

Table Y2. Rare Plants of the Rensselaer Plateau. A brief description of how these were identified

Figure Y2. County, State, and Globally Rare Plants known from the Rensselaer Plateau

Common Name	Scientific Name	Rarity Status	Distribution on Plateau	County Distribution	Regional Distribution	Conservation Guide Available from guides.nynhp.org
Algae-Like Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton confervoides</i>	State Rare		PEN	RAD	N
American Bittersweet	<i>Celastrus scandens</i>	State Rare		PPR	RCE?	N
American Waterwort	<i>Elatine americana</i>	State Rare		PCW	R-	Y
Ampulla Dung Moss	<i>Splachnum ampullaceum</i>	State Rare		PEN	RAD	N
Anderson's Peat Moss	<i>Sphagnum andersonianum</i>	Globally Rare		PEN	RAD	N
Angerman's Peat Moss	<i>Sphagnum angermanicum</i>	Globally Rare		PPR	RCD	N
Balsam Poplar	<i>Populus balsamifera</i>	County Rare		PCW	RAD	
Barren Strawberry	<i>Waldsteinia fragarioides</i>	County Rare		PPR	R-	
Bearded Shorthusk	<i>Brachyletrum erectum</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Bent Sedge	<i>Carex styloflexa</i>	State Rare		PCW	RCD	Y
Big-Leaved Orchid	<i>Platanthera obtusata</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Black Gum	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Bog Aster	<i>Oclemena nemoralis</i>	State Rare		PEN	RAD	N
Bog Buckbean	<i>Menyanthes trifoliata</i> var. <i>minor</i>	County Rare		PEP	R-	
Bog Rush	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	County Rare		PEP	R-	
Branching Bur-Reed	<i>Sparganium androcladum</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
Bright Green Spikerush	<i>Eleocharis flavescens</i>	County Rare		PEP	R-	
brook moss	<i>Hygrohypnum molle</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
broom moss	<i>Dicranum bonjeanii</i>	County Rare	Historic	P?	R-	
broom moss	<i>Dicranum spurium</i>	County Rare	Historic	P?	R-	
Butterfly Weed	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> var. <i>interior</i>	County Rare		PPR	R-	
Butternut	<i>Juglans cinerea</i>	State Rare		PPR	RME	N
Climbing Fumatory	<i>Adlumia fungosa</i>	County Rare		PEN	RCE	
Closed Blue Gentain	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Clubrush	<i>Scirpus subterminalis</i>	County Rare		PEP	RAD	
Common Down Liverwort	<i>Trichocolea tomentella</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Common Wood-Coat Moss	<i>Drummondia prorepens</i>	State Rare	Historic	P?	R-	N
Cone-Spur Bladderwort	<i>Utricularia gibba</i>	County Rare		PEP	RAD	
Cornel-Leaved Aster	<i>Aster puniceus</i> var. <i>firmus</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
cushion moss	<i>Leucobryum albidum</i>	County Rare		P?	RCD	

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Cyperus-Like Sedge	<i>Carex pseudo-cyperus</i>	County Rare		P?	RME?	
Daisy-Leaf Grape-Fern	<i>Botrychium matricariifolium</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Dragonsmouth Orchid	<i>Arethusa bulbosa</i>	State Rare	Historic	PEP	R-	Y
Drooping Wood Sedge	<i>Carex arctata</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Dwarf Mistletoe	<i>Arceuthobium pusillum</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Dwarf Rattlesnake-Plantain	<i>Goodyera repens</i>	County Rare		PCW	RAD?	
Early Blue Violet	<i>Viola palmata</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Engelmann's Quillwort	<i>Isoetes engelmannii</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
extinguisher moss	<i>Encalypta ciliata</i>	County Rare	Historic	P?	RAD?	
Farwell's Milfoil	<i>Myriophyllum farwellii</i>	State Rare		PEN	RAD	Y
Few-Flowered Sedge	<i>Carex pauciflora</i>	County Rare	Historic	PEN	RAD	
Few-Haired Moss	<i>Homalotheciella subcapillata</i>	State Rare	Historic	P?	R-	N
Fireweed	<i>Epilobium angustifolium</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Floating-Heart	<i>Nymphoides cordata</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Forked Chickweed	<i>Paronychia</i> sp.	County Rare		P?PR	RCE?	
Four-Leaf Milkweed	<i>Asclepias quadrifolia</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Georgia Bulrush	<i>Scirpus georgianus</i>	State Rare		P?	RCD?	Y
Ginseng	<i>Panax quinquefolium</i>	Globally Rare		PPR	RME?	N
Glade Fern	<i>Diplazium pycnocarpon</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Grass Moss	<i>Brachythecium digastrum</i>	State Rare		P?	RCD?	N
Grass Pink	<i>Calopogon tuberosus</i>	County Rare		PEP	R-	
Grass-Leaf Arrowhead	<i>Sagittaria graminea</i>	County Rare		PEP	R-	
Great Spurred Violet	<i>Viola selkirkii</i>	County Rare		PCW	RME	
Green Adder's-Mouth	<i>Malaxis unifolia</i>	County Rare		PEP	R-	
Green Dragon	<i>Arisaema dracontium</i>	County Rare		P?PR	R?	
Hairy Bush Clover	<i>Lespedeza hirta</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Hare's-Tail	<i>Eriophorum vaginatum</i> var. <i>spissum</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Hatpins	<i>Eriocaulon aquaticum</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Hay Sedge	<i>Carex argyrantha</i>	County Rare		PEP	RCE	
Hiddenfruit Bladderwort	<i>Utricularia geminiscapa</i>	State Rare		PEN	RAD	N
Illinois Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton illinoensis</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	

