

# Native Plants and Animals of the Bronx River Corridor

## NATIVE WILDLIFE:

American and least bittern	green heron	red-winged blackbird
blue-winged warbler	laughing gull	song sparrow
brown thrasher	limpkin	sparrow
bullfrog	mallard	swamp sparrow
common and hooded	marsh wren	tree frog
merganser	mourning and common	tufted Titmouse
common yellowthroat	ground dove	Virginia rail
double-crested cormorant	muskrat	willow flycatcher
Eastern chipmunk	mute swan	wood duck
Eastern cottontail	oriole	yellow and black-
grasshopper	painted turtle	crowned night-heron
great, snowy and little blue	red-bellied woodpecker	yellow warbler
egret	red-tailed hawk	

## SHRUBS:

Amelanchier canadensis	Shadblow
Aronia arbutifolia	Red chokeberry
Aronia melanocarpa	Black chokeberry
Ceanothus americanus	New Jersey tea
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush
Clethra alnifolia	Sweet pepperbush
Cornus amomum	Silky dogwood
Cornus racemosa	Red-panicled dogwood
Cornus sericea	Red-osier dogwood
Diervilla lonicera	Bush honeysuckle
Gaylussacia baccata	Black huckleberry
Kalmia angustifolia	Sheep laurel
Lindera benzoin	Spicebush
Llex glabra	Inkberry
Llex verticillata	Winterberry
Myrica pensylvanica	Northern bayberry
Rhododendron periclymenoides	Pinxter azalea
Rhododendron viscosum	Swamp azalea
Rhus copallinum	Shining sumac
Rhus glabra	Smooth sumac
Rhus typhina	Staghorn sumac
Rosa palustris	Swamp rose
Salix discolor	Pussy willow
Sambucus canadensis	Elderberry
Spiraea alba	Meadowsweet
Spiraea tomentosa	Hardhack
Vaccinium corymbosum	Highbush blueberry
Viburnum acerifolium	Mapleleaf viburnum
Viburnum dentatum	Arrowwood
Viburnum prunifolium	Blackhaw viburnum

TREES:

*Acer rubrum*  
*Acer saccharinum*  
*Amerlanchier arborea*  
*Betula lenta*  
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*Betula nigra*  
*Carpinus caroliniana*  
*Carya ovata*  
*Celtis occidentalis*  
*Cornus alternifolia*  
*Cornus florida*  
*Franxinus americana*  
*Franxinus pensylvanica*  
*Hamamelis virginiana*  
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*Liquidambar styraciflua*  
*Liriodendron tulipifera*  
*Llex opaca*  
*Nyssa sylvatica*  
*Platanus occidentalis*  
*Populus deltoides*  
*Populus tremuloides*  
*Prunus serotina*  
*Qercus palustris*  
*Quercus alba*  
*Quercus bicolor*  
*Quercus prinus*  
*Quercus rubra*  
*Quercus velutina*  
*Salix nigra*  
*Sasafras albidum*  
*Scirpus validus*  
*Tilia americana*

Red maple  
Silver maple  
Serviceberry  
Black birch  
Gray birch  
River birch  
American hornbeam  
Shagbark hickory  
Common hackberry  
Alternate-leaved dogwood  
Flowering dogwood  
White ash  
Green ash  
American hophornbeam  
Witch hazel  
Sweet gum  
Tulip tree  
American holly  
Black tupelo  
American sycamore  
Cottonwood  
Quaking aspen  
Black cherry  
Pin oak  
White oak  
Swamp white oak  
Chestnut oak  
Northern red oak  
Black oak  
Black willow  
Common sassafras  
American linden

GRAMINOIDS:

*Andropogon virginicus*  
*Calamagrostis canadensis*  
*Carex crinita*  
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*Carex pensylvanica*  
*Carex stricta*  
*Carex vulpinoides*  
*Deschampsia cespitosa*  
*Elymus hystrix*  
*Juncus canadensis*  
*Juncus effusus*  
*Panicum virgatum*  
*Schizachyrium scoparium*

Broomsedge  
Bluejoint  
Crinkled sedge  
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Pennsylvania sedge  
Tussock sedge  
Fox sedge  
Tufted hairgrass  
Bottlebrush sedge  
Canada rush  
Soft rush  
Switchgrass  
Little bluestem

Scripus atrovirens  
Scripus validus  
Sorghastrum nutans

Black bulrush  
Great bulrush  
Indian grass

FORBES:

Asclepias incarnata  
Aster novae-angliae  
Aster novi-belgii  
Caltha palustris  
Chelone glabra  
Eupatorium maculatum  
Eupatorium perfoliatum  
Eupatorium rugosum  
Helianthus angustifolius  
Impatiens capensis  
Lobelia cardinalis  
Lobelia siphilitica  
Penstemon digitalis  
Rudbeckia triloba  
Tradescantia virginiana  
Vernonia noveboracensis

Swamp milkweed  
New York aster  
New York aster  
Marsh marigold  
Turtlehead  
Spotted Joe-Pye weed  
Boneset  
White boneset  
Swamp sunflower  
Jewelweed  
Cardinal flower  
Great lobelia  
White beardtongue  
Thin-leaf coneflower  
Spederwort  
New York ironweed

Selected list from the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation Natural Resources Group *Native Species Planting Guide for New York City and Vicinity*.

