

A Series on Native Florida Wildflowers by: Alicia Lamborn

Wildflowers: What's Blooming

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Hooded Pitcherplant (Sarracenia minor)

The "pitchers" of this carnivorous plant are hollow leaves with arching hoods that collect water and attract insects with strong odors. Orange-yellow flowers appear in spring. This threatened Florida native can be found growing in wet pinelands and prairies through much of north and central Florida.





Yellow Butterwort (Pinguicula lutea)

A carnivorous Florida native that traps and digests small insects with its sticky leaves. The succulent basal leaves form a rosette and leafless stalks emerge during winter and spring to produce yellow, spurred flowers. Look for this unique plant in moist pinelands throughout the state.

Pink Sundew (Drosera capillaris)

Thriving in moist, nutrient deficient soils throughout the state, this small carnivorous plant is one of five species of Sundew native to Florida. Leaves are covered in red hairs that hold drops of sticky liquid, allowing the plant to trap insects and digest them for the nutrients. Semi-showy pink flowers appear in spring and continue through fall.