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Kidney-Leaved Violet	<i>Viola renifolia</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Lance-Leaf Grape-Fern	<i>Botrychium lanceolatum</i> var. <i>angustisegmentum</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Large Purple Fringed Orchid	<i>Platanthera grandiflora</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Large Round-Leaf Orchid	<i>Platanthera macrophylla</i>	County Rare		PEP	RAD	
Large-Leaf Aster	<i>Aster schreberi</i>	County Rare		PCW	RME	
Leafy Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton foliosus</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
Leatherwood	<i>Dirca palustris</i>	County Rare		PPR	RME	
liverwort	<i>Asterella tenella</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
liverwort	<i>Cephaloziella rubella</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
liverwort	<i>Lejeunea lamacerina</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
liverwort	<i>Leucolejeunea clypeata</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
Long-Stalked Sedge	<i>Carex pedunculata</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Mermaid-Weed	<i>Proserpinaca palustris</i>	County Rare		PEP	RCE	
Michaux's Blue-Eyed Grass	<i>Sisyrinchium mucronatum</i>	State Rare	Historic	P?	RCE?	Y
Milfoil Bladderwort	<i>Utricularia intermedia</i>	County Rare		PCW	RAD	
Mockernut Hickory	<i>Carya tomentosa</i>	County Rare		P?PR	RCE	
Montane Blue-Eyed Grass	<i>Sisyrinchium montanum</i> var. <i>crebrum</i>	State Rare		P?	RCE	N
moss	<i>Ctenidium molluscum</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
moss	<i>Dichodontium pellucidum</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
moss	<i>Isopterygiopsis muelleriana</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
moss	<i>Leptodictyum humile</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
moss	<i>Polytrichastrum alpinum</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
moss	<i>Pseudotaxiphyllum elegans</i>	County Rare		PPR	R-	
moss	<i>Pylaisiadelpha tenuirostris</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
moss	<i>Thamnobryum alleghaniense</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
moss	<i>Ctenidium malacodes</i>	County Rare		P?EP	R?	
moss	<i>Schistostega pennata</i>	County Rare	Historic	P?	RAD?	
Mountain Juneberry	<i>Amelanchier bartramiana</i>	County Rare		P?	RAD	
Mountain Ricegrass	<i>Oryzopsis racemosa</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Narrow-Leaf Spring-Beauty	<i>Claytonia virginica</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Narrow-Leafed Bur-Reed	<i>Sparganium angustifolium</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	

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Narrow-Leaved Closed Gentian	<i>Gentiana linearis</i>	County Rare		P?	RAD?	
Nodding Trillium	<i>Trillium cernuum</i>	State Rare		P?PR	RME?	N
Northern Bog Violet	<i>Viola nephrophylla</i>	State Rare	Historic	PEN	RAD	Y
Northern Green Orchid	<i>Platanthera hyperborea</i>	County Rare		P?CW	R-	
Northern Panic Grass	<i>Dichanthelium boreale</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Northern Poison Oak	<i>Toxicodendron rydbergii</i>	State Rare		PEN	RAD	N
Northern White Cedar	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	County Rare		P?PR	RAD	
Northern Yellow-Eyed Grass	<i>Xyris montana</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Obedient Plant	<i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
One-Sided Wintergreen	<i>Orthilia secunda</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Pale Coral-Root	<i>Corallorhiza trifida</i>	County Rare		PEN	R-	
Pale Peat Moss	<i>Sphagnum subfulvum</i>	State Rare		PEN	RAD	N
peat moss	<i>Sphagnum bartlettianum</i>	County Rare		PEN	RCD	
peat moss	<i>Sphagnum compactum</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
peat moss	<i>Sphagnum flavicomans</i>	County Rare		PEN	RCD	
peat moss	<i>Sphagnum riparium</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
peat moss	<i>Sphagnum warnstorffii</i>	County Rare		PPR	RAD?	
Pinkster Flower	<i>Rhododendron periclymenoides</i>	County Rare		PCW	RCE	
Pod-Grass	<i>Scheuchzaria palustris</i>	State Rare	Historic	PEN	RAD	Y
Poke Milkweed	<i>Asclepias exaltata</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Prickly Ash	<i>Zanthoxylum americanum</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Purple Bladderwort	<i>Utricularia purpurea</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Purple Virgin's Bower	<i>Clematis occidentalis</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Ragged Fringed Orchid	<i>Platanthera lacera</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Reclined Bladderwort	<i>Utricularia resupinata</i>	County Rare		P?	RAD?	
Red Pine	<i>Pinus resinosa</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Rhodora	<i>Rhododendron canadense</i>	State Rare		PEP	R-	Y
Robbin's Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton robbinsii</i>	County Rare		PCW	RAD	
Rock Spikemoss	<i>Selaginella rupestris</i>	County Rare		PCW	RCE	
Round-Leaved Orchid	<i>Platanthera orbiculata</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Round-Spiked Brownish Sedge	<i>Carex brunnescens</i> var. <i>sphaerostachya</i>	County Rare		PCW	RME?	

