



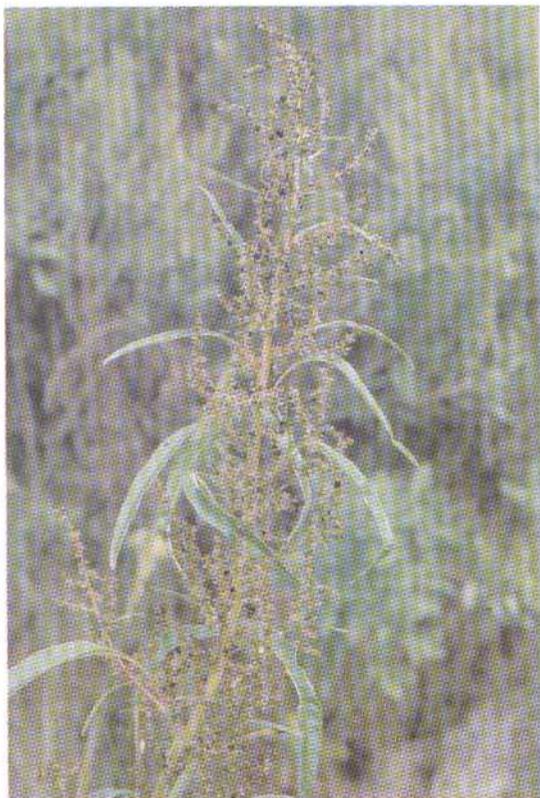
SALT-MARSH WATERHEMP

Acnida cannabina

Located in salt and brackish marshes and along fresh tidal shores throughout the Division. Also known as Waterleaf.

An erect, succulent annual stem slender to very stout (to 2.5 cm diam), smooth, with many ascending branches; 0.3 to 2 m high. Leaves lance-shaped, tapering gradually at both the base and apex, blunt tipped, toothless, leaf-stalk usually shorter than the blade; 2 to 20 cm long. Small green or yellowish flowers are densely clustered on 2.5 to 12.5 cm long spikes; blooming from July to August. Large quantity of small circular seeds produced in the fall.

A very important food source for waterfowl, game and songbirds, small mammals and deer.



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