



SHEPHERD'S PURSE

Botanical Name: *Capsella bursa pastoris*

Common Name: Shepherd's Purse

Medicinal part: Aerial part

Description: *Capsella bursa-pastoris*, known by its common name shepherd's purse because of its triangular flat fruits which are purse-like, is a small (up to 0.5 m) annual and ruderal flowering plant in the mustard family Brassicaceae. It is native to eastern Europe and Asia minor but is naturalized and considered a common weed in many parts of the world, especially in colder climates, including British Isles where it is regarded as an archaeophyte, North America and China but also in the Mediterranean and North Africa.



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