

Thistle, Marsh
Cirsium palustre
Asteraceae (Sunflower Family)

Category:

Prohibited Noxious



- **Information:** May hybridize with Canada Thistle and native marsh thistles.
- **Life Cycle:** Biennial, rosette in the first year, flowers in the second.
- **Root:** Fibrous root system.
- **Leaves:** Leaves covered with long sticky hairs, lobed, 15-20cm long.
- **Stems:** 1-1.5m tall, branched at top, thick, reddish in color, covered in long sticky hairs.
- **Flower:** Many flowers per plant, purple, bracts spineless.
- **Seed/Fruits:** Small, hard, elongated, tuft of bristles (pappus) for seed dispersal.
- **Toxicity:**
- **Control:** Control in first year or before seed set.