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Osmorhiza chilensis

[Synonyms : *Osmorhiza berteroi*, *Osmorhiza brevipes*, *Osmorhiza chilensis* var. *chilensis*, *Osmorhiza divaricata*, *Osmorhiza nuda*, *Scandix chilensis*, *Washingtonia divaricata*]

CHILEAN SWEET CICELY is a perennial. Native to southern North America and to South America, it has tiny, occasionally pink-tinged, fragrant greenish-white flowers.

It is also known as Common sweet cicely, Mountain sweet cicely, Sweet cicely, and Wood cicely.

Chilensis means ‘of or from Chile’.

Both the Blackfoot and Cheyenne North American Indian tribes used the plant to treat colds. Some authorities note that the root has been eaten locally, raw or cooked, as a delicacy.