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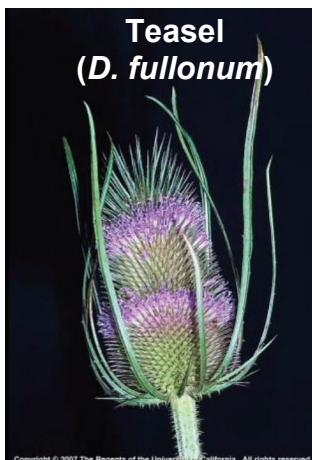
Teasel



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(Dipsacus fullonum)



Fuller's teasel (*Dipsacus sativus*)



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(*Dipsacus fullonum* & *D. sativus*)

Mature Size Shoulder



Description

- Up to 6 ft. plant with stiff prickly stems topped by a 1½-4 in. long cylindrical flowerhead often with a circle of lavender petals
- Narrow spines below flowerheads curve upwards; as flowerheads dry and petals fall off, a cone of hard spines remains
- Wrinkled, opposite leaves are prickly underneath along a distinct white midvein
- Up to 18 in. leaves merge at the stem, forming a “cup” that holds water
- Is a low-growing rosette the first year
- Reproduces by seed
- Spread by wind, water, animals, horticulture
- Native to Europe, Asia, and North Africa



Bloom Period Jun - Aug

Habitat Coastal prairie, grassland, moist sites, disturbed



2-Minute Removal Dig

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