



ILLINOIS STATUS

common endangered threatened
 native exotic

ILLINOIS RANGE

Permanent resident: southern 1/3 + Ogle County

Summer resident:

Migrant:

Winter resident:

BIBLIOGRAPHY

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hairy lipfern

Cheilanthes lanosa

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

FEATURES

The hairy lipfern is a small, blue-green plant. It turns brown when its habitat is dry but can be restored to green quickly after a rainfall. Each narrow, lance-shaped leaf is about eight inches long. The leaf is covered with small hairs. Each leaf is divided into 12 or more pairs of lance-shaped leaflets which are further divided into rounded subleaflets. The rachis is covered with white or brownish hairs. The dark brown or purple stipe is short, hairy and brittle.

BEHAVIORS

The hairy lipfern may be found in the southern one-third of Illinois and in Ogle County. It grows on dry, exposed cliffs. Spores are produced from June through September.

HABITATS

bottomland forests
 coniferous forest
 southern Illinois lowlands
 upland deciduous forest