

WILD
&
FREE

THE WILDFLOWERS OF
JACKSON MORROW
PARK
KOKOMO, INDIANA

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***Nature always wears the colors of the spirit
- Ralph Waldo Emerson***

***Those who contemplate the beauty of the
Earth find reserves of strength that will
endure as long as life lasts.
- Rachel Carson***

WHITE FLOWERS

❖ Daisy Fleabane

Daisy family (Compositae)

Aster-like flower with numerous string-like rays

Smooth, rounded, & creeping leaves near base of plant

❖ Garlic Mustard

Mustard family (Brassicaceae)

2-4 ft. tall

Small flowers in clusters of 4-5, each with 4 petals

❖ Honewort

Parsley family (Umbelliferae)

Pointed and toothed leaflets abundant

Tiny flowers in almost umbrella-like bunches at tops of stems

❖ May-apple; Mandrake

Barberry family (Berberidaceae)

5-7 large, showy “palm-like” leaves

1 nodding & waxy flower hidden below leaves

❖ Mouse-ear Chickweed

Pink family (Caryophyllaceae)

Hairy, stalkless leaves and stem

Small flowers with deeply cleft petals

WHITE FLOWERS

❖ Pale White Violet

Violet family (Violaceae)

Tall flower stalks higher than pointed heart-shaped leaves

1 flower with 5 irregular petals; no yellow inside flower

❖ Rough Avens

Rose family (Rosaceae)

Large, hairy leaves; seed balls look spiky

5 petals shorter than green sepals underneath

❖ Spring Beauty

Purslane family (Portulacaceae)

Pair of smooth, linear leaves

2-5 flowers with with, pink, or dark pink veins

❖ Star-of-Bethlehem

Lily family (Liliaceae)

4-12 in. tall with grasslike leaves

3-6 showy flowers (6 petals) with green stripe underneath

❖ Thyme-Leaved Speedwell

Figwort family (Scrophulariaceae)

Low-growing short plant

Small white flowers with bold blue-purple lines

WHITE FLOWERS

❖ White Clover

Pea family (Leguminosae)

Triangular mark on each leaflet; separate stalk from flower

Ball-like flower may have pink color to them also

❖ Wild Blue Phlox

Phlox family (Polemoniaceae)

