

Plant-out-of-place Purple Foxglove



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EXOTIC SHRUB Portuguese Broom

(*Cytisus striatus*)

Description

- Long-lived shrub 6-9 ft tall
- Slender 8- to 10-angled stems
- Pale yellow pea-like flowers borne singularly or in pairs
- Small leaves of 1-3 leaflets
- Mature seed pods fat, densely hairy
- Branches green when young, turning brown with age

Habitat

- Coastal prairie, coastal scrub, oak savannah, and open-canopy woodlands

Don't confuse with...

Scotch Broom

(*Cytisus scoparius*) which has:

- Many dark yellow flowers
- Fewer angles on stems
- Seed pods thin, only hairy around edges
- Also a plant-out-of-place



Portuguese Broom
flower and seedpod



Scotch Broom
flower and seedpod

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EXOTIC HERB Woolly Distaff Thistle

(*Carthamus lanatus*)



Description

- Erect annual plant to 3 ft tall
- Yellow flower heads with red veins $\frac{3}{4}$ in wide, surrounded by spiny modified leaves up to 2 in
- Leaves with deep lobes and spines
- Stems single on the bottom half and branched on the top
- No stem wings
- Young plants form a rosette (circular cluster of leaves)

Habitat

- Disturbed areas, seeds are moved by animals and machinery

Don't confuse with...

Yellow Starthistle

(*Centaurea solstitialis*)

which has:

- Unlobed upper leaves
- A grey appearance
- Thin spines around flower



Yellow Starthistle flower

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EXOTIC HERB Foxglove

(*Digitalis purpurea*)

Description

- Erect perennial plant that grows to 5 ft
- Showy pinkish purple or white bell-shaped flowers with spots on the inside lower portion
- Young plants form a rosette (circular cluster of leaves)
- 2nd-year plants produce tall stalks of flowers

Habitat

- Moist meadows and roadsides
- Found in wildflower seed mixes—do not “dump” these seeds or garden cuttings near wild areas!



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