



Sweet pitcher plant



Plant Botanical Name:

Sarracenia rubra Walter

Plant Sub Species or Variety:

ssp. *Rubra*

Also known as the sweet pitcher plant, *Sarracenia rubra* Walter ssp. *Rubra* occurs throughout the southeastern United States in wet, boggy areas. *Sarracenia* has a variety of forms leading to differing taxonomy. Some botanists debate the classification as a scientifically separate population. These debates make it challenging to classify and adequately protect the wild endangered forms of *Sarracenia rubra*. All forms of *Sarracenia rubra* also face peril due to habitat loss from development, altered water tables, fire suppression and poaching. It has five recognized subspecies, two of which are federally and internationally protected. *Photo credit: [unreadable]*

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