, Flat-branched Clubmoss - - - -
- Diphasiastrum digitatum*

LYTHRACEAE: [1]

- Crape Myrtle - x - -
- Lagerstroemia indica*

MAGNOLIACEAE: [3]

- Tulip-tree, Yellow Poplar, Whitewood x - - -
- Liriodendron tulipifera*

- Southern Magnolia - - - -
- Magnolia grandiflora*

- Umbrella Magnolia - - - -
- Magnolia tripetala*

MALVACEAE: [2]

- Swamp Rosemallow - x - -
- Hibiscus moscheutos*

- Rose-of-sharon - x - -
- Hibiscus syriacus*

MELASTOMATACEAE: [1]

- Maryland Meadow-beauty - x x -
- Rhexia mariana*

NAJADACEAE: [1]

- Brittle Naiad - - - -
- Najas minor*

NYMPHAEACEAE: [1]

- White Waterlily - x - -
- Nymphaea odorata ssp. odorata*

OLEACEAE: [4]

- Fringe Tree x - - -
- Chionanthus virginicus*

- Showy Forsythia x - - -
- Forsythia X intermedia*

- White Ash, American Ash - - - -
- Fraxinus americana*

- Chinese Privet x - - -
- Ligustrum sinense*

OPHIOGLOSSACEAE: [1]

- Cutleaf Grapefern, Dissected Grapefern - - - -
- Sceptridium dissectum*

ORCHIDACEAE: [4]

- Pink Lady's-slipper x - - -
- Cypripedium acaule*

ORCHIDACEAE: [4]

- Downy Rattlesnake-orchid, Downy Rattlesnake-plantain - x - -
- Goodyera pubescens*

- Nodding Ladies'-tresses - x - -
- Spiranthes cernua*

- Cranefly Orchid - - - -
- Tipularia discolor*

OXALIDACEAE: [1]

- Upright Yellow Wood-sorrel x - - -
- Oxalis stricta*

PASSIFLORACEAE: [1]

- Purple Passion-flower, Maypops - x - -
- Passiflora incarnata*

PHYTOLACCACEAE: [1]

- Common Pokeweed - x - -
- Phytolacca americana*

PINACEAE: [4]

- Long-leaf Pine - - - -
- Pinus palustris*

- Eastern White Pine - - - -
- Pinus strobus*

- Loblolly Pine - - - -
- Pinus taeda*

- Virginia Pine - - - -
- Pinus virginiana*

PLANTAGINACEAE: [5]

- Common Toadflax x - - -
- Linaria canadensis*

- Purple Mecardonia - - - -
- Mecardonia acuminata*

- Smooth Beardtongue - x - -
- Penstemon laevigatus*

- English Plantain - x - -
- Plantago lanceolata*

- Field Speedwell x - - x
- Veronica agrestis*

PLATANACEAE: [1]

- Sycamore - - - -
- Platanus occidentalis*

POACEAE: [3]

- Indian Sea-oats, River Oats - x - -
- Chasmanthium latifolium*

- Centipede Grass - - - -
- Eremochloa ophiuroidea*

POACEAE: [3]

- Japanese Grass, Eulalia - - -
 Microstegium vimineum

POLEMONIACEAE: [1]

- Trailing Phlox x - -
 Phlox nivalis var. *hentzii*

POLYGONACEAE: [1]

- Pinkweed, Common Smartweed,
 Pennsylvania Smartweed - - x -
 Persicaria pensylvanica

POLYPODIACEAE: [1]

- Resurrection Fern, Scaly Polypody - - -
 Pleopeltis michauxiana

PORTULACACEAE: [1]

- Narrow-leaved Spring Beauty - - -
 Claytonia virginica

RANUNCULACEAE: [4]

- Wild Columbine x - -
 Aquilegia canadensis
— Virginia Virgin-bower - - -
 Clematis virginiana
— Kidney-leaved Buttercup x - -
 Ranunculus abortivus
— Small-flower Butter-cup - - -
 Ranunculus parviflorus

ROSACEAE: [8]

- Downy Serviceberry x - -
 Amelanchier arborea
— White Avens - - -
 Geum canadense
— Indian-strawberry x - -
 Potentilla indica
— Old-field Cinquefoil x - -
 Potentilla simplex
— Black Cherry x - -
 Prunus serotina var. *serotina*
— Callery Pear, Bradford Pear x - -
 Pyrus calleryana
— Swamp Rose x - -
 Rosa palustris
— Pennsylvania Blackberry, Eastern
 Blackberry - - -
 Rubus pensylvanicus

RUBIACEAE: [6]

- Common Buttonbush - x - -
 Cephalanthus occidentalis

RUBIACEAE: [6]

- Larger Button-weed - x x -
 Diodia virginiana
— Catchweed Bedstraw - - - -
 Galium aparine
— Slender-leaved Bluets x - - -
 Houstonia tenuifolia
— Partridge-berry - - - -
 Mitchella repens
— Silver Buffalo-berry x - - -
 Sherardia arvensis

SAPINDACEAE: [4]

- Southern Sugar Maple, Florida Maple - - - -
 Acer floridanum
— Red Maple x - - -
 Acer rubrum
— Yellow Buckeye x - - -
 Aesculus flava
— Painted Buckeye - - - -
 Aesculus sylvatica

SAXIFRAGACEAE: [1]

- Early Saxifrage - - - -
 Micranthes virginiensis

SCROPHULARIACEAE: [3]

- Japanese Mazus x - - -
 Mazus pumilus
— Princess Tree x - - -
 Paulownia tomentosa
— Great Mullein - x - -
 Verbascum thapsus

SIMAROUBACEAE: [1]

- Tree-of-heaven - - - -
 Ailanthus altissima

SOLANACEAE: [1]

- Carolina Horse-nettle - x - -
 Solanum carolinense

TAXODIACEAE: [1]

- Bald Cypress - - - -
 Taxodium distichum

ULMACEAE: [1]

- Winged Elm - - - -
 Ulmus alata

VIOLACEAE: [3]

- American Field Pansy x - - -
 Viola rafinesquei

VIOLACEAE: [3]

- Woolly Blue Violet x - - -
 Viola sororia
— Dooryard Violet, Confederate Violet,
 Common Blue Violet x - - -
 Viola sororia var. *sororia*

VISCACEAE: [1]

- American Mistletoe - - - -
 Phoradendron leucarpum

VITACEAE: [2]

- Muscadine, Scuppernong - - - -
 Muscadinia rotundifolia
— Virginia Creeper - - - -
 Parthenocissus quinquefolia