FIELD BINDWEED

Convolvulus arvenis

Illinois Wildflowers

Mature Height	2 to 4 finches	**Soil Type**	Most Indiana soils
Mature Spread	3 to 4 feet long vines	**Flower Color**	White, some pink
Mature Form	Vines on ground and vegetation	**Foliage Color**	Green
Growth Rate	Rapid	**Fall Color**	Green into late fall
Sun Exposure	Prefers full sun		
Soil Moisture	Moist to fairly dry		

Field bindweed is a perennial reproduces by seed and rootstocks. Seed may stay viable in the soil for several years. The root system is extensive, extending to a depth of 20 to 30 feet. The smooth, slender stems twine or spread over the soil and on vegetation. The blooming period can occur from late spring to early fall, and can span several months, even though individual flowers persist for only a single day, usually opening during the morning and closing by late afternoon. A hairless and well-rounded seed capsule about ¼" long replaces each flower; each 2-celled capsule contains 4 seeds. Control is by cultivation or use of many herbicides labeled for use on field bindweed.

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