

**NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION
Wetlands Conservation Plan / Culturally Significant
Wetlands Plant Species**

SCIENTIFIC NAME	
1. June/Service Berry	<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>
2. Red Osier Dogwood	<i>Cornus stolonifera</i>
3. Common Spike Rush	<i>Eleocharis palustris</i>
4. Horsetail / Field	<i>Equisetum arvense</i>
5. Wild Licorice / American	<i>Glycyrrhiza lepidota</i>
6. Goose Berry, Red Shoot	<i>Ribes setosum</i>
7. Mint / Field	<i>Mentha arvensis</i>
8. Horsemint / W. Bergamot	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>
9. Water Plant / Water Cress	<i>Nasturtium officinale</i>
10. Sweet Medicine	<i>Oxypolis (lambertii)</i>
11. ChokeCherry	<i>Prunus virginiana</i>
12. Cottonwood, G. Plains	<i>Populus deltoides</i>
13. Box Elder	<i>Acer negundo</i>
14. Green Ash	<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>
15. Sand Bar Willow	<i>Salix exigua</i>
16. Snow Berry	<i>Symphoricarpos occidentalis</i>
17. Cattails	<i>Typha latifolia</i>
18. Wild Plum	<i>Prunus americana</i>
19. Sweet Grass	<i>Hierochloe odorata</i>
20. Quaking Aspen	<i>Populus tremuloides</i>
21. Saw Beak Sedge	<i>Carex stipata</i>
22. Leafy Aster	<i>Aster foliaceus</i>
23. Stinging Nettle	<i>Urtica dioica</i>
24. Bulrush	<i>Scirpus nevadensis</i>
25. Arrow Leaf	<i>Sagittaria latifolia</i>
26. Golden Currant	<i>Ribes aureum</i>
27. SkunkBush Sumac	<i>Rhus Tribobata</i>
28. MilkWeed, Showy	<i>Asclepias speciosa</i>
29. Western Yarrow	<i>Achillea millefolium</i>
30. Raspberry, Red	<i>Rubus idaeus</i>
31. Rose Bush	<i>Rosa arkansana</i>

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Culturally Significant Wetland Plants

Based upon work done by William Tallbull, Assistant Professor of History-Dull Knife Memorial College, and Chairman of the Northern Cheyenne Cultural Commission

in the late 1970's and early 1980's, it is possible to isolate wetland plants that are of cultural significance for the Northern Cheyenne.

Tallbulls, *Plant Lore of the Northern Cheyenne*, outlines those plants found on the Northern Cheyenne Reservation that have historically provided medicinal or food value to Northern Cheyennes. Utilizing an ethno-botanical approach, a list of plants was accumulated through personal interviews with elders that are of significant cultural value. A proportion of these plants are hydrophytic, and therefore are located within wetland or riparian habitats.

Cross-referencing *Plant Lore of the Northern Cheyenne* with *Classification and Management of Montana's Riparian and Wetland Sites* and the *National List of Plant Species that occur in Wetlands*, produced the following list of Wetland Flora that are Culturally Significant to the Northern Cheyenne.