10-20 in. tall with small sticky leaves

Flowers with 5 wedged petals in bunches at top of stem



Above: Thyme-leaved Speedwell, grassy lawn

Below: Garlic Mustard, full grown plant height



Right: Thyme-leaved Speedwell, flower close-up





**Right: Garlic Mustard,
top view of flower
cluster and “swirled”
leaf arrangement
around stem**



**Left: Garlic
Mustard,
nature trail
edge**



Left: Star-of-Bethlehem, flower close-up

Below: Star-of-Bethlehem, top view of flower arrangement



Left: White Clover, head close-up shows pink coloration on lower petals



Left: May-apple, hidden flower close-up



Right: Field of White Clover



Left: May-apple colony; leaves resemble tiny “palm” trees

Right: Spring Beauty, ground-creeping flower along creek edge



Left: Spring Beauty, flower close-up shows pink venation



**Above: Pale White Violet,
deep woods**

**Above: Pale White
Violet, leaves tall
but flower stalk
still emerges
above and away
from leaves**

**Right: Pale White
Violet, close-up
shows absence on
yellow at base of
petals**



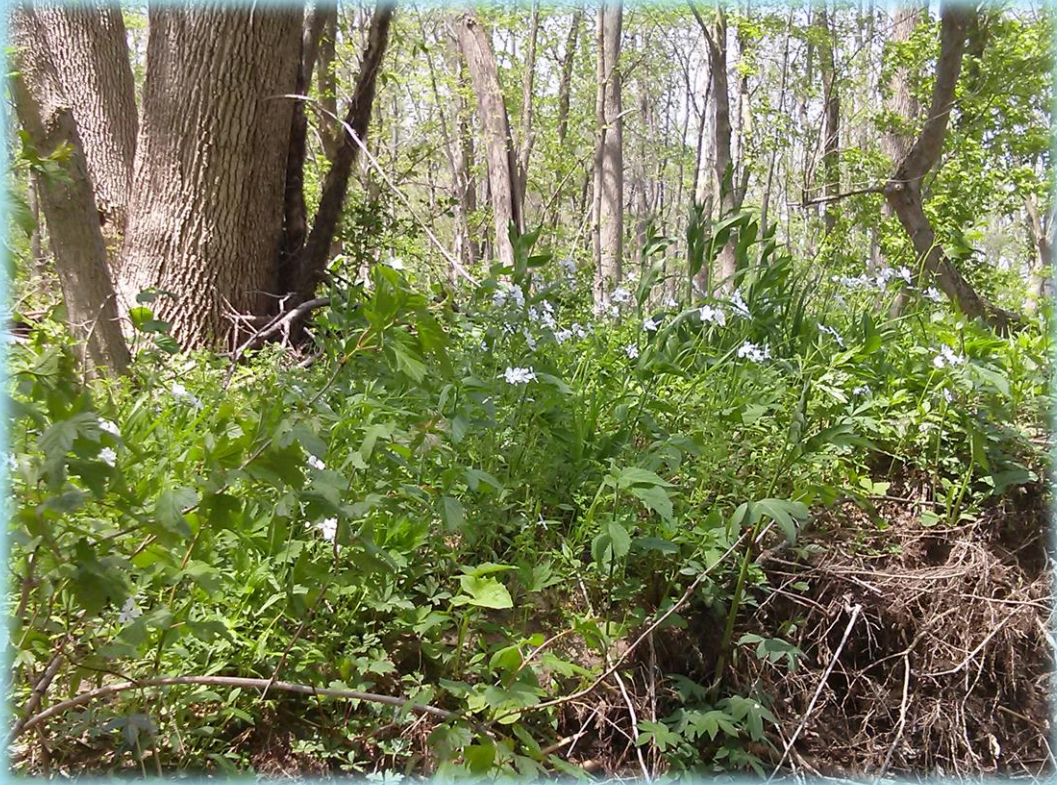


Left: Mouse-ear Chickweed, grassy field

Below: Mouse-ear Chickweed, 5 groups of deeply cleft petals per flower



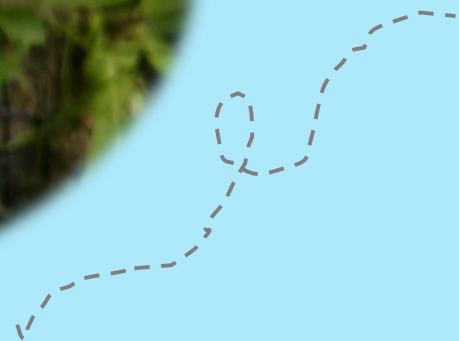
Below: Wild Blue Phlox, colony along creek bank



**Right: Wild Blue
Phlox, grows in
clumped colonies
along the creek in
sunny patches**

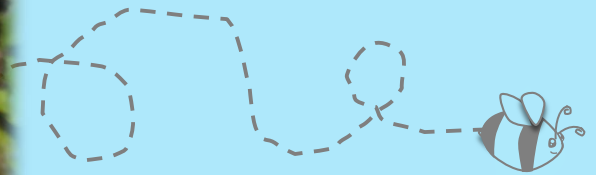


**Below: Daisy
Fleabane, flower
close-up shows
numerous rays
instead of solid
petals**





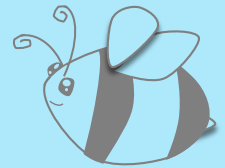
**Left: Daisy Fleabane,
creeping leaves
intertwine with other low
growing plants near the
creek edge**



**Below: Rough Avens,
close-up of leaf shows
tiny hairs along edges**



Left: Rough Aven, 5 white petals are spread apart and seed pods are prickly looking



Below: Honewort, extreme close-up of tiny flowers high above the large, toothed leaflets



YELLOW FLOWERS

❖ Common Dandelion

Daisy family (Compositae)

Familiar lawn flower with one large head & jagged leaves

Turns white and fluffy when it goes to seed

❖ Indian Strawberry

Rose family (Rosaceae)

Pointed leaflets; single yellow flowers with 3-toothed bracts

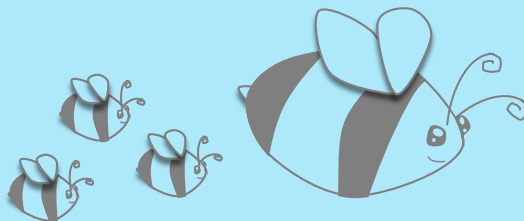
Strawberry-like fruit is inedible

❖ Winter Cress/Yellow Rocket

Mustard family (Cruciferae)

