

Southwest Oregon's Most Wanted Invasive Species

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Knapweeds



Diffuse knapweed



Meadow knapweed



Russian knapweed



Spotted knapweed



Squarrose knapweed

Knapweeds will be found as a basal rosette in fall and winter. They bolt in May, and flower from June until August

Leafy spurge

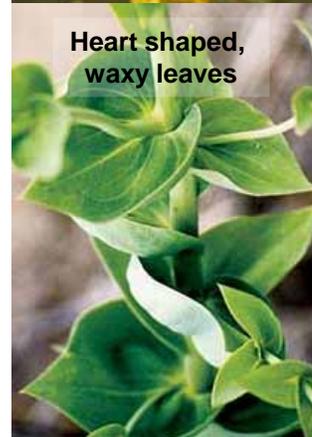


Look for **leafy spurge** after May, (when the bracts turn yellowish-green). Look in disturbed sites, including stream banks, prairies, savannas, and roadside areas

Dalmation toadflax



Snapdragon-like flowers



Heart shaped, waxy leaves



vertical floral stems 2.5 to 4.5 ft tall

Please look for **Dalmation Toadflax** in May and June before seed set.

Rush skeletonweed



Rubbery leaves



Photo courtesy BC Ministry of Forests

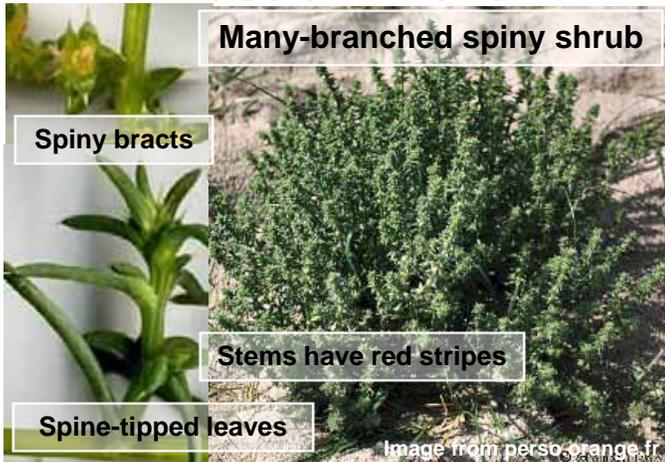


Downward bent spines on the stem

Lateral lobes of leaves point backwards

Rush skeletonweed flowers and sets seed July – September. Look for basal rosettes in late fall/early winter when it can be more easily controlled.

Russian thistle



Russian thistle blooms from July through October, and breaks off to form "tumbleweeds" at maturity. It grows along roadsides, trails, and in moist areas.

Puncture vine



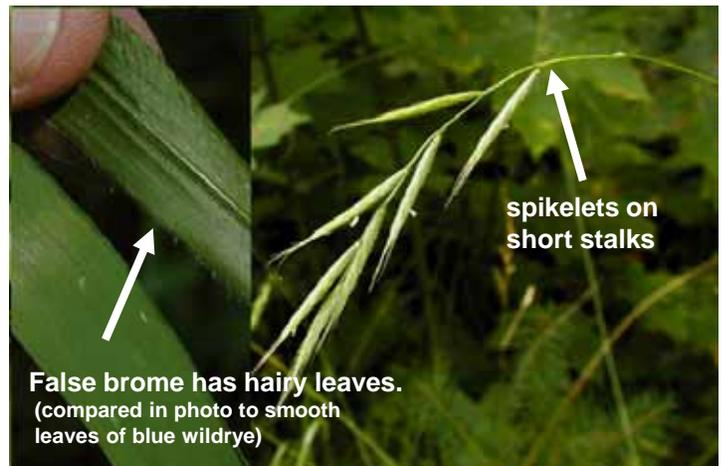
Puncture vine can be found from late spring through autumn. It is in bloom from July through October.

