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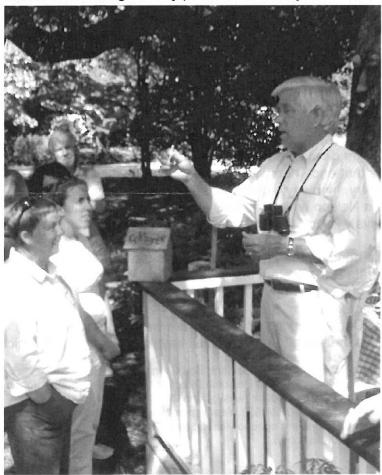
Hello Everyone,

We had a wonderful trip to Ramsey Creek Preserve, located in Oconee County, in August. Talk about a diversity of flora and fauna, our trip last month to the Preserve delivered, and then some! The creek and its surrounding coves, rhododendron thickets, upland slopes, and even wetlands were not only a beautiful place to spend a Saturday, but loaded with discoveries around every bend. Enthralling us were numerous woodland wildflowers, wetland forbs, and a great diversity of trees and shrubs keeping the botany crowd abuzz, and for the photo bugs and "bug-bugs", aquatic larval dobsonflies, a scorpion with juveniles on its back, and a wide array of grasshopper species.

The "then some" was the story of The Preserve. It is significant as a large chunk of land now set aside and protected, but also as land now in the hands of Dr. Billy Campbell, who is returning it to its natural state. (Dr. Campbell personally showed us many of his favorite species down the many trails, and is an excellent botanist as well as physician.) Most significantly, the Preserve is a trendsetter in the growing green burial movement. The setting certainly is perfect, and for those who love nature, an interesting option to consider. (Some SCAN members have already signed up!)

A great turnout, agreeable weather, and fellowship around the dinner table before parting was icing on the cake. Kudos to our gracious host, Dr. Campbell, for his good stewardship of this Oconee County gem. Thanks, too, to Claudia Houck and Lynn Smith for organizing the trip.

And a special thank you to Dee Hope for providing us with the Ramsey Creek trip summary above! If you did not attend the trip, the Preserve is open daily to the public, free of charge, and I encourage you to visit and take a stroll through a truly peaceful cemetery.



SCAN recently received a monetary donation from Kalmia Gardens to honor Rudy Mancke. In May of this year Rudy shared his knowledge of our natural world with Garden visitors during a fundraising event. Mary Ridgeway, Director of Kalmia Gardens, felt that a fitting tribute to Rudy would be to help support the organization that he established. Thank you Mary and Kalmia Gardens! The donation couldn't have come at a better time as we are in the process of publishing another book spanning the third decade of SCAN, from January 1996 to December 2005.

On another note, one of our Regional Coordinators recently accepted a new position with an engineering firm in up-state New York, and SCAN lost a dedicated member. Chris Manuse has moved on and he will be missed, but not forgotten, by the many friends he made among the ranks of SCAN members. Chris, we'll miss you and wish you the best of luck in your new position, and please come join us on future trips when you are in South Carolina to visit your family.

Take care and I hope to see you all at Woods Bay later this month.

Gordon / SCAN President

WOODS BAY STATE NATURAL AREA BIOBLITZ & CAMPOUT SUMTER-CLARENDON COUNTIES, SC SEPTEMBER 27, 2008 – 10:00 AM (John Cely)

Woods Bay State Natural Area, part of the State Park System, is one of the best remaining examples of the "mysterious" Carolina bay. Carolina bays, so named because they are found primarily in the coastal plain of the Carolinas and feature an abundance of bay trees – loblolly bay, sweet bay, and red bay - are elliptical swampy depressions with a long axis orientation of northwest-southeast. Carolina bays can vary in size from an acre or two to several thousand acres; the largest known bay in South Carolina has a long axis of nearly 3.5 miles but the average long axis measured for more than 2500 bays was slightly less than half a mile (Bennett and Nelson 1991). With a long axis of 2.4 miles, Woods Bay ranks considerably above average in size.

Carolina bays in an undisturbed condition are highly valuable, and variable, wetlands. The typical bay in South Carolina features a perched water table over a clay-based bottom layer, although some have peat-based bottoms. Many bays are so thick with an evergreen shrub layer, intertwined with razor-sharp bamboo vine, that it is almost impossible for a human to penetrate them. Bays often have an overstory of pond pine, black gum, pond cypress, red maple, loblolly bay, and others. Some bays have pools of standing water in the middle and have an overstory of almost pure pond cypress, while others are treeless and feature a rich growth of grasses and sedges. Habitats at the 1,540-acre Woods Bay include a grass-sedge marsh, sand rims, cypress-tupelo swamp, and an evergreen shrub bog.

