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Celebrate Wildflowers

WILDFLOWERS OF SOUTHWEST IDAHO

Have you ever seen a flower that looks like miniature elk antlers?

Idaho has a tiny plant named after it. Do you know what it is?

When was the last time you looked at a flower with a grinning monkey-face?

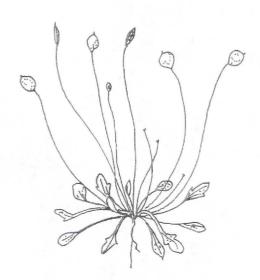
Southwest Idaho is a great place to learn about native plants and wildflowers.

Many species of wildflowers live here — sometimes as close as in your backyard!

The next time you are out exploring, take a minute to appreciate wildflowers.

Picking wildflowers is not allowed, but this coloring book may help you remember what the wildflowers in your area look like.

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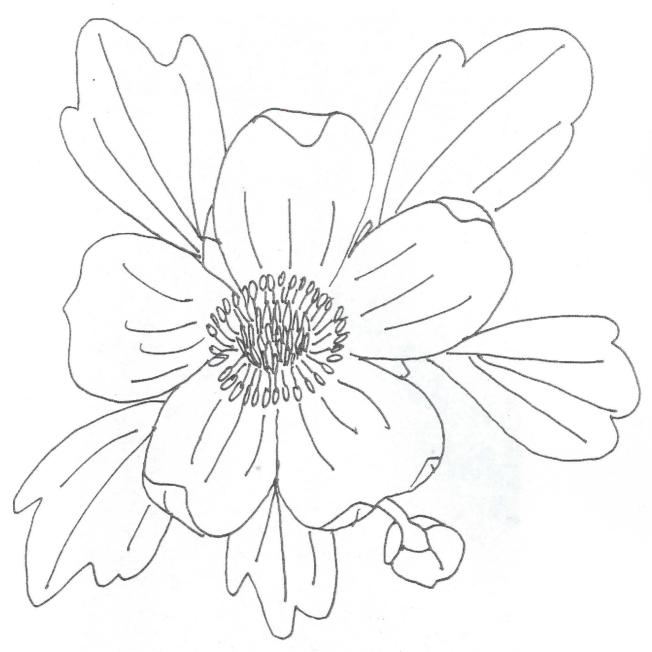




This is Idaho's state flower and it smells like orange blossoms!

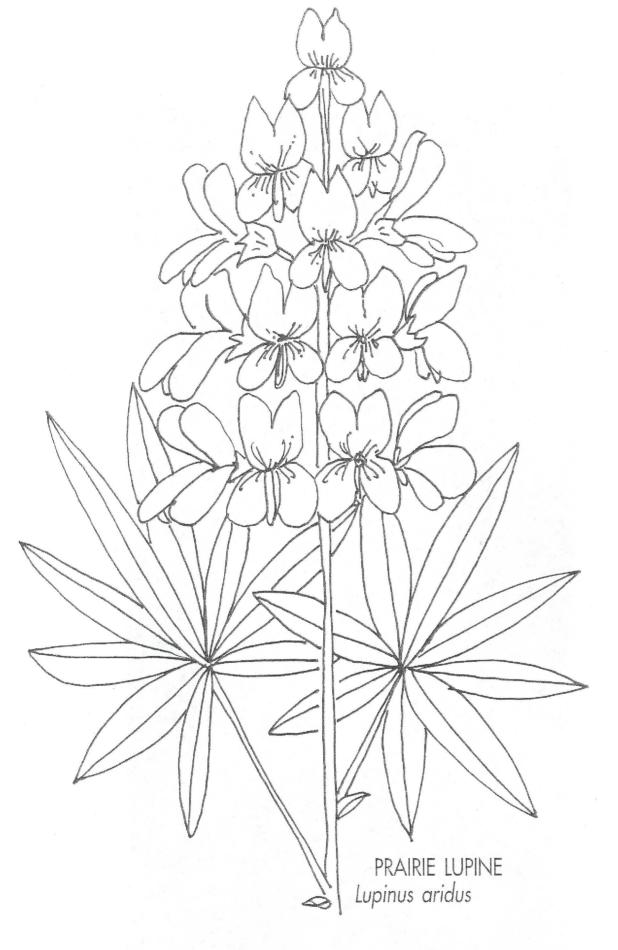


Bees sometimes sleep in the flowers of this plant!

