## Plant Data Sheet



Species: Lomatium dissectum v. dissectum. Fern-leaved desert parsley.

Native Name: chalůksh

Traditional uses: Medicine, also comprises a major portion of the root vegetables used by the interior plateau peoples of British Columbia, Washington Idaho and Montana.





Elevation: From low to mid elevations.

Local occurrence: L. dissectum is found from British Columbia and Alberta south to California, Colorado and Arizona. Low to mid elevations.

Habitat preferences: Grows on open, dry, rocky slopes. Drought tolerant. Intermediate Shade Tolerance

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May be collected as: seed, tubers

Seed germination: Seeds exhibit morpho-physiological dormancy, cold stratification

Propagation recommendations: Seeds are placed in cold moist stratification for 330 days.

Germination occurs at 18 C

Soil or medium requirements: Fine, medium, coarse soils. ph minimum 6.5 ph maximum 7.5. Root depth 12 inches

Installation form: Container (plug), Bare root

Recommended planting density: Minimum-maximum.

Normal rate of growth or spread lifespan: Perennial, blooms early summer, fruits spring-fall, rapid growth period spring-summer. Short life span. Slow vegetative spread.

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