

A Series on Native Florida Wildflowers by: Alicia Lamborn

Wildflowers: What's Blooming #2019-1

Blanket Flower (Gaillardia pulchella)

A common site in beach dunes and roadsides, this Florida native has eye-catching daisy-like flowers with yellow-tipped, reddish-purple petals that appear in spring and summer.





Osceola's Plume (Zigadenus densus)

Also called Crow-poison due to its poisonous root stock, this plant is in the Lily family and is found in moist pinelands and swamps of north and central Florida. Grass-like leaves give rise to 3-foot-tall stems that produce racemes of white-pink flowers in spring time.

Pine Lily (Lilium catesbaei)

This rarely seen, threatened flower may be found blooming from July to October in wet pinelands, savannas, and other wet areas in select Florida counties. The plant is unique in that it has a leafy stalk but lacks basal leaves. Flowers have reddish-orange tepals (undifferentiated petals and sepals) with yellow bases and dots of purplish-brown.

