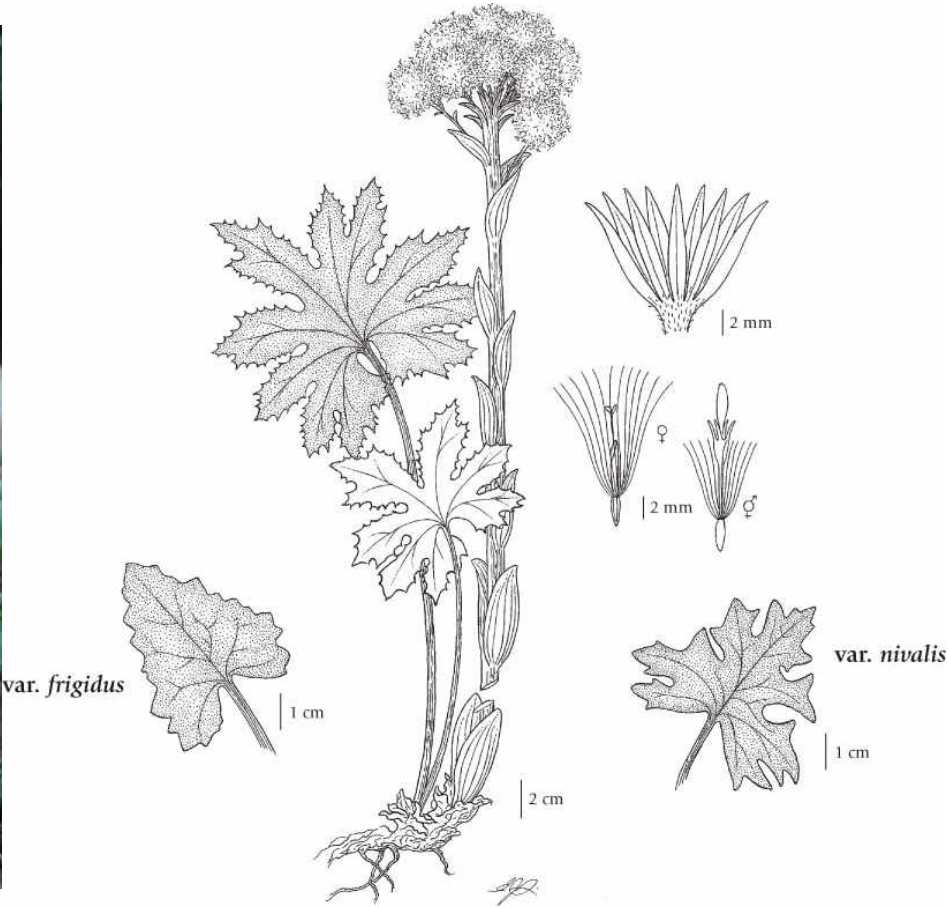
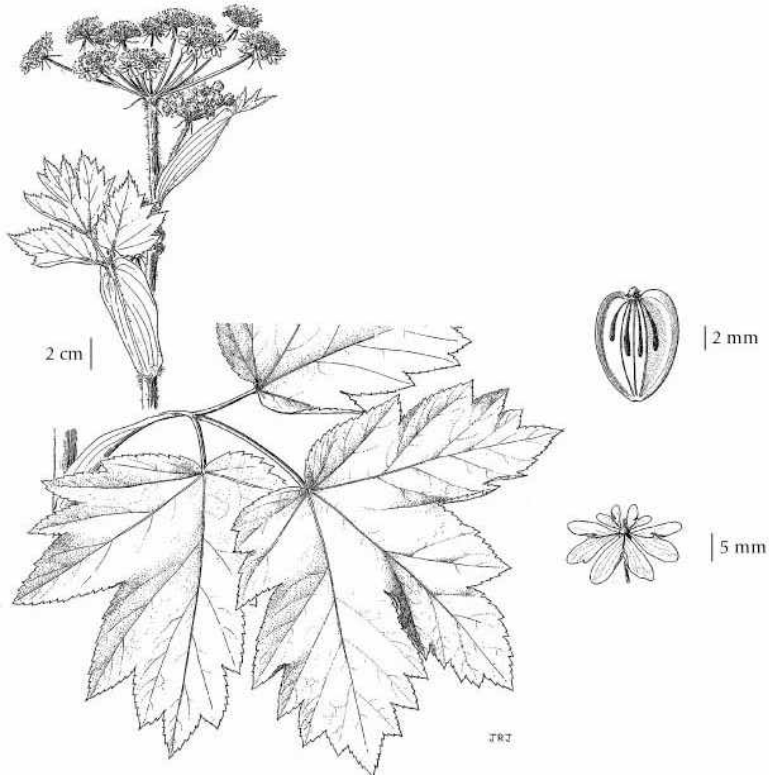


Giant hogweed Look-alikes

Palmate coltsfoot (*Petasites frigidus*)

