



## DAYFLOWER

*Commelina virginica* L.

This relatively large monocot, up to three feet in height, is rather common along moist roadsides and creek-banks. Leaves are alternate, dark green, and encircle the stem, forming a sheath which is fringed with reddish bristles. Flowers are enclosed in a modified leaf called a spathe. Each flower is blue and quickly disappears but plants often flower from summer-autumn. An extensive rhizome system usually results in colonies, most often in low woods (**Commelinaceae**, the Spiderwort Family).