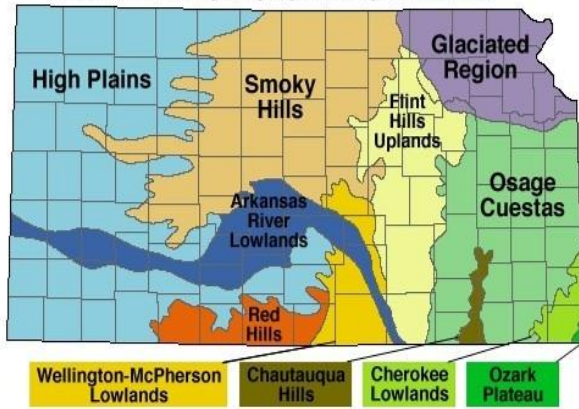


Generalized Physiographic Map of Kansas



Map courtesy of the Kansas Geological Survey

Region	Native Vegetation
Ozark Plateau	Oak-hickory mixed forest
Cherokee Lowlands	Tallgrass prairie and oak-hickory woodland.
Chautauqua Hills	Cross timbers savanna
Osage Cuestas	Mostly tallgrass prairie in the west to a combination of tallgrass prairie and oak-hickory woodland in the east.
Glaciated	Tallgrass prairie, scattered oak-hickory forests, and floodplain forests.
Flint Hills	Tallgrass prairie
Wellington-McPherson Lowlands	Tallgrass prairie and flood plain forests.
Smoky Hills	Transitional from tallgrass prairie in the East to mixed-grass prairie in the west. Some floodplain forests.
Arkansas River Lowlands	Sand prairie, sandsage prairie in the far west.
Red Hills	Mixed-grass prairie and sandsage prairie. Some floodplain forests.
High Plains	Mixed-grass prairie in the north. Sandsage prairie in the south in coarse textured soils. Shortgrass prairie in the south.

Reference: Chapman, S.S, et al., 2001. Ecoregions of Nebraska and Kansas (color poster with map, descriptive text, summary tables, and photographs) Reston, VA, U.S. Geological Survey.

Learn about the diversity of Kansas Native Plants

The Kansas Native Plant Society (KNPS) provides many opportunities to learn more about our native plants, their habitats, and how to protect them.

The state's varied landscape supports nearly 1,700 native species of flowering plants and ferns and roughly 400 alien species that have naturalized. Kansas spans most of the width of the grasslands that blanket the plains of central North America, and prairies are the hallmark of the state's natural heritage. Ranging from tallgrass in the east to shortgrass in the west, each prairie type is home to a unique set of species. Scattered across the state are marshes, forested bluffs, dry woodlands, glades, rocky uplands, chalk breaks, glaciated hills, and many other habitats, each contributing to the diversity of the flora. Wildflowers produce a kaleidoscope of colors and forms as they bloom and fruit in our prairies, forests, wetlands, and gardens. A visit to any region, no matter the season, is sure to reward the visitor with some memorable discoveries.

Wildflower of the Year

To increase public awareness of our native Kansas flora, the Kansas Native Plant Society annually selects and promotes a native plant as Wildflower of the Year.



Join Kansas Native Plant Society

- Established in 1978, Kansas Native Plant Society was originally called the Kansas Wildflower Society
- KNPS is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization.
- KNPS does not share our membership information with other organizations.
- Renewal memberships run January to December.
- New memberships are effective from the date of joining through December of the following year.

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	Family	\$30
	Organization	\$35
	Contributing	\$100
	Lifetime	\$500
	Other	\$ _____

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Tallgrass Prairie in Kansas

Approximately four percent of our nation's original tallgrass prairie remains intact, and ninety-five percent of this prairie is in Kansas. Whether in vast acreages in the Flint Hills or small roadside remnants in the Glaciated Region, Kansans have an extraordinary opportunity as stewards of these vestiges of our natural heritage. Remnant prairies protect ecological diversity and provide habitat for increasingly rare species. They are also valuable blueprints for future prairie restoration efforts.



White Beardtongue
Penstemon albidus
Comanche County

KNPS Membership Benefits

- Quarterly Newsletter
- Field Trips (enjoy plants in their natural habitats)
- Extensive Website, www.ksnps.org
- Education (identification, ecology, landscaping)
- Information (natural areas, propagation, restoration)
- Listserv (electronic mailing list)
- Volunteer Opportunities

Board Meetings / Group Outings:

The KNPS Board of Directors meets three times each year, usually in in January, Spring/Summer and Fall. Members are welcome to attend the outings planned in conjunction with Board Meetings when we can explore native plant communities, local cultural and historical places and gather for dining and socializing.

Annual Wildflower Weekend (AWW):

KNPS organizes a three-day weekend in late summer to early fall for Members to botanize on public and private properties, conduct the Annual Membership Meeting, vote on Board Members, hear a Featured Speaker, see results of the Annual Photo Contest, and to see these awards being given:

- Mary A. Bancroft Memorial Scholarship
- Sheldon and Virginia Cohen Memorial Award for Service to KNPS
- Stephen Timme Excellence in Botany Award
- Rachel Snyder Memorial Landscape Award

Members receive a printed invitation to the AWW.

Social Media:

KNPS hosts a Statewide Facebook Page where information is posted about native plant sales, notices of walks and educational events, news articles about native plants and other information of interest.

KNPS hosts a Plant Identification Group on Facebook where ID requests can be made, or known plants are highlighted.

Website:

The KNPS website has information about the Wildflower of the Year, Eco Regions in Kansas, a native plant image Gallery, Events Calendar listing for walks, plant sales, and educational events around the state of Kansas. The Annual Wildflower Weekend Itinerary is made available on the website.

Plant A Prairie Program:

June and Gary Kliesen provided funding for a program to provide native plant gardens to school children. The Application and information is on the website and is due in the Spring – gardens and materials are shipped to schools in September.

Outings and Events:

We recommend sturdy footwear, long pants, a hat, insect repellent, sunscreen, your camera and water!



Kansas Native Plant Society

The mission of the Kansas Native Plant Society is to encourage awareness and appreciation of the native plants of Kansas in their habitats and in our landscapes by promoting education, stewardship, and scientific knowledge.



Coronado Heights
Smoky Hills

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