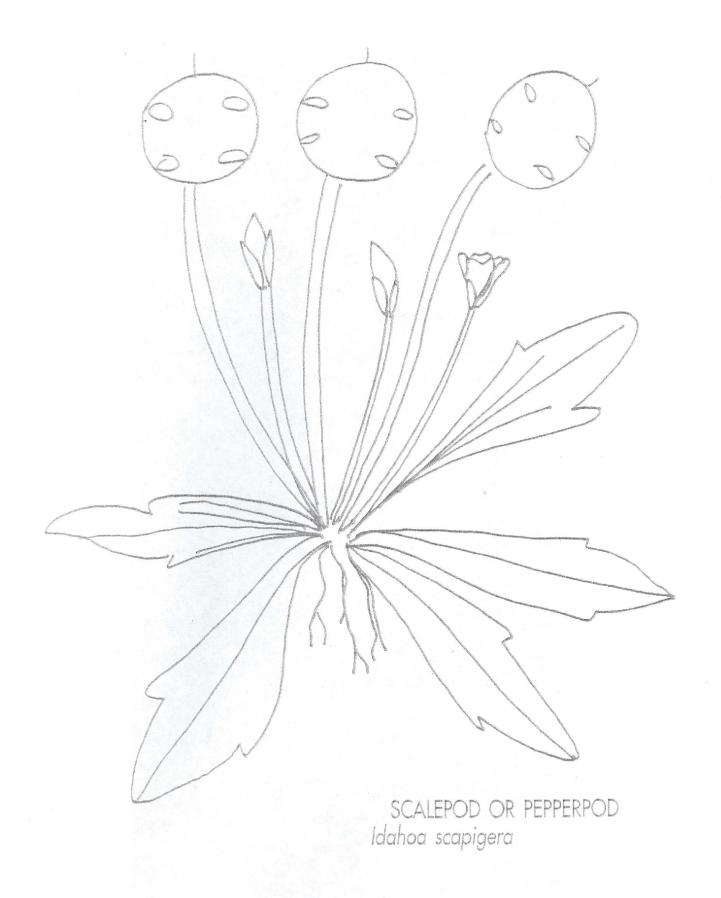


SAGEBRUSH BUTTERCUP Ranunculus glaberrimus

One of our earliest spring wildflowers. The yellow flowers are the size of a quarter.



Did you know that lupines are related to peas and beans?



This tiny (1-to-4-inch tall) plant was named after Idaho!



The leaves of the monkeyflower plant are very sticky and the flowers look like a grinning monkey.

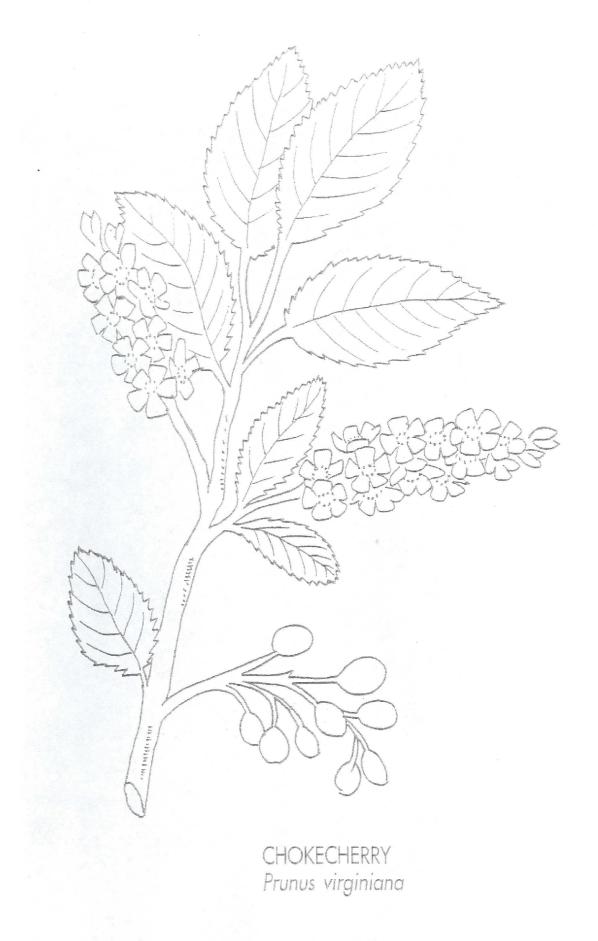


SULFUR BUCKWHEAT Eriogonum umbellatum

Buckwheat plants form mats from which showy flowers grow.



