

# prairie cinquefoil

## *Drymocallis arguta*

Kingdom: Plantae  
Division: Magnoliophyta  
Class: Magnoliopsida  
Order: Rosales  
Family: Rosaceae

### ILLINOIS STATUS

common, native

### FEATURES

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### ILLINOIS RANGE



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### **Aquatic Habitats**

none

### **Woodland Habitats**

upland deciduous forests

### **Prairie and Edge Habitats**

black soil prairie; gravel prairie; sand prairie