Carolina bays offer outstanding wildlife habitat for many birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians. It is no coincidence that black bears, especially in eastern North Carolina, are closely associated with bays and regularly use them for denning and escape cover.

Carolina bays are mysterious due in part to their origins, or the disagreement over their origins. Although bays have been known since shortly after the Carolinas were first settled, the extent of their distribution and consistent shape was not fully realized until the development of aerial photography in the 1920s and 30s. Observers were astonished when aerial photographs first revealed hundreds of Carolina bays that dotted Horry County, South Carolina. Their orientation and shape led to the meteor theory origin for some proponents, notably Henry Savage of Camden who wrote one of the definitive books on the Carolina bay phenomenon ("The Mysterious Carolina Bays" by Henry Savage, Jr., USC Press, 1982). Although the meteor theory has largely fallen out of favor, and most geologists now settle for a more prosaic origin, such as wind and wave action in a shallow sea bed, Henry Savage has been remembered with a Carolina bay of his own, Savage Bay Heritage Preserve, a few miles north of his home town.

A few imaginative souls with creative minds have come up with their own versions of Carolina bay origins, including the possibility that they were created from spawning beds by giant fish; were the launching pads of extraterrestrial rocket ships; and my favorite, giant divots created by golf-playing dinosaurs.

Whatever their origin, the mysterious Carolina bays that once numbered in the thousands have been systematically destroyed by agriculture, industrial forestry, highways, channelization, and other such developments to the point that Steve Bennett and John Nelson estimated only about 10% of the estimated 4000 bays that occurred in South Carolina were "relatively intact" and the number of pristine or exemplary bays was far fewer.

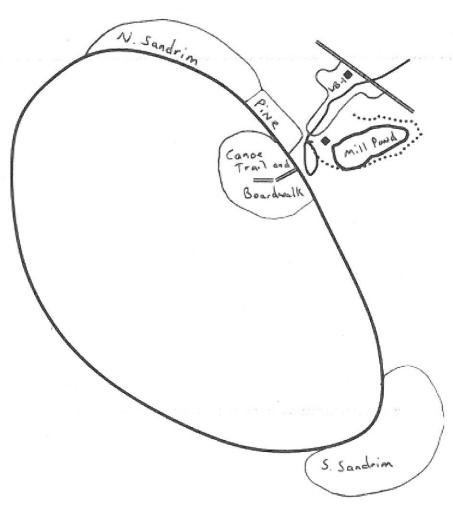
We have a local naturalist, J.C. Truluck, to thank for bringing the attention of Woods Bay to state authorities, which resulted in it becoming a protected part of the State Park System in the 1970s. One only has to google the words "earth Woods Bay" to see what has become of its sister bay next door to the west, Dial Bay, to realize Woods Bay's eventual fate had it not been protected.

We will meet at 10:00 AM at the Woods Bay Nature Center parking lot. From there we can hike a short distance into the bay on a 500-foot boardwalk. For those that wish to bring a small kayak, the canoe trail, which

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has been closed due to low water, will be open for us, although we may not be able to cover the entire half mile route. The Park has 4 kayaks they will make available to those on a first-come basis (contact Bryn Harmer at bharmer@scprt.com). Other habitats available by walking include the sand rims on the south and east side, the pine woods, and the half-mile trail around an old grown-up mill pond which has all the vegetative characteristics of a Carolina bay.

Woods Bay State Natural Area



Important: For this outing, the South Carolina Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department will be hosting a park "bioblitz;" see details below. Park officials will allow camping (primitive – restrooms and water are available but no electricity) for those that wish to stay over Saturday night or come early on Friday. We will have supper at the Smokehouse Restaurant in Turbeville. NOTE:
Turbeville is a notorious speed trap; for my short visit a few weeks ago, I saw two cars pulled over, so be careful!!

DIRECTIONS: From Columbia and parts west, take US 378 to Sumter and continue on the 378 by-pass to Turbeville: at Turbeville, take US 301 north for about 4-5 miles and turn left at the Woods Bay sign on county road 152; the Park entrance is about 2 miles down this road, on the left; Driving time from Columbia, about 1 hour & 15 minutes. From Florence and parts east: take I-95 south to exit 141. then hard right (south) on county road 58 for about two miles, then left (east) onto county road 48 and follow for 4-5 miles where the Park entrance will appear on your right. From Charleston and the south: take I-95 to the Turbeville exit (135) and follow directions as is from Columbia above.