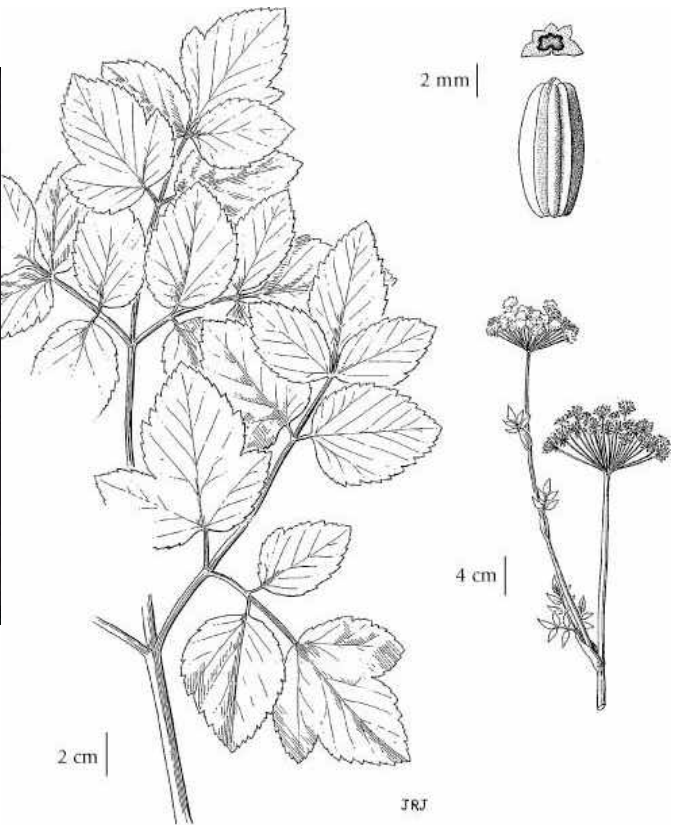


Common cow-parsnip (*Heracleum maximum*)

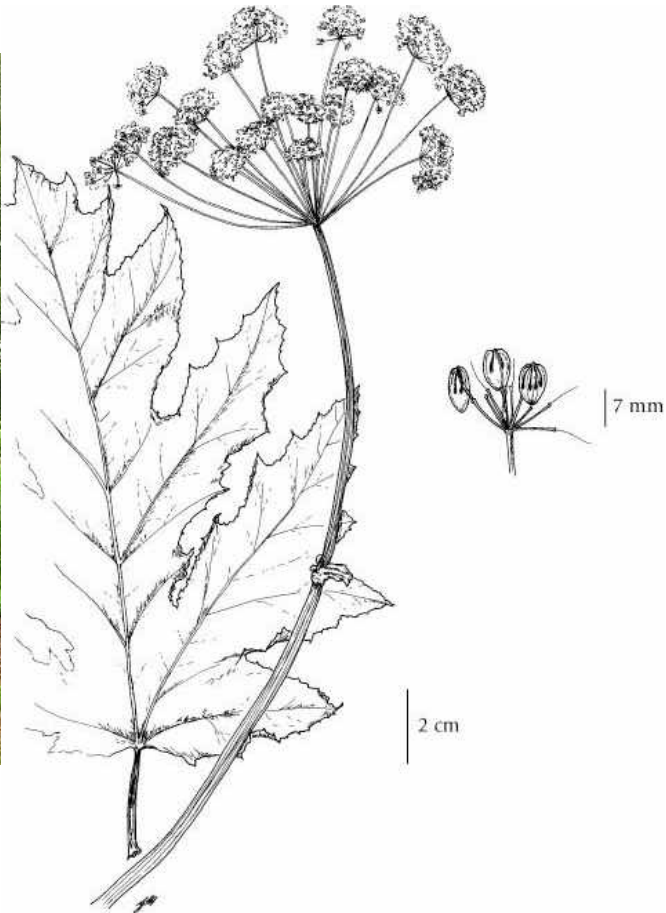


Giant hogweed Look-alikes

Seacoast angelica (*Angelica lucida*)



Giant hogweed (*Heracleum mantegazzianum*)



Giant hogweed Look-alikes

Description

Height: 6 metres

Stem:

- Stout, hollow stem with dark red-purple blotches

Leaves:

- Large (>0.4 m)
- Compound, deeply cut (many leaflets joining main stem)
- Short, stiff, dense hairs on underside

Flowers:

- White
- Umbrella-shaped clusters (umbel)
- Umbel (> 0.75 m)

Seeds:

- Long (< 1 cm), flat

Roots:

- Large, tuberous, deep-growing
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Reproduction:

- Perennial
 - Seed (50-100K/plant/yr)(each seed viable up to 7 yrs)
 - Vegetative re-growth (sprouting from buds close to the ground on cut stalks)
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Dispersal:

- Wind
- Water
- Contaminated soil

