

Crupina, Common
Crupina vulgaris
Asteraceae (Sunflower Family)

Category:

Prohibited Noxious



- **Life cycle:** Winter annual.
- **Root:** Short taproot.
- **Leaves:** Fleshy oval seedling leaves widest near the tip, with distinct purple midrib. Rosette and stem leaves pinnately lobed with short stiff spines, alternate and smaller toward the apex.
- **Stems:** One main stem 30-90cm tall, branch several times.
- **Flower:** One to five, 1.5cm long flower heads at branch tips or in upper leaf axils. Narrow (length three to four times greater than width) rose-purple petals.
- **Seed/Fruit:** A ring of dark, stiff bristles encircle the seed.

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