Woods Bay State Natural Area Bioblitz - September 27-28, 2008

Please join the South Carolina State Park Service for a Bioblitz at Woods Bay State Natural Area. The park is located at 11020 Woods Bay Rd, Olanta, SC 29114. The event will take place from 10 AM on Saturday, September 27th, to noon on Sunday, September 28th. Participants may come early and check in Friday or wait until the official start Saturday morning.

You are welcome to join us for the weekend as we search the sandrims, mill pond, forest, and blackwater of the 1500 acre Carolina Bay known as Woods Bay State Natural Area.

Primitive camping will be available free of charge. There is also a picnic shelter available for the event. Please come and help us build a species list for the park.

Please contact **Bryn Harmer at bharmer@scprt.com** to register for the event or if you have any questions. Registration is required to help us in the planning of the weekend. Please register by September 24th. Feel free to pass this invitation to those in the scientific community that would be interested.

SCHEDULE FOR WOODS BAY BIOBLITZ: **Friday** →→ Check-in 4:00-6:00 PM at Visitor Center Saturday → Check-in 8:00- 9:30 AM at Visitor Center Presentation about the SC Park Service ATBI at 8:00 PM **Sunday** $\rightarrow \rightarrow$ Close-up camp by noon CONSIDERATIONS: Some drinking water and snacks will be provided. The water at Woods Bay State Natural Area has a very high iron content. If your tastes are sensitive you will want to bring some water with you. RECOMMENDED MAP COORDINATE SYSTEM **UTM Coordinates** UTM coordinates are preferred over latitude-longitude or any other types of coordinates. The preferred datum is NAD 83 (or WGS 84 depending on your GPS unit's available options.) Use UTM Zone 17 N Record UTM Easting coordinates to 6 digits (leave off any preceding zeroes); and UTM Northings to 7 digits. Record whole numbers only without any decimal places, commas, or letters (such as 'E' or 'N'). Accurate geographical information is requested and will be included in the SC State Park Service All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory. Please fill out the following registration form and remit to: Bryn Harmer at bharmer@scprt.com Deadline: September 24th; Woods Bay State Natural Area Bioblitz - September 27-28, 2008 Registration Form: Phone: _____Email: _____ Species you would like to inventory: ___ Areas you would like to inventory (Please rank your top three choices) See Map Above for listed Areas:

President's Special
Bishop Gravatt Center
Aiken County, SC
October 11, 2008, 10:30AM
(Gordon Murphy)

S. Sandrim

Pine Area

N. Sandrim

Mill Pond Trail I

Boardwalk/Canoe Trail ____ WB-1
What time of day would you inventory: ____
Do you plan on camping: Yes No

SCAN has been invited by Mr. Thomas Coleman, Program Director at the Bishop Gravatt Center, to conduct our typical flora and fauna inventory at the Center, located just north of Aiken. The Center is scheduled to have a controlled burn early in 2009 and they would like to have a flora inventory conducted prior to the burn, and would like our input on the maintenance of areas where rare plant species may be identified. Additional details will be forthcoming, via email and the SCAN Yahoo Groups website.

Florida Bay, Francis Marion National Forest, Berkeley Co., SC, July 26, 2008

The following lists were produced by SCAN from sightings by SCAN members and are subject to revision as needed. An asterisk (*) indicates a new sighting for SCAN. Send any changes or corrections to Jan Ciegler at jciegler@sc.rr.com. Please indicate exactly to which flora/fauna list you are referring. Thank you.

FLORA

Foxtail Clubmoss

Lycopodiella alopecuroides

Southern Bog Clubmoss Lycopodiella appressa

Cinnamon Fern

Osmunda cinnamomea

Royal Fern

Osmunda regalis spectabilis

Bracken

Pteridium aquilinum

Netted Chain Fern

Woodwardia areolata Virginia Chain Fern

Woodwardia virginica

Longleaf Pine

Pinus palustris **Pond Pine**

Pinus serotina

Pond-cypress

Taxodium ascendens

Dwarf Palmetto

Sabal minor

Pipewort

Eriocaulon compressum

Common Ten-angled **Pipewort**

> Eriocaulon decangulare decangulare

Common Bogbutton Lachnocaulon anceps

Umbrella-grass Fuirena sp.

