

Distinguishing *Potentilla nivea* and *Potentilla villosa*: A Systematic Approach

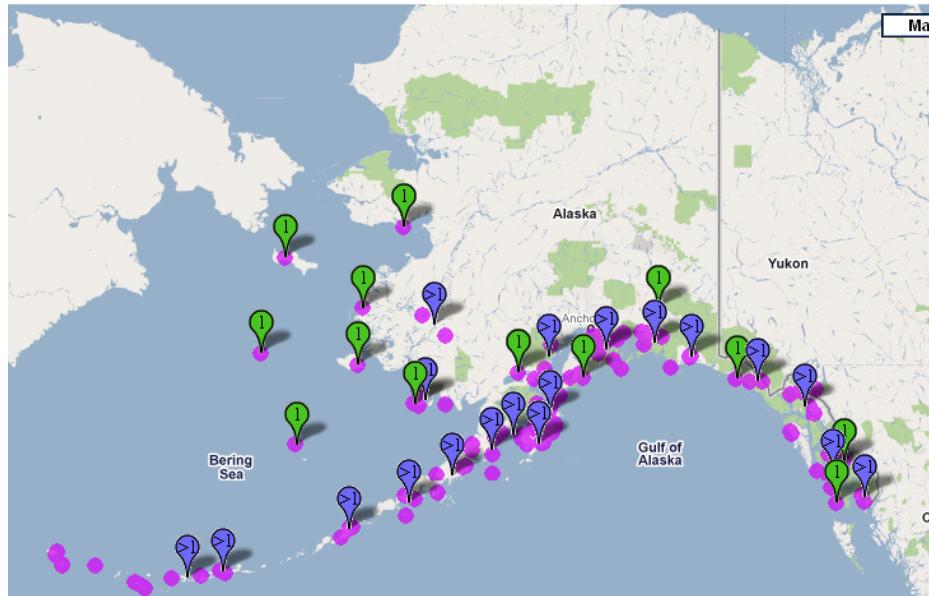
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Potentilla villosa



