Wildflower Hunt

Spring is the time for wildflowers to emerge.

See which flowers you can find. Send us your photos. We would love to see what you found and at which Knox County Park District park. Let us know what other ones you see.



<u>**Trillium</u>** – A large flower is pollinated by honey bees, bumblebees, and wasps.</u>



Hepatica - herbalists thought the leaves resembled the liver and used it to treat liver ailments. The seeds are dispersed by ants.



Dutchman's breeches -The inflorescence looks like a pink clothesline hung with several pairs of white pantaloons.



May apple - The scientific name, *Podophyllum*, is translated to "foot leaf" and may refer to its vaguely duckfoot shaped leaves.



Violet - Violets typically have heart-shaped leaves. Flower contains both male and female reproductive organs.



Spring beauty -A very important native plant for bees, as it is one of the earliest nectar sources. Spring beauties have pink pollen.



Trout Lily - The plant takes many years to flower and the flowering plant will have two leaves. Non-flowering plants have only one leaf.



Skunk Cabbage - has the ability to produce heat. This allows it to emerge and bloom even when the ground is still frozen.

Take part in our April Challenge by visiting the Knox County Parks and Trails and locating these Ohio spring wildflowers emerging from their winter sleep. Snap a picture of what you see and tag the photo on Facebook and Instagram with the **#knoxcountyparkswildflowerch allenge** Be sure to include the park name as well. Win a free Park District backpack and wildflower guide!

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