

*Cerastium arvense*

[Synonyms : *Alsine arvensis*, *Centunculus angustifolius*, *Centunculus arvensis*, *Centunculus rigidus*, *Cerastium alpicolum*, *Cerastium alsophilum*, *Cerastium ambiguum*, *Cerastium angustatum*, *Cerastium angustifolium*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *angustifolium*, *Cerastium arvense* subsp. *arvense*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *arvensiforme*, *Cerastium arvense* subsp. *arvum*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *eglandulosum*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *fueguianum*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *latifolium*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *montanum*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *nervosum*, *Cerastium arvense* forma *oblongifolium*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *parviflora*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *purpurascens*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *strictum*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *taiymyrense*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *tatrae*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *villosum*, *Cerastium arvense* var. *viscidulum*, *Cerastium arvensiforme*, *Cerastium brachycarpum*, *Cerastium busambarensis*, *Cerastium caespitosum*, *Cerastium campestre*, *Cerastium camphoratifolium*, *Cerastium carnosulum*, *Cerastium collinum*, *Cerastium colsmannii*, *Cerastium confertum*, *Cerastium corsicum*, *Cerastium effusum*, *Cerastium elongatum*, *Cerastium fueguianum*, *Cerastium glomeratum*, *Cerastium grahamii*, *Cerastium graminifolium*, *Cerastium incanum*, *Cerastium insubricum*, *Cerastium latifolium*, *Cerastium mendozinense*, *Cerastium montanum*, *Cerastium mutabile*, *Cerastium nervosum*, *Cerastium nitidum*, *Cerastium oblongifolium*, *Cerastium occidentale*, *Cerastium oreophilum*, *Cerastium patulum*, *Cerastium polyphyllum*, *Cerastium scopulorum*, *Cerastium serpyllifolium*, *Cerastium sonnei*, *Cerastium strictum*, *Cerastium strictum* subsp. *tatrae*, *Cerastium subulatum*, *Cerastium tatrae*, *Cerastium tenuifolium*, *Cerastium trivale*, *Cerastium uralense*, *Cerastium vestitum*, *Cerastium villosum*, *Cerastium viscosum*, *Cerastium vulgatum*, *Leucodonium arvense*, *Stellaria arvensis*]

**FIELD MOUSE EAR** is a spreading perennial. Native to the temperate northern hemisphere, it has small white flowers.

It is also known as *Acker-Hornkraut* (German), *Akkerhoornbloem* (Dutch), *Clust Llygoden y Caeau* (Welsh), *Fältarv* (Swedish), Field chickweed, Field mouse ear chickweed, *Gemeine Goldrute* (German), *Ketohärkki* (Finnish), Large flowered meadow chickweed, Large mouse-eared chickweed, Meadow chickweed, Mouse ear chickweed, Prairie chickweed, *Rožec pol'ný* (Slovak), *Rožec rolní* (Czech), Star of Bethlehem, Starry cerastium, Starry chickweed, Starry grasswort, and *Storblomstret Hønsetarm* (Danish).

The flowers are pollinated by bees and flies.

*Arvense* means 'of or growing in cultivated fields or land'.

For the North American Iroquois Indians field mouse ear provided a medicine for preventing miscarriages and they also applied a plant decoction to the skin.