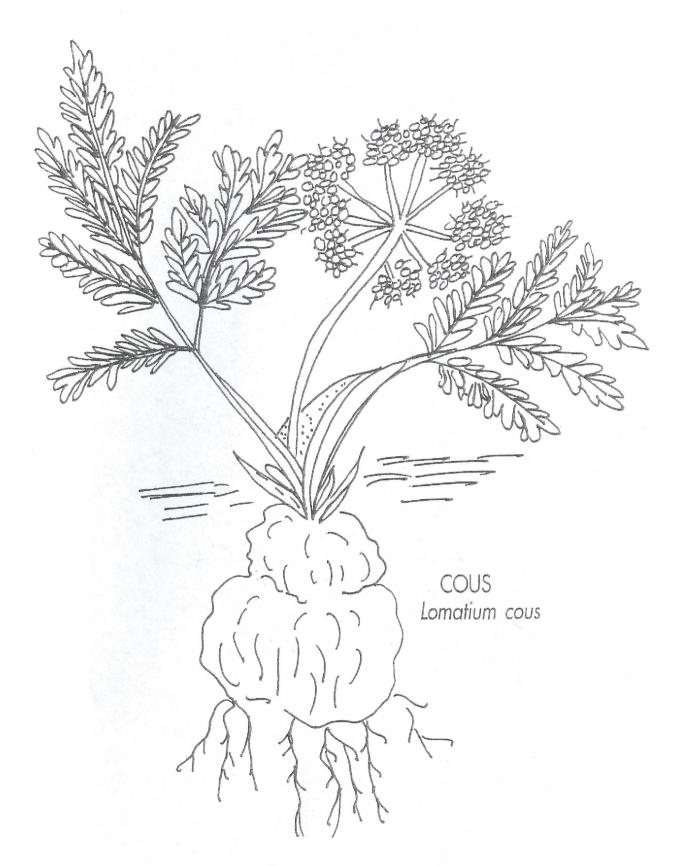
These plants can live as long as humans!



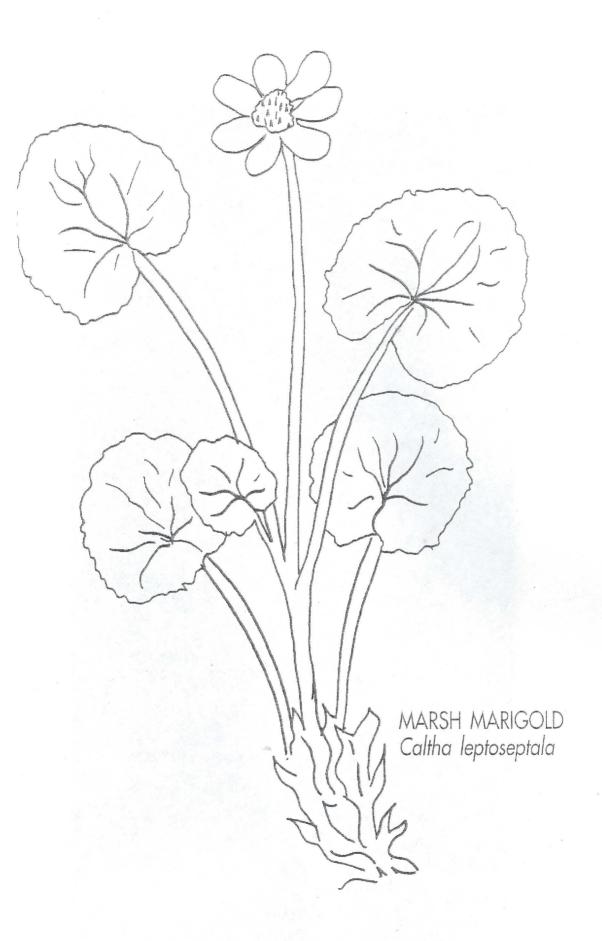
Birds, bears and coyotes enjoy this plant's juicy fruits.