White top hoary cress



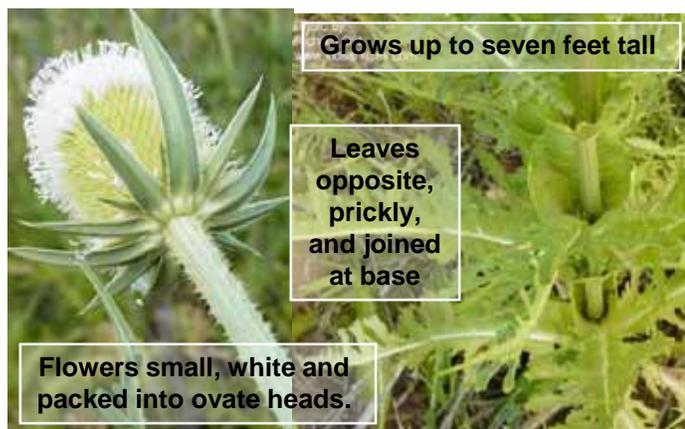
White Top Hoary Cress is easiest to find in early May when flowering. Look in unshaded disturbed areas such as along roadsides and ditch banks

False brome



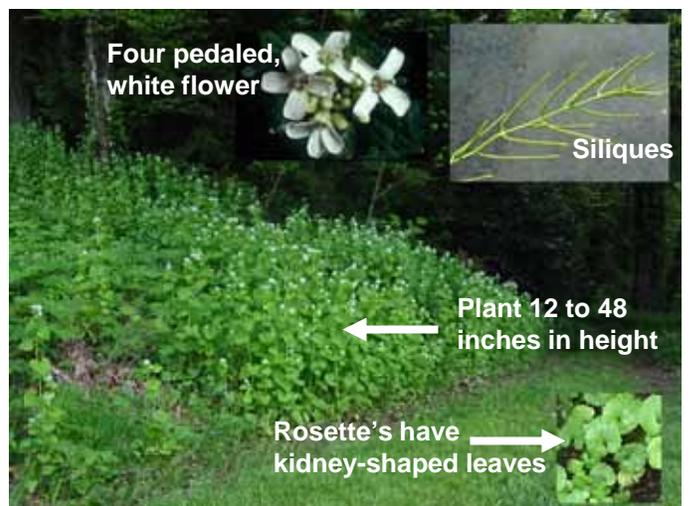
False Brome is found in coniferous forest understory, riparian forest understory, forest edges, and upland prairies.

Cutleaf Teasel



Cutleaf teasel flowers from July to September and is found in grasslands, savannahs and waste areas.

Garlic Mustard



Garlic Mustard is found in forest understory and edges, shaded roadside, floodplains, and agricultural lands. Flowers in early spring. Rosettes can be found year round.

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Scotch thistle



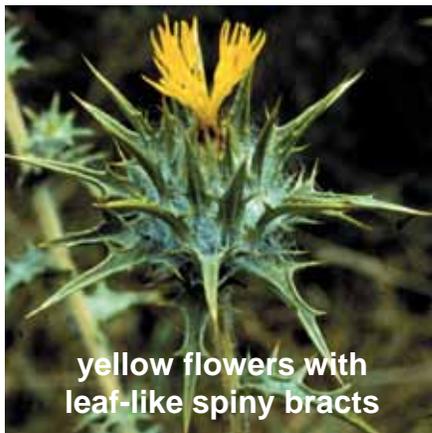
Stems have vertical rows of spiny, ribbon-like leaf material ("wings")

Musk thistle



Look for smooth waxy leaves with yellowish spine at the tip

Woolly distaff



yellow flowers with leaf-like spiny bracts

Italian Thistle



Stems have spiny wings

Purple-pink flower in clusters of up to 5.

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Look for **thistles** in wet meadows, streams, pastures, fields, and rangeland. Rosettes can be found throughout the growing season, flowering occurs mid summer.

Giant and Japanese Knotweed



•Leaf shape depends on species

•White flowers emerge in late summer

•Green bamboo like stems.



Knotweed resembles bamboo with very broad leaves. Look for it along creeks and rivers. Urge private landowners with knotweed to call for assistance.