Angle-stem Beaksedge Rhynchospora caduca

Threadleaf Beaksedge Rhynchospora filifolia

Broadleaf Whitetop Sedge

Rhynchospora latifolia Short-beak Beaksedge

* Rhynchospora nitens

Wright's Beaksedge

Rhynchospora wrightiana

Georgia Nutrush * Scleria Georgiana **Pitted Nutrush**

* Scleria muehlenbergii

Tall Nutrush

Scleria triglomerata

Toothache Grass

Ctenium aromaticum

Maidencane

Panicum hemitomon

Spanish-moss

Tillandsia usneoides

Redroot

Lachnanthes caroliniana Large Death-camas

Zigadenus glaberrimus

Golden Colic-root

Aletris aurea

Northern White Colic-root

Aletris farinosa

Coastal Plain Bog Asphodel

Triantha racemosa

Flag

Iris tridentata

Catbrier

Smilax bona-nox

Bamboo-vine

Smilax laurifolia

Sweetbay

Magnolia virginiana

Sweet Gum

Liquidambar styraciflua

Common Wax-myrtle

Morella cerifera

Common Chinquapin Castanea pumila

Running Oak

Quercus elliottii

Bluejack Oak

Quercus incana **Turkey Oak**

Quercus laevis

Sand Post Oak

Quercus margaretta

Blackjack Oak

Quercus marilandica marilandica

Water Oak

Quercus nigra

Post Oak

Quercus stellata

St.-John's-wort

Hypericum cistifolium

St. Andrew's Cross

Hypericum crux-andreae

Coppery St.-John's-wort

Hypericum denticulatum Peelbark St.-John's-wort

Hypericum fasciculatum

Marsh St.-John's-wort

Triadenum virginicum

Yellow Pitcherplant:

Trumpets

Sarracenia flava

Hooded Pitcherplant

Sarracenia minor minor

Pink Sundew

Drosera capillaris

Water Sundew

Drosera intermedia

Coastal Sweet Pepperbush

Clethra alnifolia

Leatherleaf

* Chamaedaphne calyculata

Dwarf Huckleberry

Gavlussacia dumosa Dangleberry

Gaylussacia frondosa

Shining Fetterbush Lyonia lucida

Staggerbush

Lyonia mariana

Creeping Blueberry

Vaccinium crassifolium Southern Highbush

Blueberry

Vaccinium formosum

Black Highbush Blueberry Vaccinium fuscatum

Southern Blueberry

Vaccinium tenellum

American Persimmon Diospyros virginiana

Horsesugar; Sweetleaf Symplocos tinctoria

Red Chokeberry

Aronia arbutifolia

Spurred Butterfly Pea Centrosema virginianum

Butterfly Pea

Clitoria mariana mariana

Coastal Plain Rattlebox Crotalaria purshii

Low Rattlebox

Crotalaria rotundifolia vulgaris

Milkpea

Galactia volubilis volubilis

Wild Indigo

Indigofera caroliniana

Eastern Sensitive-briar Mimosa microphylla

Dollarweed

Rhynchosia reniformis

Pencil-flower

Stylosanthes biflora

Goat's-rue

Tephrosia hispidula

Virginia Goat's-rue

Tephrosia virginiana

Waxweed

Cuphea carthagenensis

Flaxleaf Seedbox

* Ludwigia linifolia

Shrubby Seedbox

Ludwigia suffruticosa

Savanna Seedbox

Ludwigia virgata

Smooth Meadow-beauty Rhexia alifanus

Awned Meadow-beauty Rhexia aristosa

Meadow-beauty

Rhexia mariana Ciliate Meadow-beauty

* Rhexia petiolata

Swamp Tupelo Nyssa biflora

Dahoon

llex cassine cassine

Little Gallberry; Inkberry

llex glabra

Myrtle Holly

llex myrtifolia **American Holly**

llex opaca opaca

Tread-softly; Spurge-

nettle

Cnidoscolus stimulosus **Eastern Flowering Spurge**

Euphorbia corollata

Queen's-delight Stillingia sylvatica

sylvatica Muscadine; Scuppernong

Vitis rotundifolia rotundifolia

Drumheads

Polygala cruciata Tall Pinebarren Milkwort

Polygala cymosa

Showy Milkwort Polygala grandiflora grandiflora

Orange Milkwort Polygala lutea

Red Maple

Acer rubrum Winged Sumac

Rhus copallinum

Florida Bay, **Francis Marion** National Forest, Berkeley Co., SC, July 26, 2008 (continued)

