

Washington Flora Checklist

A checklist of the Vascular Plants of Washington State Hosted by the University of Washington Herbarium

Family: Linaceae

4 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synonymy at the rank of genus and below follows the [2nd Edition of the Flora of the Pacific Northwest](#) except where superceded by new information.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 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

Linum [HC, HC2]

flax

(see also *Sclerolinon*)

Linum lewisii Pursh [HC2]

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

wild blue flax

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

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 perenne* L. [HC, HC2]

Sp. Pl. 1: 277. 1753.

blue garden flax

(see also *Linum lewisii*)

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

**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]