

WANTED

Perennial Sowthistle

Alias: Sonchus arvensis



Robert W. Freckmann - Wisconsin Herbarium

Member of the Aster Family



From the sketchbook of Mary Taylor Blinn

Description: Leaves are alternate, stalk-less, shallowly lobed, with spiny and toothed margins. Dark green above and pale green below. Flowering heads are numerous bright-yellow ray florets.

Crimes committed: Causes economic loss due to reduced crop yields. Root system allows the plant to quickly establish and persist under cultivation. Hairs on seeds have hooked cells that allow them to stick to surfaces.