



## **dwarf larkspur**

*Delphinium tricorne*

Kingdom: Plantae  
Division/Phylum: Anthophyta  
Class:  
Order:  
Family:

### **FEATURES**

The dwarf larkspur is also called wild larkspur or spring larkspur. This perennial plant grows from roots. It may attain a height of two and one-half feet. The leaves alternate along the stem. Each leaf is divided into five to seven lobes. Several flowers are clustered on a stalk at the tip of the stem. Each blue, four-petaled flower may be one and one-half inches long. Five sepals are also present, one of which is developed into a spur.

### **BEHAVIORS**

The dwarf larkspur may be found in the southern two-thirds of Illinois. It grows in rich woods. Flowers are present from April through June.

### **HABITATS**

- bottomland forests
- coniferous forest
- southern Illinois lowlands
- upland deciduous forest

### **ILLINOIS STATUS**

- common
- endangered
- threatened
- native
- exotic

### **ILLINOIS RANGE**

Permanent resident: southern 2/3

Summer resident:

Migrant:

Winter resident:

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