

5 STEPS OF POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION



Tentative Identification

When you think you have an idea of what a plant is - it looks similar to a picture of something you saw, someone told you what a plant was, or you went through a dichotomous key.

Look-alike Differentials

Complete a reference comparison for all potential look-alikes of the plant. Note which features differentiate one from another.

Reference Comparison

Compare every single part of the plant to a reputable source, or preferably multiple sources. Pictures can be helpful, but read the descriptions.

Specimen Search

Look for multiple specimens of the same plant and do the process over again. Look for it in as many different growth stages as possible. Touch, feel, smell, and observe as many features as you can.

Assess Confidence

If you are not 100% confident about the plant, do not ingest it.



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