Poison Oak

Toxicodendron pubescens

Centella; Coinleaf Centella erecta

Rattlesnake-master Eryngium yuccifolium Virginia Bartonia

* Bartonia virginica

Sabatia

Sabatia difformis

Clasping Milkweed

Asclepias amplexicaulis

Dawnflower

Stylisma patens

Virginia Marbleseed

Onosmodium virginianum

Polypremum

Polypremum procumbens

Hedge-hyssop * Gratiola viscidula

Lobelia

Lobelia boykinii

Lobelia

Lobelia nuttallii

Buttonweed

Diodia virginiana

Rayless-goldenrod

Bigelowia nudata nudata Sandhill Thistle

Cirsium repandum

Coreopsis

Coreopsis major

Fireweed

Erechtites hieraciifolius Common Roundleaf

Eupatorium Eupatorium rotundifolium

Beaked Hawkweed

Hieracium gronovii

Stiff-leaved Aster

Ionactis linariifolia

Blazing-star

Liatris squarrosa squarrosa

Grassleaf Barbara's**buttons**

Marshallia graminifolia

Grass-leaved Goldenaster

> Pityopsis aspera adenolepis

Marsh Fleabane

Pluchea baccharis

Blackroot

Pterocaulon pycnostachyum

Licorice Goldenrod

Solidago odora odora

American Aster

Symphyotrichum walteri Ironweed

Vernonia angustifolia

Old-man-of-the-woods Strobilomyces floccopus

FAUNA

White Micrathena (spider)

Micrathena mitrata **Funnel Web Spider**

Agelenopsis naevia

Green Lynx Spider Peucetia viridans

Meadow Katydid

Orchelimum erythrocephalum

Red-headed Bush Cricket

Phyllopalpus pulchellus

Flat Bug Aradus sp.

Froghopper

Prosapia bicincta

Bumblebee

Bombus impatiens

Two-striped Forceptail * Aphylla williamsonii

Halloween Pennant (dragonfly)

Celithemis eponina

Eastern Pondhawk

Erythemis simplicicollis

Seaside Dragonlet Erythrodiplax berenice

Citrine Forktail (damselfly)

Ischnura hastata E. Pinebarrens Tiger Beetle

Cicindela abdominalis

June Beetle

* Phyllophaga prununculina

Leaf Jewel Beetle

Brachys aerosus

Dermestid Beetle

Cryptorhopalum triste **Blister Beetle**

Epicauta sp.

Oval Leaf Beetles

Colaspis favosa Paria quadriguttata Paria sellata Graphops curtipennis **Broad-nosed Weevil**

Naupactus peregrinus

Eastern Tiger Swallowtail Papilio glaucus

Palamedes Swallowtail Papilio palamedes

Whirlabout (skipper butterfly)

Polites vibex

Pine Woods Treefrog Hyla femoralis

Green Anole; Carolina Anole

Anolis carolinensis

Six-lined Racerunner Aspidoscelis sexlineata

Northern Bobwhite (call)

Colinus virginianus

Red-headed Woodpecker Melanerpes

erythrocephalus Pileated Woodpecker(call)

Dryocopus pileatus **Brown-headed Nuthatch**

Sitta pusilla **Eastern Towhee**

Pipilo erythrophthalmus White-tailed Deer (tracks) Odocoileus virginianus

> Red Bluff Bay, **Francis Marion** National Forest, Berkeley Co., SC July 26, 2008

FLORA

Slash Pine

Pinus elliottii elliottii

Longleaf Pine

Pinus palustris

Loblolly Pine

Pinus taeda

Giant Yellow-eyed Grass Xyris fimbriata

Pipewort

Eriocaulon compressum

Flag

Iris tridentata

Turkey Oak

Quercus laevis Coppery St.-John's-wort Hypericum denticulatum

Peelbark St.-John's-wort Hypericum fasciculatum

Yellow Pitcherplant;

Trumpets

Sarracenia flava

Red Bluff Bay, **Francis Marion** National Forest, Berkeley Co., SC July 26, 2008 (continued)