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Sand Blackberry	<i>Rubus arundelanus</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Sharp-Scaled Mannagrass	<i>Glyceria acutiflora</i>	County Rare		P?	RCE	
Sheathed Pondweed	<i>Stuckenia filiformis</i>	State Rare		P?	R?	N
Showy Orchid	<i>Galearis spectabilis</i>	County Rare		PPR	R-	
Slender Cottongrass	<i>Eriophorum gracile</i>	County Rare	Historic	PEN	RAD	
Slender Knotweed	<i>Polygonum tenue</i>	State Rare		PPR	RCE	N
Slender Water Milfoil	<i>Myriophyllum tenellum</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Slender Wheatgrass	<i>Elymus trachycaulus</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Slender Willow	<i>Salix petiolaris</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Slender Yellow Wood Sorrel	<i>Oxalis dillenii</i> ssp. <i>filipes</i>	County Rare		PCW	RCE	
Small Beggar-Ticks	<i>Bidens discoidea</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Small Bristle Moss	<i>Orthotrichum pusillum</i>	State Rare	Historic	P?	RME	N
Small Bur-reed	<i>Sparganium natans</i>	State Rare		P?	RAD?	Y
Small Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton pusillus</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Small Purple-Fringed Orchid	<i>Platanthera psycodes</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Smooth Winterberry	<i>Ilex laevigata</i>	County Rare		PCW	RCE	
Southern Wild Rice	<i>Zizania aquatica</i>	County Rare		P?PR	RCE?	
Spotted Coralroot	<i>Corallorhiza maculata</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Spotted Wintergreen	<i>Chimaphila maculata</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Squawroot	<i>Conopholis americana</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Sterile Sedge	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	County Rare		PPR	RME	
Straight-Leaf Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton strictifolius</i>	State Rare		P?	R?	Y
Summer Sedge	<i>Carex aestivalis</i>	County Rare		PCW	RME	
Thin-Leaved Cottongrass	<i>Eriophorum viridi-carinatum</i>	County Rare		PPR	R-	
thread moss	<i>Bryum flaccidum</i>	County Rare		P?	R?	
Trumpet Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	County Rare		PCW	RCE	
Tuckerman's Sedge	<i>Carex tuckermannii</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Tufted Loosestrife	<i>Lysimachia thyrsiflora</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Tulip Tree	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Twinflower	<i>Linnaea borealis</i> ssp. <i>longiflora</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Two-Cupped Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton bicupulatus</i>	County Rare		PEP	RAD	

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Two-Ranked Moss	<i>Pseudotaxiphyllum distichaceum</i>	State Rare		P?	R-	Y
Umbel-Like Sedge	<i>Carex umbellata</i>	County Rare		PPR	R-	
Variable Panic Grass	<i>Panicum commutatum</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Venus' Looking Glass	<i>Triodanis perfoliata</i> var. <i>perfoliata</i>	County Rare		PCW	RCE	
Walking Fern	<i>Asplenium rhizophyllum</i>	County Rare		PPR	R-	
Water Lobelia	<i>Lobelia dortmanna</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
Water Marigold	<i>Bidens beckii</i>	State Rare	Historic	PEP	R-	N
Water Pocket Moss	<i>Fissidens fontanus</i>	State Rare		PCW	R-	N
Water-Thread Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton diversifolius</i>	State Rare		P?	R?	Y
Wavy-Leaf Aster	<i>Aster undulatus</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Waxy Meadow-Rue	<i>Thalictrum revolutum</i>	County Rare		PCW	RCE?	
White Bear Sedge	<i>Carex albursina</i>	County Rare		P?	RME	
White Bog-Orchid	<i>Platanthera dilatata</i>	County Rare		PEN	RAD	
White Fringed Orchid	<i>Platanthera blephariglottis</i>	County Rare		PEP	R-	
White Mandarin	<i>Streptopus amplexicaulis</i>	County Rare		P?	RAD	
White Water Crowfoot	<i>Ranunculus trichophyllus</i>	County Rare		P?	R-	
Wild Indigo	<i>Baptisia tinctoria</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Wood Betony	<i>Pedicularis canadensis</i>	County Rare		PCW	R-	
Wood Clubrush	<i>Scirpus verecundus</i>	County Rare		PPR	RCE	
Wood Lily	<i>Lilium philadelphicum</i>	County Rare		P?	RCE	
Woodland Rush	<i>Juncus subcaudatus</i>	State Rare		P?	RCE	Y