Wormwood look alikes



Wormwood (Artemisia absinthium) may be confused with other Artemisia species as well as common ragweed (Ambrosia artemisiifolia).









Common mugwort (Artemisia vulgaris)

Wormwood (above) has deeply lobed light green to olive green leaves, usually with a silvery tinge from dense covering of hairs.

Yellow button-shaped flowers.

Common mugwort (top right) leaves are less divided with wedgeshaped lobes; dark green upper surface. Flowers are indistinct with yellow to reddish brown parts.

Other look alike Artemisia species (not pictured) like annual and biennial wormwood do not have the silvery tinge on leaves.

Common ragweed (bottom right) leaves lack the silvery tinge, but otherwise look similar to wormwood leaves. Flowers are small, yellow to greenish.



Common ragweed (*Ambrosia* artimisiifolia)



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