PLANT FACT SHEET

Sium latifolium L.

GENUS *Sium* **FAMILY** Apiaceae

COMMON NAMES Water parsnip, Broadleaf Water Parsnip

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Root

CAUTION:
The root is eaten with milk or broth.

DESCRIPTION

A herb which keeps growing from year to year. It lies along the ground. It forms roots where the nodes are in contact with soil or water. It grows up to 1 m tall. The stems are hollow. They are 3 cm across. There can be leaves under the water but most are above and divided. They are 20 cm long with 2-12 pairs of leaflets without stalks. The lowest pair of leaflets are 5 cm long by 3 cm wide and each pair along the leaf get shorter. The end leaflet has several lobes. The flowers are in compound groups on equal length stalks. The petals are white.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows along creek banks and near water and drains.

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