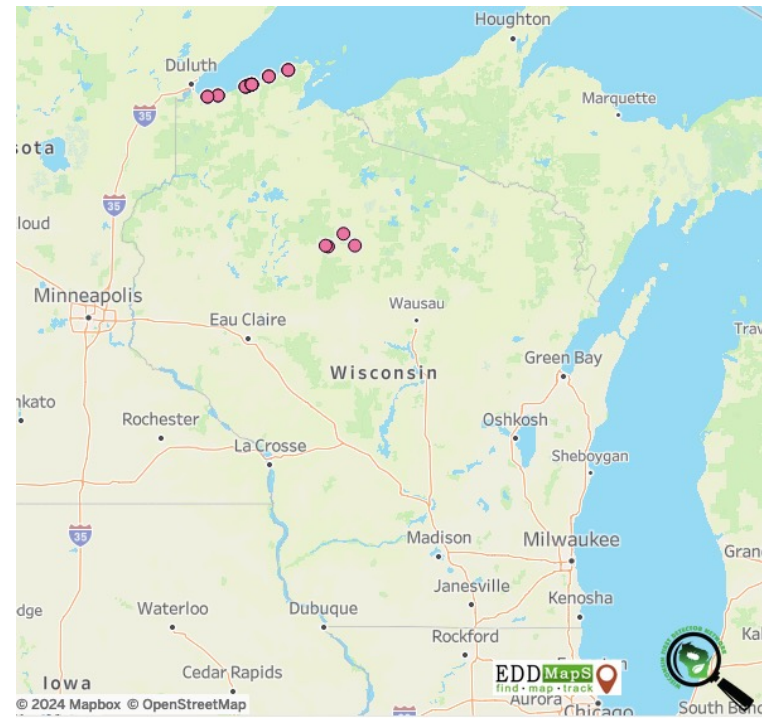


Queen-of-the-meadow (*Filipendula ulmaria*)



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- Showy herb spreading via roots, with irregularly shaped leaflets, and white flowers
- Habitats it invades:
 - Wetlands
 - Roadsides
- Status
 - Wisconsin: Restricted
 - Not regulated in neighboring states





Queen-of-the-meadow (*Filipendula ulmaria*)

Leaves alternate, pinnately compound



- 6-10" long, with 5-9 leaflets; tiny leaflets often interspersed
- Terminal leaflet 3- or 5-lobed
- Leaf margins doubly toothed
- Prominent stipules
- Upper leaf surface smooth, lower surface hairy





Queen-of-the-meadow (*Filipendula ulmaria*)

Flower/fruit

- Flowers white, with sepals, petals, stamens fused into a cup (hypanthium)
- Flowers borne in upright clusters, usually the outer branches longer than the inner; June-Aug.
- Fruit is a cluster of twisted achenes



Queen-of-the-meadow look alike



Queen-of-the-meadow resembles the **native** meadowsweet (*Spiraea alba*). Meadowsweet differs in being a **shrub** with **simple leaves**, flowers held in a **terminal pyramidal cluster with short side branches**, and in its **follicle fruits**.

