



Wild onion

Allium textile (Onion family)
Small mall white flowers in cluster on nodding stalk



Sidebells penstemon

Penstemon secundiflorus (Plantain family) native.
Common Penstemon with flowers on one side of the stalk



Blanketflower

Gaillardia aristata (Sunflower family) native.
These make bright spots in the prairie, and have a long blooming season



Fuzzytongue

Penstamon

Penstemon eriantherus (Plantain family) native.
Lovely Penstemon found in northern Colorado

Soapstone Prairie Plants Early June



Blue flax

Linum lewisii (Flax family) native.
Generally only one flower opens on a stem per day, then quickly withers and drops.



Whiskbroom parsley

Harbouria trachypleura (Carrot family) native.

These make bright spots of color early in the season. The leaves are finely divided and look whiskbroom-like



Two grooved milkvetch

Astragalus bisulcatus (Pea family) native. Along roadside (look south of gatehouse). Not abundant this year. Also a white variety



Wallflower

Erysimum capitatum (Mustard family) native.

Used medicinally in a variety of ways by Native Americans.



Calcareous cryptantha

Oreocarya thysiflora (Borage family) native.



Common, sturdy plants that bloom almost all summer. Each small white flower is like a gem set among foliage with long, stiff white hairs that give the plant a grayish-green color.