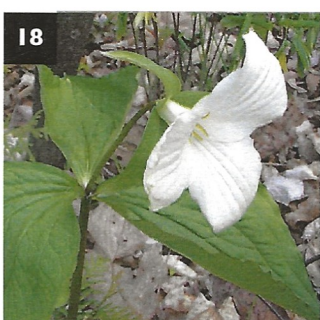
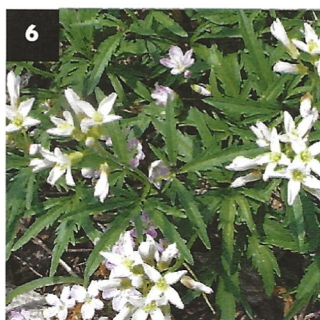


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- 1** Rue anemone (*Thalictrum thalictroides*)
March–June; 4–8"; white or pink flowers positioned on wiry stems above the 3-lobed foliage.
- 2** Jack-in-the-pulpit (*Arisaema triphyllum*)
April–July; 12–24"; green and purplish-brown striped hood arches over a club-shaped spadix ("Jack"); showy, brilliant red clusters of fruit in fall.
- 3** Wild-ginger (*Asarum canadense*)
April–June; 6–12"; heart-shaped leaves hide the unusual ground-level, urn-shaped, reddish-purple flower.
- 4** Spring beauty (*Claytonia virginica*)
April–May; 6"; starlike, 5-petaled flowers are white with pink veins; leaves are grasslike.
- 5** Dutchman's breeches (*Dicentra cucullaria*)
March–May; 6–12"; graceful, nodding white flowers are shaped like upside-down trousers; fernlike, feathery, blue-gray foliage.
- 6** Toothwort (*Cardamine concatenata*)
March–May; 8–16"; white to light pink 4-petaled flowers stand above deeply divided leaves.
- 7** Shooting star (*Dodecatheon meadia*)
April–June; 8–24"; basal, lance-shaped leaves; tall flower stalk topped by small cluster of pale pink to white nodding flowers with reflexed petals.
- 8** White trout lily (*Erythronium albidum*)
March–May; 4–8"; thick single or paired mottled leaves; nodding, starlike white flowers on 2-leaf specimens only.
- 9** Wild geranium (*Geranium maculatum*)
April–July; 12–18"; deeply cut 3–5-lobed leaves; 5-petaled magenta-pink flowers in loose clusters; beaklike seed capsule resembles a crane's bill.
- 10** Sharp-lobed hepatica (*Hepatica acutiloba*)
March–May; 2–6"; earliest flowers of spring; blue, white, or pink flowerlike sepals appear before new leaves; older 3-lobed leaves stay through winter, turning purplish; flower stalks extremely hairy.
- 11** False rue anemone (*Enemion biternatum*)
April–May; 4–6"; delicate white flowers; leaflets more deeply cut than rue anemone; generally found in large colonies.
- 12** Virginia bluebells (*Mertensia virginica*)
March–May; 12–18"; erect stems with alternate leaves; nodding clusters of trumpet-shaped pink or blue, rarely white, flowers.
- 13** Woodland phlox (*Phlox divaricata*)
April–June; 6–24"; blue to lilac flower clusters; lance-shaped leaves are arranged opposite on hairy stems.
- 14** May-apple (*Podophyllum peltatum*)
May–June; 12–18"; 1 to 2 very large umbrellalike leaves with deeply cut lobes attached to one stem; a single white flower on 2-leaf specimen only; small applelike fruit under leaves in late June.
- 15** Jacob's ladder (*Polemonium reptans*)
May–June; 8–16"; basal leaves divide into pairs forming a "ladder"; numerous light blue-violet bell-shaped flowers are on separate stems.
- 16** Smooth Solomon's seal (*Polygonatum biflorum*)
May–July; 12–36"; arching stems with smooth pale green leaves; greenish-white flowers hang tassel-like along the stem; fruit is a blue-black berry.
- 17** Bloodroot (*Sanguinaria canadensis*)
April–May; 3–6"; a single white flower emerges from an enfolding shallow-lobed gray-green leaf.
- 18** White trillium (*Trillium grandiflorum*)
May–June; 10–18"; 3 very large waxy-white flower petals gracefully curve backwards above a 3-leaved stem.
- 19** Red trillium (*Trillium recurvatum*)
April–June; 8–16"; 3 mottled, distinct, short-stalked leaves; a single dark red stalkless flower has drooping sepals and erect petals.
- 20** Bellwort (*Uvularia grandiflora*)
April–May; 8–20"; graceful yellow drooping bell-shaped flowers on a long, forked stem.

* All plants listed are native to northern Illinois.