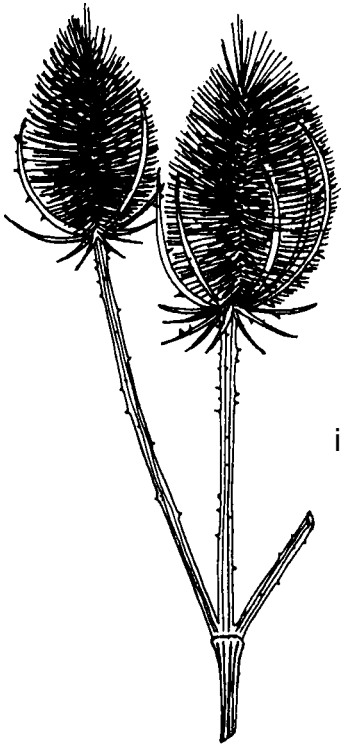


Flower Skeletons

Once the petals are gone, wildflowers often have an unusual appearance. The three “skeletons” below, depict some of the more common wildflowers which may be seen along roadsides in the fall and throughout winter.



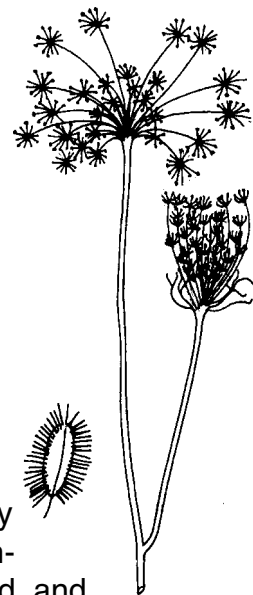
Teasel

This skeleton is distinguished by its egg-shape.



Thistle

Sometimes this plant is confused with teasel. Note that it has a bell-shape and sometimes has long, fluffy, white hairs.



Queen Anne's Lace

This plant is in the parsley family. It can be distinguished from its relatives by its seed. The seeds are contained in closed flower head, and are hairy, sticking to surfaces like velcro. (see seed to left of plant).