

Sow thistle, Perennial
Sonchus arvensis
Asteraceae (Sunflower Family)

Category:

Noxious



- **Information:** Introduced from Europe and Asia. Other names include; Creeping Sow Thistle, and Field Milk Thistle
- **Life Cycle:** Creeping perennial.
- **Root:** Creeping rhizomatous root.
- **Leaves:** Alternate, prickles on the edges, usually on the lower portion of the plant, milky juice.
- **Stems:** Hollow stems, branched at the top portion of the plant, milky juice.
- **Flower:** Yellow flowers.
- **Seed/Fruits:** Small seed, wings (pappus).
- **Toxicity:**
- **Control:** Chemical.

<http://www.invasiveplants.ab.ca/Downloads/FS-PerennSowthistle.pdf>