

## 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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# Eleven Mile State Park

Discovering...  Plants



*Wallflower*

## PLANT CHECKLIST

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 Champion
- 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*

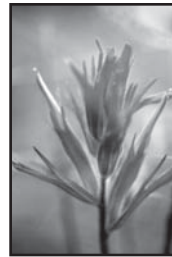


*Colorado Rubberweed*

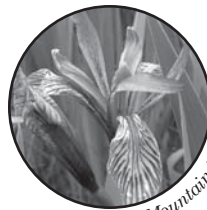


*Lanceleaf Bluebells*

- Littleflower Alumroot
- Marsh Felwort
- Meadow hawksbeard
- Meadow Lousewort
- Microseris
- Milkvetch (locoweed)
- Moss Champion
- 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

## NATIVE ANNUAL GRASSES

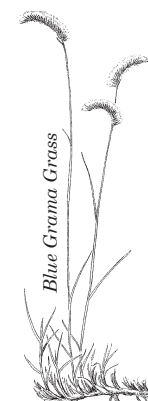
- Annual Muhly
- False Buffalograss

## NATIVE PERENNIAL GRASSES

- Agassiz Bluegrass
- Alkali Cordgrass
- Alkali Sacaton
- Arizona Fescue
- Baltic Rush
- Beaked Sedge
- Blackcreeper 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



*False Buffalograss*



*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

## INTRODUCED TREES

- Willow



*Quaking Aspen*