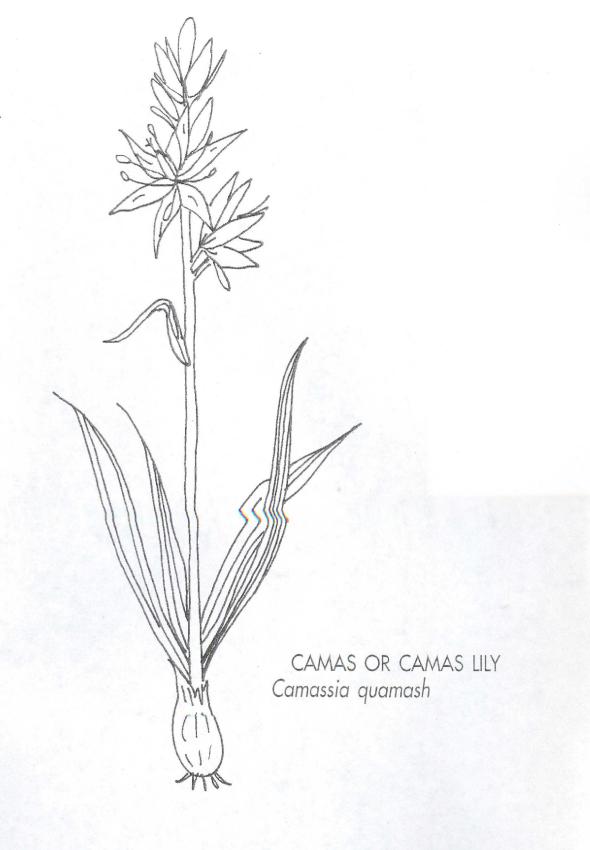
Look for this plant in moist, shady places in the forest.



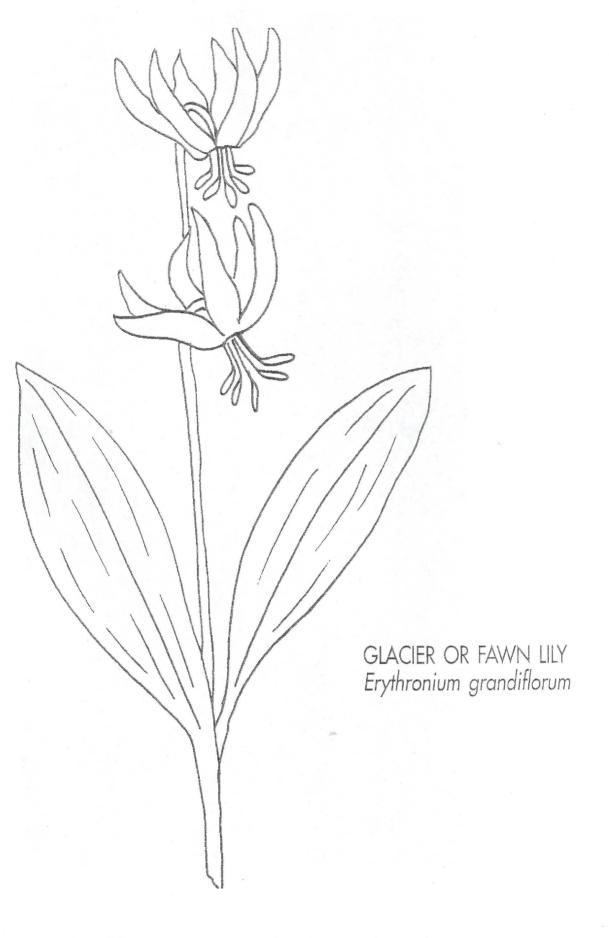
The large root of this little plant was an important food for Native Americans.