Coastal Sweet Pepperbush

Clethra alnifolia

American Persimmon Diospyros virginiana

Shrubby Seedbox

Ludwigia suffruticosa

Myrtle Holly llex myrtifolia

Tread-softly; Spurgenettle

Cnidoscolus stimulosus

Southeastern Noseburn Tragia urens

Muscadine; Scuppernong Vitis rotundifolia

rotundifolia Tall Pinebarren Milkwort

Polygala cymosa **Poison Oak**

Toxicodendron pubescens

Centella; Coinleaf Centella erecta

Carolina Jessamine Gelsemium

sempervirens Virginia Bartonia

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Lobelia nuttallii

Sandhill Thistle

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Winged Sumac

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Rattlesnake-master

Eryngium yuccifolium

Bedstraw

Galium pilosum

Sandhill Thistle

Cirsium repandum

Blazing-star

Liatris squarrosa squarrosa

Blackroot

Pterocaulon

pycnostachyum

Ironweed

Vernonia angustifolia

Ramsey Creek Memorial Ecosystem, Oconee Co., SC, August 23, 2008

FLORA

Rattlesnake Fern; Sang-

find

Botrypus virginianus

Cinnamon Fern

Osmunda cinnamomea

Royal Fern

Osmunda regalis spectabilis

Bracken

Pteridium aquilinum

Broad Beech Fern

Phegopteris

hexagonoptera

New York Fern

Thelypteris

noveboracensis

Ebony Spleenwort

Asplenium platyneuron

Southern Lady Fern

Athyrium asplenioides

Sensitive Fern

Onoclea sensibilis sensibilis

Christmas Fern

Polystichum

acrostichoides

Shortleaf Pine

Pinus echinata

Eastern White Pine

Pinus strobus

Loblolly Pine

Pinus taeda

Virginia Pine; Scrub Pine

Pinus virginiana

Eastern Hemlock

Tsuga canadensis

Eastern Red Cedar

Juniperus virginiana virginiana

Jack-in-the-pulpit

Arisaema triphyllum

Common Dayflower

Commelina communis communis

Rush

Juncus coriaceus

Common Rush

Juncus effusus solutus

Clustered Beaksedge

Rhynchospora glomerata glomerata

Broomsedge

Andropogon virginicus

Giant Cane

Arundinaria gigantea

River Oats

Chasmanthium latifolium

Longleaf Spikegrass

Chasmanthium

sessiliflorum

Bosc's Witch Grass

Dichanthelium boscii

Wild-rye

Elymus virginicus

Flexible Sasa-grass

Microstegium vimineum

Beaked Panic Grass

Panicum anceps

American Bur-reed

Sparganium americanum

Indian Cucumber-root

Medeola virginiana

False Solomon's-seal

Maianthemum racemosum

racemosum Solomon's-seal

Polygonatum biflorum

Catesby's Trillium

Trillium catesbaei

Curlyleaf Yucca

Yucca filamentosa

Cathrier

Smilax bona-nox

Whiteleaf Greenbrier

Smilax glauca **Common Carrionflower**

Smilax herbacea

Common Greenbrier

Smilax rotundifolia Common Wild Yam

Dioscorea villosa

Downy Rattlesnake-orchid

Goodyera pubescens

Cranefly Orchid

Tipularia discolor

Tulip-tree

Liriodendron tulipifera

Cucumber-tree

Magnolia acuminata

Fraser Magnolia

Magnolia fraseri

Small-flowered PawPaw

Asimina parviflora

Common Pawpaw

Asimina triloba **Smooth Sweet-shrub**

Calycanthus floridus glaucus

Sassafras

Sassafras albidum

Virginia Snakeroot

Endodeca serpentaria

Little Brown Jug

Hexastylis arifolia

Common Black-cohosh

Actaea racemosa

Sharp-lobed Hepatica

Anemone acutiloba

Round-lobed Hepatica

Anemone americana

Tall Anemone Anemone virginiana

virginiana Yellowroot

Xanthorhiza

simplicissima

Coralbeads

Cocculus carolinus

Bloodroot

Sanguinaria canadensis

Svcamore Platanus occidentalis

occidentalis Witch-hazel

Hamamelis virginiana

Sweet Gum

Liquidambar styraciflua **Dwarf Hackberry**

Celtis tenuifolia

Red Mulberry

Morus rubra

False-nettle Boehmeria cylindrica

Mockernut Hickory

Carya alba

Pignut Hickory

Carva glabra **Black Walnut**

Juglans nigra

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American Chestnut Castanea dentata Amer. x Eur. Chestnut hybrid * Castanea dentata x sativa **American Beech** Fagus grandifolia White Oak Quercus alba Scarlet Oak Quercus coccinea Southern Red Oak Quercus falcata Blackjack Oak Quercus marilandica marilandica Water Oak Quercus niara Willow Oak Quercus phellos Red Oak Quercus rubra Post Oak Quercus stellata Black Oak Quercus velutina Tag Alder Alnus serrulata River Birch Betula nigra **American Hornbeam** Carpinus caroliniana **American Hazelnut** Corylus americana **Arrowleaf Tearthumb** Persicaria sagittata **Swamp Smartweed** Persicaria setacea St. Andrew's Cross Hypericum hypericoides Dwarf St.-John's-wort Hypericum mutilum Passionflower; Maypops Passiflora incarnata Yellow Passionflower Passiflora lutea lutea **Spotted Wintergreen** Chimaphila maculata Mountain Laurel; Mountain Ivy Kalmia latifolia Mountain Doghobble Leucothoe fontanesiana Maleberry; He-huckleberry Lyonia ligustrina Sourwood Oxydendrum arboreum

