Cardamine hirsuta Hairy Bittercress

- Family: Brassicaceae [Gleason and Cronquist 1991, Judd et al. 2007]
- Notes: Cardamine hirsuta is nonnative in Indiana; C. flexuosa, C. parviflora, and C. pensylvanica are visually similar.



Inflorescence and stem leaf.





Petals 4, 2.5–4.5 mm, white; sepals 4, 1.5–2.5 mm; stamens 4; ovary 1, style 1. Apr 11–June 1.

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Fruit 1.5–2.5 cm \times 1–1.4 mm, often appressed.





Basal leaves numerous and persistent, larger than the few stem leaves, basal leaves with (5-)7-15(-21)leaflets, leaflets $0.4-2 \times 0.6-3$ cm, reniform or orbicular, the terminal one larger than the lateral ones.



Annual herb to 0.4 m. Wide variety of habitats.

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