

COUNTRYSIDE BITS AND BITES.....

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Oxeye Daisy and scentless chamomile are both weeds!

Do you know the difference? Weed or Flower

FYI: Baby's breath (yes the one in many flower arrangements) is now considered a weed! This plant is becoming a wide spread problem all across Canada.

Flower



WHITE ASTER



OXEYE DAISY



SHASTA DAISY



SCENTLESS CHAMOMILE

Avoid collecting pretty "wildflowers" from roadsides and natural areas for your garden as many of these are highly aggressive weed species!

Shasta Daisy is a flower that can over time revert back to its original form which is the oxeye Daisy!

BE AWARE AND BECOME WEED WISE! PROTECT YOUR GARDEN !

Did you know: You can bring your plant/weed into the County Agriculture office to have it identified!

One year to seed; seven to weed.

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babys breath
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common tansy
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invasive plant
noxious
ornamental
oxeye daisy
planting
prohibited
pulling
purple loosestrife
shasta daisy
spreading
tall buttercup
toadflax
weed wise
wildflower



Creeping Bellflower

Tall Buttercup



These pretty "flowers" are all weeds!!



Purple Loosestrife

Toadflax



There are approximately 50 kinds of plants in Alberta that are considered an invasive species.

DID YOU KNOW TO: Avoid "wildflower Mix" seed packages as many of these contain the seeds of invasive species (weeds). Instead try individual flower seed packages!

CHECK OUT the Weed Wise Gardening in Alberta pamphlet on the Alberta Invasive Plants website it is an excellent source for giving you ideas of what to plant and what to avoid!!

It sure is hard work trying to get rid of this weed!!! Why did I ever plant it????



Don't Bring Weeds into Your Yard:

It's possible to bring weed seeds into your yard if you bring in topsoil, plants in containers, mulch, or manure that is contaminated with weed seeds or roots. You can also bring in weed seeds on garden equipment so cleaning your gardening tools is extremely important!

RESOURCES:

Alberta Agriculture
www.agric.gov.ab.ca

Alberta Invasive Plants
www.invasiveplants.ab.ca

County of Thorhild
www.thorhildcounty.com

When weeding, the best way to make sure you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant.