

CONIUM MACULATUM

POISON HEMLOCK

Poison Hemlock can grow to be eight feet tall. It has hollow stalks with purple splotches. The flowers are umbels of smaller umbels that flower in the late spring. This plant is very toxic to humans and animals. If ingested signs will begin twenty minutes to three hours later. Do not pull with bare hands. Use gloves if removing a large patch. If a larger patch must be removed, mow just before flowers come on in the spring or treat with an herbicide.

**Poison Hemlock was
used to kill Socrates in
399 B.C.**

**The plant causes
respiratory arrest and
heart failure.**

