

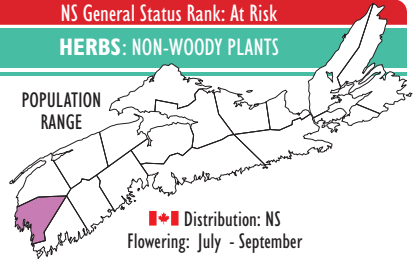
Plymouth Gentian

Sabatia kennedyana

NS General Status Rank: At Risk

HERBS: NON-WOODY PLANTS

POPULATION
RANGE



🇨🇦 Distribution: NS

Flowering: July - September

STATUS

Threatened 🇨🇦

Endangered 🇨🇦



Flowers showing the forked yellow style

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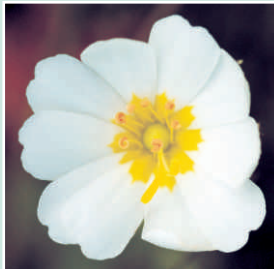
Stem and narrow leaves

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Petals with yellow at the base and yellow stamens

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White flower

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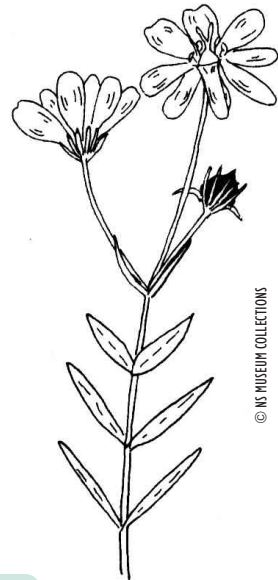
Fruit capsule

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Cluster of basal rosettes

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SIZE: 20-35 cm tall.

LEAVES: Paired on the stem (opposite), narrow, and lance-shaped with smooth leaf edges.

STEM: Narrow and unbranched.

FLOWERS: 1-4 flower stalks per plant with one flower at the top of each stalk. Flowers have 9-11 pink petals with yellow near the base (2-3 cm long), yellow stamens and a forked yellow style. White flowers are sometimes observed.

FRUITS: Capsules containing seeds.

NOTES: When not in flower this species is observed as a cluster of leaves on the ground (basal rosette).

Habitat:

Gently sloping lake and river shorelines.

Similar species: Pink Coreopsis (*Coreopsis rosea* - page 4) and Virginia Meadow-Beauty (*Rhexia virginica* - page 26) both have pinkish flowers with yellow centers. Pink Coreopsis has narrower petals with no yellow at the base. Virginia Meadow-Beauty has four all-pink petals.

Interesting point: This species is only found on 11 lakes in NS (and Canada).