

## Simplified Preliminary Key for Gleason & Cronquist Manual

- 1a. Ferns and fern allies . . . . . **Section 2 - *xlii***  
1b. Gymnosperms and angiosperms . . . . . (2)
- 2a. Gymnosperms . . . . . **Section 3 - *xliii***  
2b. Angiosperms . . . . . (3)
- 3a. Epiphytes and branch-parasites . . . . . **Section 4 - *xliiii***  
3b. Plants not as above . . . . . (4)
- 4a. Flowers sterile, modified into bulblets or tufts or minute leaves . . . . .  
. . . . . **Section 5 - *xliv***  
4b. Flowers fertile . . . . . (5)
- 5a. Monocots . . . . . **Section 6 - *xliv***  
5b. Dicots . . . . . (6)
- 6a. Trees, shrubs, and woody vines . . . . . **Section 7 - *xlvi***  
6b. Herbaceous plants . . . . . (7)
- 7a. Flowers unisexual . . . . . **Section 8 - *li***  
7b. Flowers bisexual . . . . . (8)
- 8a. Perianth lacking . . . . . **Section 9 - *liii***  
8b. Perianth present . . . . . (9)
- 9a. Perianth of a single whorl of parts . . . . . (10)  
9b. Perianth of both sepals and petals . . . . . (11)
- 10a. Ovary inferior . . . . . **Section 10 - *liii***  
10b. Ovary superior . . . . . **Section 11 - *lv***
- 11a. Ovaries two or more per flower . . . . . **Section 12 - *lv***  
11b. Ovary one per flower . . . . . (12)
- 12a. Ovary inferior . . . . . **Section 13 - *lvi***  
12b. Ovary superior . . . . . (13)
- 13a. Stamens more than the number of petals . . . . . (14)  
13b. Stamens fewer than or equal to the number of petals . . . . . (15)
- 14a. Flowers irregular . . . . . **Section 14 - *lvii***  
14b. Flowers regular . . . . . **Section 15. - *lviii***
- 15a. Petals separate . . . . . **Section 16 - *lix***  
15b. Petals fused . . . . . (16)
- 16a. Stamens equal the number of corolla lobes and flower regular . . . . .  
. . . . . **Section 17 - *lxi***  
16b. Stamens fewer than corolla lobes, or if equal to them then the flower irregular -  
**Section 18 - *lxiii***