

# Washington Flora Checklist

## A checklist of the Vascular Plants of Washington State

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#### Family: Aristolochiaceae

1 terminal taxa (species, subspecies, and varieties).

The Washington Flora Checklist aims to be a complete list of the native and naturalized vascular plants of Washington State, with current classifications, nomenclature and synonymy.

#### Taxa included in the checklist:

- \* Native taxa whether extant, extirpated, or extinct.
- \* Exotic taxa that are naturalized, escaped from cultivation, or persisting wild.
- \* Waifs (e.g., ballast plants, escaped crop plants) and other scarcely collected exotics.
- \* Interspecific hybrids that are frequent or self-maintaining.
- \* Some unnamed taxa in the process of being described.

Family classifications follow [APG IV](#) for angiosperms, PPG I (J. Syst. Evol. 54:563?603. 2016.) for pteridophytes, and Christenhusz et al. (Phytotaxa 19:55?70. 2011.) for gymnosperms, with a few exceptions. Nomenclature and synonymy at the rank of genus and below follows the [2nd Edition of the Flora of the Pacific Northwest](#) except where superceded by new information.

Accepted names are indicated with blue font; synonyms with black font.  
Native species and infraspecies are marked with **boldface** font.

**Please note:** This is a working checklist, continuously updated. Use it at your discretion.

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## Dicots:

### Aristolochiaceae [FNA3, HC, HC2] Birthwort Family

**Synonyms:** (none)

**References:** (none)

#### *Asarum* [FNA3, HC, HC2]

Sp. Pl. 1: 442. 1753; Gen. Pl. ed. 5, 201, 1754.  
wild ginger

#### *Asarum caudatum* Lindl. [FNA3, HC, HC2]

Edwards's Bot. Reg. 17: footnote after plate 1399.  
wild ginger

*Asarum caudatum* Lindl. var. *caudatum* [KZ99]

FNA3: "In most populations of *Asarum caudatum*, the distal portion of the sepal is spreading or weakly reflexed and 30-75 mm. A single population south of Mt. Shasta, California, has the distal sepals strongly reflexed and unusually short, often as little as 1.1 cm. Flowers of these plants superficially resemble those of *A. lemmonii*; they differ in being horizontal, not descending as in *A. lemmonii*, and in the filiform-attenuate sepals. Native Americans used *Asarum caudatum* medicinally to treat headaches, intestinal pain, knee pain, indigestion, boils, tuberculosis, and colic, and as a general tonic (D. E. Moerman 1986)."