

Hedge Parsley



Hedge Parsley (*Torilis japonica*) is a medium to tall, annual or biennial member of the carrot family. Hedge Parsley is similar in appearance to Cow Parsley but it flowers later and has finer leaves. The flowers are creamy white and often tinged with pink. Each umbel is about 2-3 inches across, consisting of 8 umbellets. Flowering occurs in July and August. The seed is oblong in shape and is covered with bristles.

Hedge Parsley is found in a variety of habitats of dry neutral and basic soil including woodland margins, hedgerows, rough and ungrazed grassland. The umbels attract a large range of pollinating insects. The root system consists of a taproot and the plant spreads by reseeding itself.

Hedge Parsley looks best growing with wildflowers such as Musk Mallow and Meadow Cranesbill.

Sowing Time: Autumn