Gorge Rhododendron: **Punctatum** Rhododendron minus Wild Azalea; Pinxterflower Rhododendron periclymenoides Sparkleberry Vaccinium arboreum Black Highbush Blueberry Vaccinium fuscatum Hillside Blueberry Vaccinium pallidum Deerberry Vaccinium stamineum Galax Galax urceolata **American Persimmon** Diospyros virginiana Silverbell Halesia tetraptera **Bigleaf Snowbell** Styrax grandifolius Horsesugar; Sweetleaf Symplocos tinctoria Whorled Loosestrife Lysimachia quadrifolia Climbing Hydrangea Decumaria barbara Hydrangea Hydrangea sp. Virginia-willow Itea virginica **American Alumroot** Heuchera americana **Downy Agrimony** Agrimonia pubescens **Downy Serviceberry** Amelanchier arborea **Smooth Serviceberry** Amelanchier laevis **Oneflower Hawthorn** Crataegus uniflora **Avens** Geum canadense Mountain Indian-physic Gillenia trifoliata

Wild Crab Apple Malus angustifolia Chickasaw Plum Prunus angustifolia angustifolia **Black Cherry** Prunus serotina serotina Carolina Rose Rosa carolina Blackberry: Raspberry Rubus sp.

Mimosa; Silktree Albizia julibrissin **Common Groundnut** Apios americana Honesty-weed; Rattleweed Baptisia tinctoria Eastern Redbud Cercis canadensis canadensis Common Partridge-pea Chamaecrista fasciculata fasciculata **Hoary Tick-trefoil**

* Desmodium canescens Naked Tick-trefoil Desmodium nudiflorum **Tick-trefoil**

Desmodium paniculatum paniculatum **Honey Locust**

Gleditsia triacanthos Kudzu

Pueraria montana lobata **Black Locust** Robinia pseudoacacia

Perennial Sand Bean Strophostyles umbellata Virginia Goat's-rue

Tephrosia virginiana Alternate-leaf Seedbox Ludwigia alternifolia Wingstem Water-primrose

Ludwigia decurrens Common Water-purslane Ludwigia palustris Common Evening-

primrose Oenothera biennis

Meadow-beauty Rhexia mariana

Alternate-leaf Dogwood Cornus alternifolia Silky Dogwood

Cornus amomum Flowering Dogwood Cornus florida

Blackgum Nyssa sylvatica

American Holly

Hearts-a-burstin'-with-love

Euonymus americanus **Mountain Holly** Ilex montana

llex opaca opaca **Eastern Flowering Spurge**

Euphorbia corollata **New Jersey Tea** Ceanothus americanus Carolina Buckthorn Frangula caroliniana Virginia-creeper Parthenocissus auinauefolia Muscadine; Scuppernong

Vitis rotundifolia rotundifolia Southern Sugar Maple

Acer floridanum **Chalk Maple**

Acer leucoderme **Red Maple**

Acer rubrum **Painted Buckeye**

Aesculus sylvatica Winged Sumac

Rhus copallinum **Smooth Sumac**

Rhus glabra Poison Oak

> Toxicodendron pubescens

Eastern Poison Ivy Toxicodendron radicans radicans

Wild Geranium Geranium maculatum **Spotted Touch-me-not**

Impatiens capensis

Devil's-walking-stick Aralia spinosa

Panax quinquefolius Queen-Anne's-lace Daucus carota

Ginseng

American Lovage Ligusticum canadense

Blue-stars Amsonia tabernaemontana

White Milkweed Asclepias variegata Carolina Spinypod

Matelea carolinensis

Virginia Marbleseed Onosmodium virginianum

Allegheny Monkey-flower Mimulus ringens ringens

Beautyberry; French-mulberry Callicarpa americana Northern Horsebalm Collinsonia canadensis

Virginia Bugleweed Lycopus virginicus

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Mountain-mint

Pycnanthemum incanum Pycnanthemum pycnanthemoides

Fringe-tree; Old Man's Beard

Chionanthus virginicus

White Ash; American Ash Fraxinus americana

Chinese Privet

Ligustrum sinense

Downy Oak-leach

Aureolaria virginica

Eastern Lousewort

Pedicularis canadensis

Carolina Wild-petunia
Ruellia caroliniensis

Cross-vine

Bignonia capreolata

Trumpet-creeper
Campsis radicans

Cardinal Flower

Lobelia cardinalis
Buttonbush

Cephalanthus occidentalis

Poorjoe

Diodia teres

Forest Bedstraw

Galium circaezans

Partridge-berry
Mitchella repens

Japanese Honeysuckle
Lonicera japonica

Common Elderberry

Sambucus canadensis Mapleleaf Viburnum

Viburnum acerifolium

Black Haw; Nannyberry Viburnum prunifolium

Southern Black Haw Viburnum rufidulum

Common Ragweed

Ambrosia artemisiifolia

Plantain Pussytoes
Antennaria plantaginifolia

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Pale Indian-plantain

Arnoglossum atriplicifolium Beggar-ticks

eggar-ticks Bidens sp.

