



Wild onion

Allium textile (Lily family) native.
Bulb has onion odor. The epithet *textile* comes from fibers around the bulb.
Common in spring and early summer.



Narrow-leaf puccoon

Lithospermum incisum (Borage family) native.
Native Americans used various parts medicinally, and made beads of the seeds. A blue dye can be made from the roots



Blue flax

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



Drummond's milkvetch

Astragalus drummondii (Pea family) native.
Leaves so hairy they appear gray.

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Whiskbroom parsley

Harbouria trachypleura (carrot family) native.
These are bright spots in open places in late spring, early summer



Nuttall's Larkspur

Delphinium nuttallianum (Buttercup family) native.

These small dark blue larkspurs are so small they are easy to miss. Toxic to cattle, but not to sheep or wildlife.



Calcareous cryptantha

Oreocarya thyrsoiflora (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.



Meadow deathcamas

Zigadenus paniculatus (Lily family) native. Leaves and bulb look very much like wild onion, but this lacks onion smell. **POISONOUS**



Wallflower

Erysimum capitatum (Mustard family) native.

Used medicinally in a variety of ways by Native Americans.