

Anthriscus sylvestris, Wild Chervil

The Wild Chervil is native to Europe and is easily transported and spread by vehicles, people, animals, and wind. The plant grows aggressively, often outcompeting the surrounding vegetation.

Description: Wild Chervil can grow to four feet tall. The stems are hollow and covered in hairs, with alternate, compound leaves that have a fern-like appearance. The flowers of this plant are white and have five notched pedels.

Control: Methods for control include mowing, tilling, and digging. All require repetition and removal of the entire root system, which may be difficult due to the depths the roots can reach

Look-alikes: Several plants in the carrot/parsley family look similar to the Wild Chervil. Some of the ones that are hard to distinguish include Bur Chervil (*Anthriscus caucalis*), Rough Chervil (*Chaerophyllum temulum*), Poison-hemlock (*Conium maculatum*), and the Wild carrot/Queen Anne's lace (*Daucus carota*).

Flower Time and Description: This plant blooms from April to May with small white flowers that grow in 3 inch wide umbels.