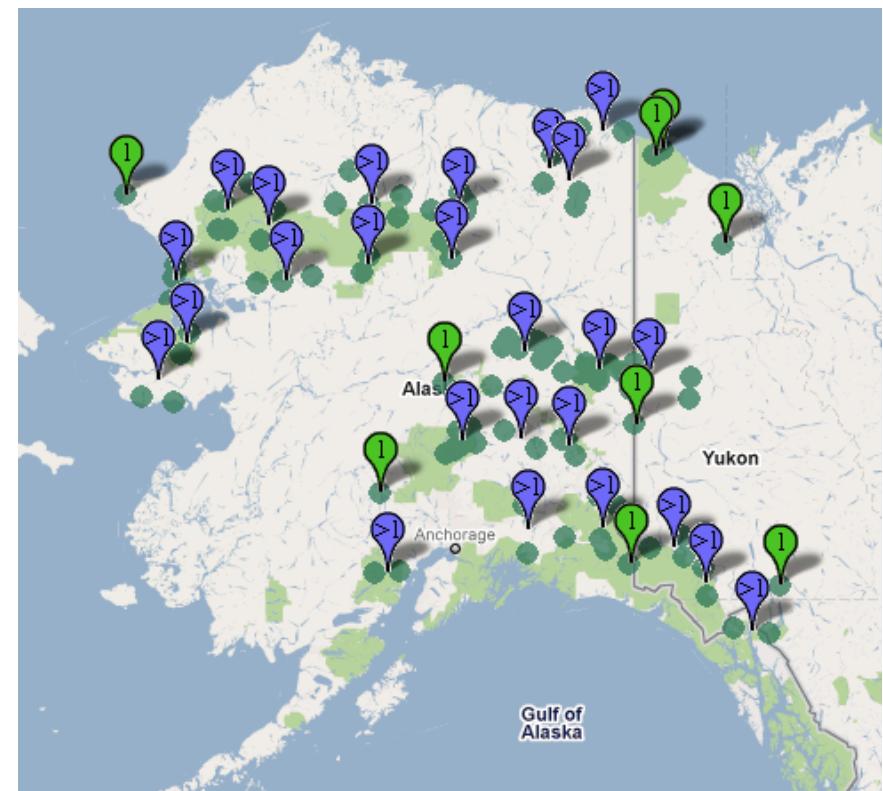
Potentilla nivea

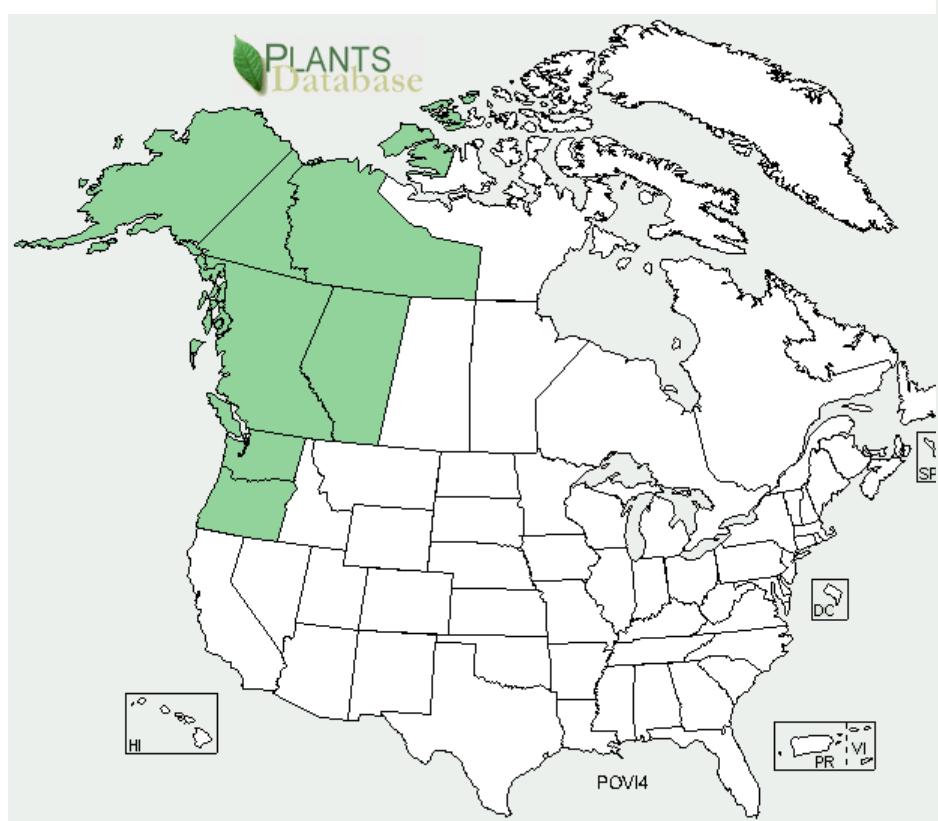


Potentilla villosa

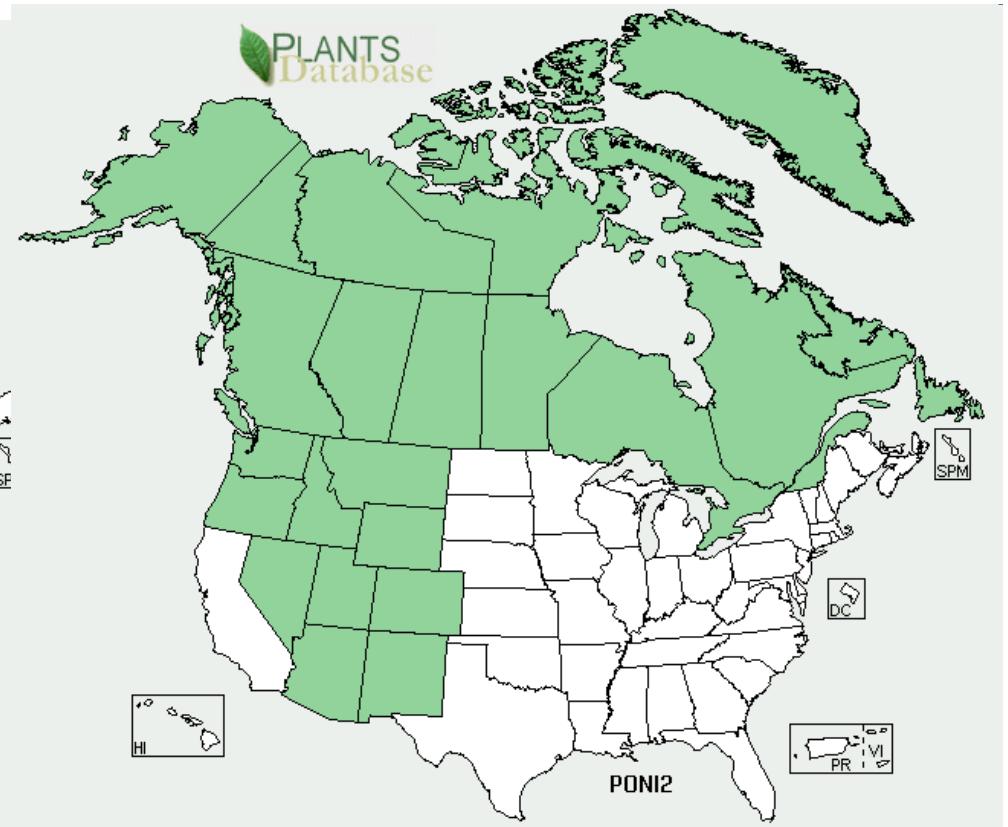
UA Museum Herbarium
sample locations

Potentilla nivea





Potentilla villosa



Potentilla nivea

Potentilla nivea and *Potentilla villosa*



- Leaves only abaxially pubescent or with slight adaxial pubescence
 - no pubescence immediately below stem leaves
 - calyx and epicalyx differing-lanceolate-ovate-elliptic



- Leaves adaxially and abaxially pubescent
- Pubescence present below stem leaves
- Calyx and epicalyx ovate-elliptic

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