



Illinois ENDANGERED & THREATENED SPECIES



showy lady's-slipper orchid *Cypripedium reginae* [state endangered]

The showy lady's-slipper blooms between May and August. Individual flowers generally last a week or more. Its most common habitat is wetlands (forested or open) and moist woods, generally in limy sites, at low to moderate elevations. It has probably always been rare. Plants may live up to 50 years, taking up to 16 years to flower for the first time.

Reasons for Concern

- loss of wetland habitats
- declining water quality

