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## Chicory

Scientific name: Chichorium intybus Common name: Blueweed

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Perennial

Flowers large, blue

Upper stalk with few leaves

Stem smooth, from 2 to 4 feet tall

Stems and leaves contain a milky sap

Leaf shape similar to dandelion

Taproot heavy, deep

Chicory is a garden plant common along roadsides, fences, and trashy areas; seldom troublesome in grain fields.

Control: Chicory is usually controlled in fields with crop rotation. If chemical control is needed, apply 1 pound 2,4-D ester per acre before bloom for best control.



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