Stiffleaf Coreopsis

Coreopsis major rigida

Leafy Elephant's-foot

Elephantopus carolinianus

Elephant's-foot

Elephantopus tomentosus

Common Dog-fennel
Eupatorium capillifolium

Hollow-stem Joe-pyeweed

Eutrochium fistulosum

Narrowleaf Sunflower

Helianthus angustifolius Forest Sunflower

Helianthus decapetalus

Small-headed Sunflower

Helianthus

microcephalus

Small-head Blazing-star
* Liatris microcephala

Common Wild Quinine

Parthenium integrifolium integrifolium

Grass-leaved Goldenaster

Pityopsis aspera adenolepis

Gall-of-the-earth

Prenanthes trifoliolata

Black-eyed Susan Rudbeckia hirta

Cutleaf Coneflower
Rudbeckia laciniata

Rosinweed

Silphium asteriscus dentatum * Silphium astericus latifolium

Silphium compositum

Bearsfoot; Leafcup

Smallanthus uvedalius
Curtis's Goldenrod

Solidago curtisii

Licorice Goldenrod

Solidago odora odora

Common Frostweed

Verbesina virginica virginica

Ironweed

Vernonia

noveboracensis

FAUNA

Crayfish

Cambarus sp.

Grass Spider

Agelenopsis sp.

Fishing Spider

Dolomedes sp.

Scorpion (adult with juveniles)

Centruroides sp.

Dog Tick

* Dermacenter variabilis

Olive-green Swamp Grasshopper

Paroxya clavuliger

Two-striped Mermiria Grasshopper

Mermiria bivittata

Autumn Yellow-winged Grasshopper

Arphia xanthoptera

Carolina Locust

Dissosteira carolina

Sand Grasshopper
Spharagemon sp.

Two-striped Grasshopper Melanoplus bivittatus

Spur-throated Grasshopper

Melanoplus sp.

Rapier Meadow Katydid Conocephalus strictus

Flat Stink Bug Brochymena sp.

Water-strider

Gerris sp.

Dobsonfly (juvenile)

Corydalis cornutus

Common Eastern

Velvet Ant

Dasymutilla occidentalis occidentalis

Black Carpenter Ant Camponotus

pennsylvanicus

Pipe-organ Wasp (nest)
Trypoxylon politum

Large Carpenter Bee Xylocopa virginica

virginica
Ebony Jewelwing
Calopteryx maculata

Calopteryx maculate Bronzed Tiger Beetle

Cicindela repanda repanda

Whirligig Beetle
Dineutus discolor

Dermestid Beetle Cryptorhopalum sp.

White-fringed Beetle Naupactus leucoloma

Eastern Tiger Swallowtail Papilio glaucus

Spicebush Swallowtail
Papilio troilus

Cloudless Sulphur

Phoebis sennae eubule

Variegated Fritillary

Euptoieta claudia

Great Spangled Fritillary
Speyeria cybele

Pearl Crescent (butterfly)
Phyciodes tharos

Carolina Satyr (butterfly)
Hermeuptychia sosybius

Box Turtle (shell)
Terrapene carolina

Eastern Fence Lizard

Sceloporus undulatus Black Racer; Eastern

Racer

Coluber constrictor

Great Blue Heron

Ardea herodias

Red-shouldered Hawk

Buteo lineatus Red-tailed Hawk

Buteo jamaicensis Ruby-throated

Hummingbird Archilochus colubris

Downy Woodpecker

Picoides pubescens
Eastern Phoebe (nest)

Sayornis phoebe
Tufted Titmouse

Parus bicolor
Carolina Chickadee

Parus carolinensis

Carolina Wren
Thrvothorus Iudovicianus

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
Polioptila caerulea

Eastern Bluebird

Sialia sialis
Gray Catbird

Dumetella carolinensis

Blue-headed Vireo Vireo solitarius

Northern Cardinal

Cardinalis cardinalis
Eastern Chipmunk

Tamias striatus Beaver (dam)

Castor canadensis

Raccoon (scat)
Procyon lotor

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