

WANTED

White Sweetclover

Alias: Melilotus alba



Paul E. Berry-Wisconsin State Herbarium

Member of the Pea Family



From the sketchbook of Mary Keefer Bloom

Description: Leaves are toothed, compound, and have three parts. Flowers are white, small, pea-like, and are numerous and crowded in long, slender, spike-like clusters.

Crimes committed: Seeds viable for up to 30 years. Drought resistant and winter hardy. Shades out native sun-loving species. Out competes natives in disturbed sites for water and nutrients. Infestations are rapidly moving along 3 major rivers in Alaska.