

# Flora of the Pacific Northwest Checklist

## A checklist of the Vascular Plants of the Pacific Northwest Hosted by the University of Washington Herbarium

### Family: Linaceae

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

The Flora of the Pacific Northwest Checklist aims to be a complete list of the native and naturalized vascular plants of the Pacific Northwest, 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synonymy at the rank of genus and below follows the [2nd Edition of the Flora of the Pacific Northwest](#) except where superseded by new information.

Accepted names are indicated with **blue type**, synonyms with **gray type**.

Native species and infraspecies are marked with **bold-face type**.

\*Non-native and introduced taxa are preceded by an asterisk.

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

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# Dicots:

## Linaceae [HC, HC2] Flax Family

### **Hesperolinon** [HC2]

western flax

#### **Hesperolinon micranthum** (A. Gray) Small [HC2]

small-flowered western flax

*Linum micranthum* A. Gray [HC]

### **Linum** [HC, HC2]

flax

(see also *Sclerolinon*)

#### \***Linum bienne** Mill. [HC2]

narrow-leaved flax, pale flax

*Linum angustifolium* Huds. [HC]

#### \***Linum catharticum** L. [HC2]

#### **Linum lewisii** Pursh [HC2]

Fl. Amer. Sept. (Pursh) 1: 210. 1813.

wild blue flax

*Adenolinum lewisii* (Pursh) Á. Löve & D. Löve

#### **var. alpicola** Jeps. [HC2]

#### **var. lewisii** [HC2, JPM]

Fl. Amer. Sept. 1: 210 [1813]. 1814.

wild blue flax

*Linum perenne* L. ssp. *lewisii* (Pursh) Hultén

*Linum perenne* L. var. *lewisii* (Pursh) Eaton & J. Wright [HC]

#### \***Linum narbonense** L. [HC2]

#### \***Linum perenne** L. [HC, HC2]

Sp. Pl. 1: 277. 1753.

blue garden flax

(see also *Linum lewisii*)

*Linum perenne* L. var. *perenne* [HC]

#### **Linum rigidum** Pursh [HC, HC2]

yellow flax, large-flowered yellow flax

#### **var. rigidum** [HC2]

#### \***Linum usitatissimum** L. [HC, HC2]

Sp. Pl. 1: 277. 1753.

linseed

*Linum humile* Mill.

### **Sclerolinon** [HC2]

hard flax

#### **Sclerolinon digynum** (A. Gray) C.M. Rogers [HC2, JPM2]

Madroño 18(6): 182. 1966.

northwestern yellow-flax

*Linum digynum* A. Gray [HC]