

Wildflower Websites

To find a wildflower guide online, search on “wildflower identification” and the name of your state, and you’re likely to find a website specific to your area. Many websites, however, are organized by the plant’s common name, scientific name, or family, which is of little use to beginners...and not much help if you can’t guess the name of the plant.

I’ve found three easy-to-use websites that allow searches based on the flower’s color. The first, www.minnesotawildflowers.info, is useful not just in Minnesota, but for the north-central United States. To find plants of the southern Great Plains, see the Kansas-based website, www.kswildflowers.org. For the eastern U.S., try www.MyWildflowers.com.