Small but abundant flowers in bunches having 4 petals

Rounded leaves near base but toothed leaves near top





Left: Common Dandelion, aster-like flower projects away from toothed leaves toward sunlight



Right: Winter Cress, close-up of small but abundant flowers in racemes at tops of stems



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Right: Winter
Cress, along
roadsides near
very wet areas;
very tall and large
plant



Left: Indian
Strawberry, single
strawberry-like
fruit sits in center
of petals

RED-PURPLE FLOWERS

❖ Dame's Rocket

Mustard family (Cruciferae)

1-3 ft. tall with 4-petaled pink, purple, or white flowers

Large leaves and long seedpods

❖ Prairie Trillium

Lily family (Liliaceae)

3 pointed leaves around flower have short stems

1 large flower in center

❖ Purple Dead Nettle

Mint family (Labiatae)

Purple-tinted heart-shaped leaves crowded and drooping

Light purple flowers at top of 4-12 in. tall stem

❖ Red Clover

Pea family (Leguminosae)

Tall stem with rounded flower head at top

Red to light purple colored petals surrounded by leaflets

❖ Toadshade Trillium

Lily family (Liliaceae)

3 rounded leaves around flower lack their own stems

Leaves may be maroon or purple-tinted

Right: Dame's Rocket, has only 4 petals like its other Mustard family relatives



Left: Dame's Rocket, flower buds are present for weeks before opening in late May-June

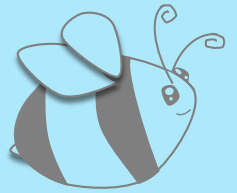
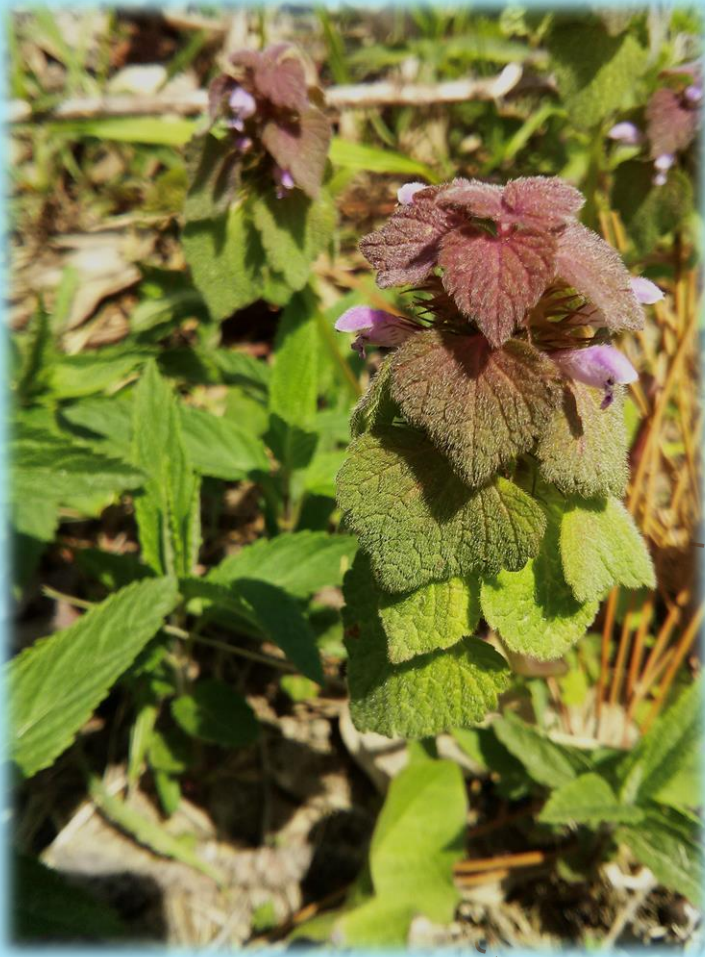


Right: Dame's Rocket, tend to grow in colonies in sunny patches near the edge of wooded areas



Left: Dame's Rocket, purple and white flowers in the same colony

Left: Purple Dead Nettle, in open undisturbed areas, these flowers will grow to 16 in. tall or more!

