

sharp-lobed hepatica *Hepatica acutiloba*

Kingdom: Plantae

Division/Phylum: Magnoliophyta

Class: Magnoliopsida

Order: Ranunculales

Family: Ranunculaceae

ILLINOIS STATUS common, native

FEATURES

The basal leaves produced by this plant may be green, brown, red-brown or green-brown. Each leaf has three lobes, and each lobe has a sharp point. The plant grows to a height of four to nine inches. The leaf and flower stalks are hairy. Flower color varies and may be pink, purple, blue or white. There are six to 10 sepals present per flower. Pollinators are attracted to the flowers.

BEHAVIORS

Sharp-lobed hepatica is a wildflower that grows in rich woodlands throughout Illinois. It blooms from March through May.

HABITATS

Aquatic Habitats

none

Woodland Habitats

upland deciduous forests

Prairie and Edge Habitats

none

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