

# Weld County Field Guide – Native Annuals I

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Annual Pricklypoppy have white flowers and yellow sap when broken open.

Southwest Colorado Wildflowers, Al Schneider



Annual pricklypoppy leaves have spines and blue green color with white veins.



Southwest Colorado Wildflowers, Al Schneider

Annual pricklypoppy seed heads.

Jan Samanek, State Phytosanitary Administration, Bugwood.org



Common cocklebur seedlings



David J. Moorhead, Univ. of Georgia, Bugwood.org

Common cocklebur larger plants



Common cocklebur seeds on the bottom, wild licorice seeds on top



Buffalobur – has yellow flowers



Buffalobur – is very spiny



Buffalobur rosettes look like small oak leaves when they first germinate in mid summer





Mareostail/Horseweed:  
never really flowers  
anything noticeable.



Mareostail/Horseweed



Mareostail/Horseweed:  
contains tannic acid and gallic  
acid that may cause skin and  
mucosal irritation.



Redroot Pigweed



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Common Knotweed infestation



Common Knotweed can have  
both white and pink colored  
flowers



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Marshelder



Marsh elder, commonly grows between 3-8 feet high.



Also called, horseweed, false ragweed, giant marshelder.



Snow on the Mountain



All parts of snow on the mountain are poisonous if ingested. Handling plant may cause skin irritation or allergic reaction.



Snow on the mountain infestation.

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Giant Ragweed

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Giant Ragweed is a native annual plant from 3-12' tall

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This huge plant is probably an allergy sufferer's worst nightmare.

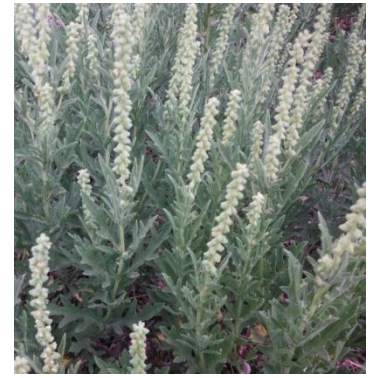




Common Ragweed



Common ragweed is a native annual plant up to 3' tall and branching frequently.



The small flowers are initially green, but later turn yellowish green or brown as they mature.



Umbrella Plant Seeds



The Umbrella plant has white to bright pink flowers in round heads on leafless stems.



Fetid Marigold



The strong odor of the fetid marigold plant discourages their consumption by livestock.

Fetid marigold is a member of the sunflower family.

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