

Spring/Summer Flower ID

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Oxeye Daisy

Leucanthemum vulgare

Long stems with large daisy flowerheads. Circle of narrow white petals. Bright yellow centre. Oblong, toothed leaves.



Thyme-leaved Speedwell

Veronica serpyllifolia

A tiny plant with spreading leaves. Many small flowers. White with blue or purplish lines. Only a few flowers open at a time.



Wild Carrot

Daucus carota

Umbrella-shaped flowerheads. Small white flowers on separate rays. Hairy leaves shaped like edible carrot. Easily confused with Cow Parsley.



Creeping Buttercup

Ranunculus repens

A low, creeping plant. Shiny flowers with 5 petals. Hairy leaves divided into three.



Meadow Buttercup

Ranunculus acris

Tall plant with branching stems.
Cup-shaped flowers. 5 very shiny petals.
Deeply divided long, narrow leaflets.



Mouse-ear Hawkweed

Pilosella officinarum

Pale yellow flowers on long stems. Narrow, tightly packed petals. Hairy, raggedly toothed leaves. Easily confused with dandelion.



Yellow Rattle

Rhinanthus minor

Leafy spikes of yellow flowers. Shapely petals forming a hood and lip. Long, narrow and toothed leaves. Two purple teeth on the upper petal.



Common Bird's-foot-trefoil

Lotus corniculatus

Bright yellow flowers. May be tinged with red or orange. Upright, hooded petal. Lower, swollen lip petal. Small and blue-green leaves.



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Germander Speedwell

Veronica chamaedrys

A low, spreading plant. Bright blue flowers with white centre. Leaves toothed and hairy. Hairs on stems in two distinct rows.



Selfheal

Prunella vulgaris

Large, violet-blue flowers. Flowers grow close together at stem tip. Toothed and hairy leaves. Leaves oval or diamond shaped.



Meadow Crane's-bill

Geranium pratense

A clump-forming plant with long stems. Large violet-blue to sky-blue flowers. 5 tissue paper thin petals. Shapely, deeply divided leaves.



Bugle

Ajuga reptans

Creeping plant with upright dense leafy flower spikes 10-30cm tall of blue flowers. Opposite leaves sometimes bronzy, hairless and scarcely toothed.



Common Knapweed

Centaurea nigra

Bright pinkish-purple flowers. Upright, narrow petals bloom from a hairy ball on tall branching stems. Hairy leaves deeply toothed.



Musk Mallow

Malva moschata

Bushy plant. Large, rose-pink flowers. 5 ruffled petals. Very noticeable stamen & stigma. Stiff leaves that are deeply divided into narrow segments.



Herb Robert

Geranium robertianum

Plant grows to 50cm with pink flowers 2cm across. Leaves divided to base; sometimes reddish; hairy with a strong, unpleasant smell.



Cuckooflower

Cardamine pratensis

Variable plant, up to 60cm tall, sometimes with runners. Flowers rosepink to white, 12-18mm across, with four petals.



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