

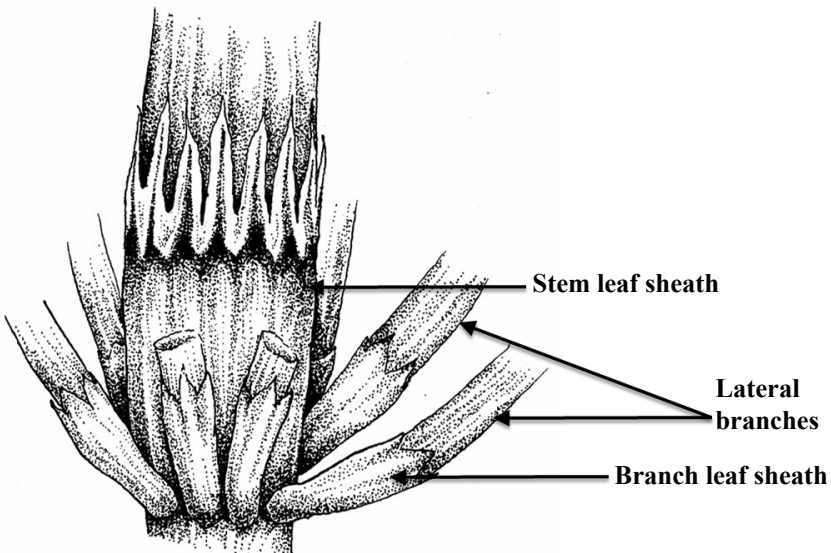
**Common *Equisetum* sp. of the  
Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain**



\*Caution-This is a limited species key  
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**Equisetum Key**

- 1. Lateral branches off the stem branched.....*E. sylvaticum*
- 1. Lateral branches either not branched or lacking
  - 2. Stems lacking lateral branches.
    - 3. Stem leaf sheaths with ash grey band, stem coarse to touch.....*E. hymale*
    - 3. Stem leaf sheaths black, not ash grey; stem smooth to touch.....*E. laevigatum*
  - 2. Stems with lateral branches.
    - 4. Stems brownish, fleshy and short lived in the spring  
.....*E. arvense*
    - 4. Stems greenish and firm, lasting through the growing season.
      - 5. Strobili present in the summer when plant is green  
.....*E. fluviatile*
      - 5. Strobili absent in summer when the plant is green  
.....*E. arvense*



*Equisetum arvense*  
Field Horsetail (FAC)



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*Equisetum fluviatile*  
Water Horsetail (OBL)



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*Equisetum hyemale*  
Tall Scouring-Rush (FACW)



*Equisetum laevigatum*  
Smooth Scouring-Rush (FAC)





*Equisetum sylvaticum*  
Woodland Horsetail (FACW)



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