

Iris versicolor
Blue flag, Blue water iris



Spring/Summer Flower



Green Summer Foliage

Characteristics: Herbaceous, Perennial, Nonpersistent

Appearance:

Height - 2 to 3 ft.

Flower Color - Blue or violet

Flowering Period - May

Habitat: Swamps, Marshes, and Wet Shores

Hydrology:

Indicator status - Obligate wetland

Salinity - Fresh to moderately brackish

Non-Tidal Regime - Regularly to permanently inundated up to 0.5 feet or saturated

Wildlife Benefits: Food for wildfowl, marsh birds, and persists as cover within a growing season under heavy grazing. Favorite to hummingbirds.

Distribution: Newfoundland to Manitoba, south to Virginia and Minnesota.