

Teasel

(Dipsacus sp.)







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General	Family: Dipsacaceae Biennial Native of Europe Introduced to North America in 1700's		
Habitat	Found in pastures, rangeland, right-of-ways, ditch banks, and disturbed areas. Moist to dry, fertile soil.		
PLANT			
Vegetation	Mature plants are 2-8 feet tall. The leaves are oblong, hairy Clasps the stem, forming cup-like structures		
Roots	Thick taproot		
Flower	Color: Purple and white Season: Flowers June through October Each plant produces about 3300 seeds Upward curving stiff bracts below flowerheads		
Seed 3300 per plant. Seed drops from mother plant May be transported by birds Most germinate in first season			
Seedling	Seedlings live for a year or more before bolting		
Reproduction	Seed		



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CONTROL			
BIOLOGICAL	None		
CHEMICAL	Rosette	2,4-D Escort RoundUp/Rodeo	Spring or Fall
CULTURAL	Prevention - Maintain health of site Cultivation Seedhead removal (Dispose of seedheads) Removal of rosette		
MECHANICAL			
Burning	Late-Spring (New populations)		
Grazing	N/A		
Mowing	Repeated before flower formation		

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