

# EASTERN LAKE ONTARIO SAND DUNES: AN OVERVIEW OF THEIR FLORA

## FLORA FIELD CHECKLIST

This checklist includes some of flora that are known or suspected to inhabit our Lake Ontario dunes.

	COMMUNITIES			
	1	2	3	4
<b>TREES</b>				
Ash, green			O	A
Beech, American			O	
Cherry, pin (fire)		R		
Cherry, black		O	O	O
Cottonwood, eastern	A	A		
Maple, sugar			O	
Maple, striped			O	
Maple, red			A	A
Oak, northern red		O	A	R
Poplar, lombardy	R	R		
Poplar, balsam	R	R		
Willow, hybrid	R	O		O

### KEY

#### Communities:

- 1 - American beachgrass
- 2 - Poison ivy-dune grape-cottonwood
- 3 - Red maple-red oak forest
- 4 - Alder thicket

#### Abundance categories:

- A - abundant
- O - occasional
- R - rare

<b>SHRUBS</b>				
Alder, speckled (hazel)				A
Arrowwood			O	
Blackberry		R	A	O
Buckthorn, European		O	O	
Cherry, choke		A	A	O
Cherry, sand	R	R		
Dogwood, silky	R			O
Nannyberry			O	O
Raspberry, red		A	A	O
Shadbush		O		
Willow, sand-dune (heart-leaf)	O	O		
Winterberry			A	O

<b>VINES</b>				
Grape, riverbank (dune)	R	A	O	O
Greenbrier, bristly			O	O
Poison ivy	R	A	O	R

<b>FERNS AND FERN ALLIES</b>				
Horsetail, field	R	O		O
Horsetail, shore	R	O		
Sensitive fern			O	O

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<b>WILD FLOWERS</b>				
Bedstraw, sweet-scented				O
Beggar ticks	O			O
Bindweed, fringed			A	
Blue flag, larger				R
Bouncing bet		A	O	
Bugleweed, Virginia	R			O
Clotbur, beach	O			
Evening primrose, common	O	O		
Fleabane, daisy		O		
Goldenrod, blue-stern		O	A	O
Goldenrod, Canada		A	O	R
Goldenrod, gray		A		
Goldenrod, late		O	O	A
Goldenrod, rough-stemmed				A
Iris, yellow				R
Knapweed, spotted		A		
Lady's tresses, nodding		R		
Mayflower, Canada		O	A	O
Milkweed, common	R	O		
Pea, beach	O			
Sandwart, blunt-leaved		O	A	O
Sarsaparilla, wild			A	
Sea rocket	R			
Silverweed	O			O
Solomon's seal, star-flowered false	O	A	O	
Sorrel, sheep		A		
Spurge, seaside	O			
Touch-me-not, spotted				O
Wormwood, tall	A	A		
Yarrow	O	O	R	

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<b>GRASSES &amp; GRASS-LIKE PLANTS</b>				
Beachgrass, American	A	A		
Bluegrass, Canada		A	O	R
Bluegrass, Kentucky		O		
Fescue, sheep		A		
Hairgrass, common			O	
Mannagrass, fowl				A
Reed canary-grass				A
Rush, Baltic	R	A		O
Wild-rye, Canada	O	O		

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