

**Yellow (& white)
sweet-clover**
Melilotus officinalis

Minnesota C-Value: 0
Wetland Indicator Status: FACU
Non-native Invasive



Leaves: 3 leaflets with scalloped edges. Middle leaflet is distinctly stalked.

Stems: Many upright branching stems. Can grow to 6 ft tall.

Flowers and fruit: Yellow or white, 5-parted flowers on long-stalked racemes. Blooms all summer long.

Plant communities: Prefers dry, disturbed sites. Usually in upland buffers. Can invade wet meadows during dry years.

Comments: Previously classified as *M. officinalis* or *M. lutea*. Annual or biennial with taproots. Both the yellow and the white flowered version of this plant are invasive. Unique towering and branching growth form for a clover species.



Scalloped
leaf edges