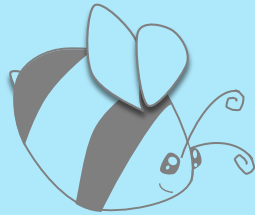


Right: Purple Dead Nettle, often grow in small colonies in very moist areas with ample sunlight



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Right: Prairie Trillium, 3 pointed leaves are stiff and often have speckled coloration



Left: Toadshade Trillium, 3 rounded leaves lack individual stalks and tend to droop



Right: Red Clover, similar to but much taller than White Clover; found in open grassy areas that are mowed less often

BLUE-PURPLE FLOWERS

❖ Asiatic Dayflower

Spiderwort family (Commelinaceae)

2 bright blue top petals & 1 white lower petal

Small plant tends to lean backwards toward ground

❖ Blue Violets [Common Blue & Northern Blue Violets]

Violet family (Violaceae)

1-3 heart-shaped leaves

1 blue/purple flower with 5 irregular petals

❖ Broad-leaved Waterleaf

Waterleaf family (Hydrophyllaceae)

6-20 in. tall with broad, maple-like leaves

White to purple bunches of large flowers

❖ Chicory

Daisy family (Compositae)

Large stalkless flowers with square & toothed ends

Basal leaves dandelion-like; stem almost bare

❖ Ground Ivy

Mint family (Laminaceae)

Pairs of asymmetrical flowers; rounded/scalloped leaves

Grow in low mats across the ground

BLUE-PURPLE FLOWERS

❖ Larger Blue Flag

Iris family (Iridaceae)

Showy flower with downcurved petals; yellow & white veins
2-3 ft. tall with wide sword-like leaves; along creek edge

❖ Tall Larkspur

Buttercup family (Ranunculaceae)

2-6 ft. tall with palmate leaves being 3-5 lobed

Large 5-petal flowers at top have long spur behind petals

❖ Virginia Bluebells

Forget-Me-Not family (Boraginaceae)

Nodding, trumpet-like flowers abundant near top

Large oval leaves wilting; thick water-holding stem



Above Right: Blue Violets tend to grow in clumps in sunny patches throughout park



Left: Blue Violets, variation in flower petal shape and hue



Right: Blue Violets, single flowers project 1-2 in. higher than leaves



**Above: Ground Ivy,
close-up of flower
arrangement**



**Above: Ground Ivy,
scalloped & rounded
leaves**



**Right: Ground Ivy,
large mat across
grassy lawn area**



**Left: Broad-leaved
Waterleaf, faint
colored flowers with
bright yellow centers**

**Below: Broad-leaved
Waterleaf, maple-like
leaves radiate from central
stem**





Above: Larger Blue Flag, stands 2-3 ft. tall along creek bank



Above: Broad-leaved Waterleaf, flowers tower high above large leaves; found along sunny trail edges



Left: Larger Blue Flag, large petals droop downwards



Left: Larger Blue Flag, petals curve and droop with bright yellow centers and dark blue veins

Below: Tall Larkspur, 5-petaled flowers with long posterior spurs

Below: Tall Larkspur, smooth lobed leaves



Right: Virginia Bluebells, grow in large willowy colonies and have thick water-holding stems



Left: Virginia Bluebells, bright blue trumpet-like flowers hang in groups and sway easily in the wind

Right: Virginia Bluebells, colonies grow right along creek edge where roots can absorb maximum water





Left: Chicory, tall spindly plant with bright blue flowers easy to spot along roadsides and in open grassy areas



Right: Asiatic Dayflower, two prominent top petals stand out against a single cup shaped leaf



Right: Asiatic Dayflower, seen only along woods edge; small flower easy to miss among other plants

the 1990s, the number of people in the UK who are employed in the public sector has increased from 1.5 million to 2.5 million (16% of the population).

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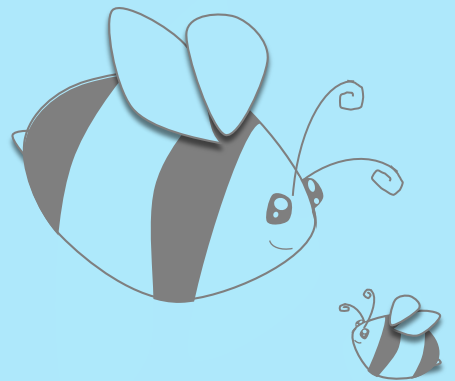
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To the Intrigued,

I urge you to explore. Everyday, find somewhere new to go and something new to see. From the tallest mountain to the smallest microbe, the world will provide you with endless wonders. When you feel curious, let it amaze you. When you feel tired, let it rejuvenate you. When you feel alone just sit and listen, and feel. Journey into nature and explore. Let the world and all its wonders touch your soul, and you will know you are never alone.

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