

Virginia waterleaf *Hydrophyllum virginianum*

Kingdom: Plantae

Division: Magnoliophyta

Class: Magnoliopsida

Order: Solanales

Family: Hydrophyllaceae

ILLINOIS STATUS common, native

FEATURES

The name "waterleaf" comes from the coloration on the leaves that may give them the appearance of being stained with water. Flowers are white or pale purple, arising on a single stalk. Leaves are large and have five to seven lobes. The plant ranges from one to three feet tall.

BEHAVIORS

Virginia waterleaf grows in woodlands throughout Illinois. Flowers are produced from April through July.

HABITATS

Aquatic Habitats

none

Woodland Habitats

upland deciduous forests

Prairie and Edge Habitats

none

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