

WISCONSIN WILDCARDS

ALIEN INVADERS

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DAME'S ROCKET

Hesperis matronalis

BASIC ID This showy, short-lived perennial has large, loose clusters of fragrant white, pink or purple 4-petaled flowers that bloom from May-July on 2'-3' stalks.

HISTORY Native to Eurasia, and used as a garden plant, it can escape into the wild and spread rapidly by seed. It thrives in woodlands, roadsides and open areas.

MANAGEMENT

- Check “wildflower” mixtures before planting
- Pull plants or cut flower heads after they bloom
- Prevent plants from going to seed
- Prescribed burns
- Apply a broadleaf herbicide

FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/er/invasive/

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