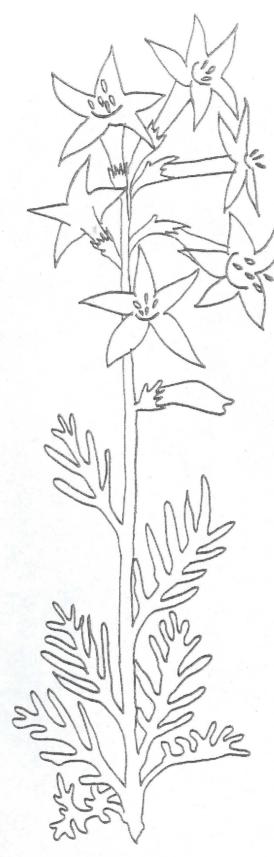
Elk like to eat the tender leaves of this plant.



These dark blue flowers form a sea of blue in some Idaho wet meadows.



This plant blooms as soon as the snow melts each spring.



SCARLET GILIA Ipomopsis aggregata

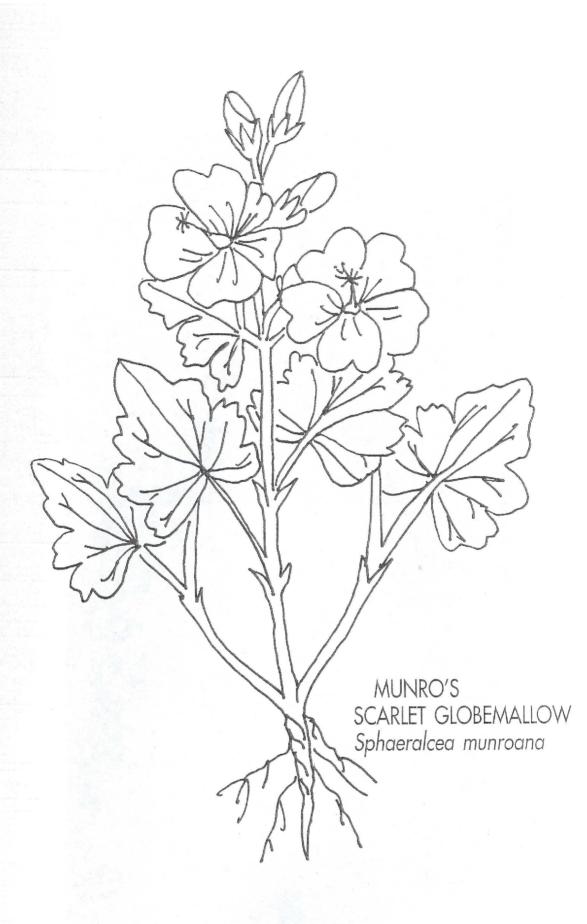
The bright red trumpet-like flowers are favorites of hummingbirds.



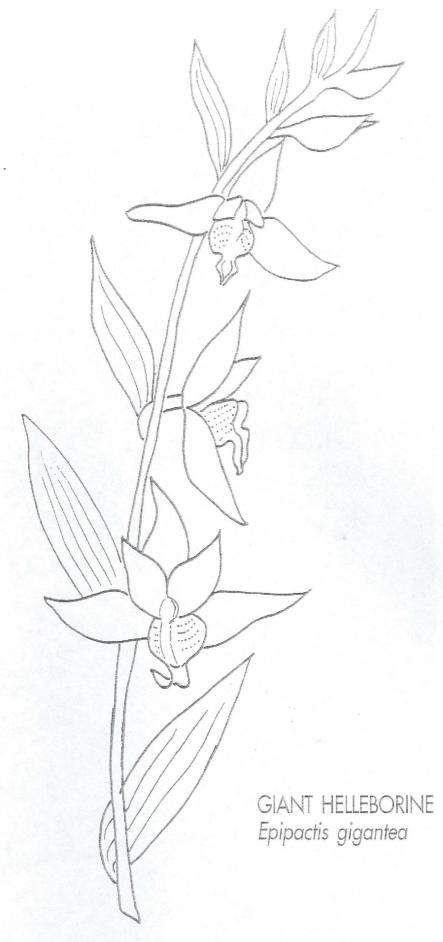
This plant likes to grow in moist locations.



The rose-purple flowers resemble miniature elk antlers.



Globemallow's unusual orange flower color is easily recognized.



This orchid lives near hotsprings. Please don't pick it — it is rare!



This showy flower grows from a bulb. It is a relative of the common lily.



The large, showy white flowers turn pink with age.



Bright yellow flowers give this plant its other common name — Oregon sunshine.

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