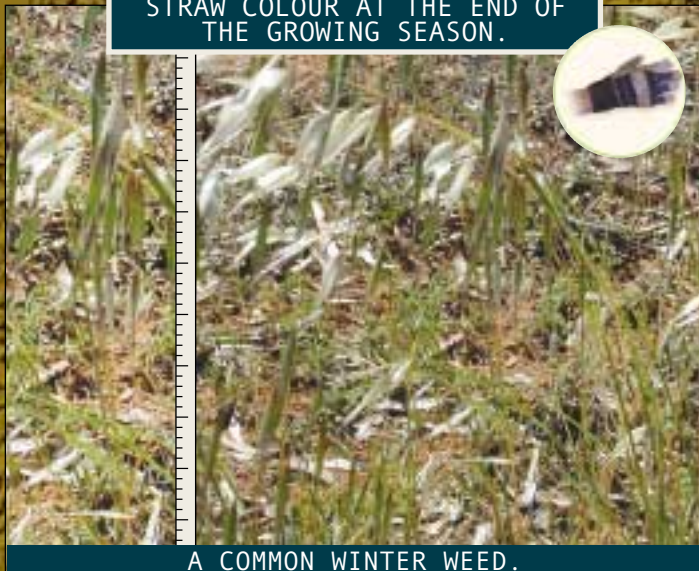


GARDEN WEEDS

WILD OATS (Avena fatua)
LONG STEMS GROWING FROM A CLUMP OF GRASS. HAIRY SEEDS QUICKLY FORM ALONG THE STEM AND THE PLANT TURNS A STRAW COLOUR AT THE END OF THE GROWING SEASON.



A COMMON WINTER WEED.

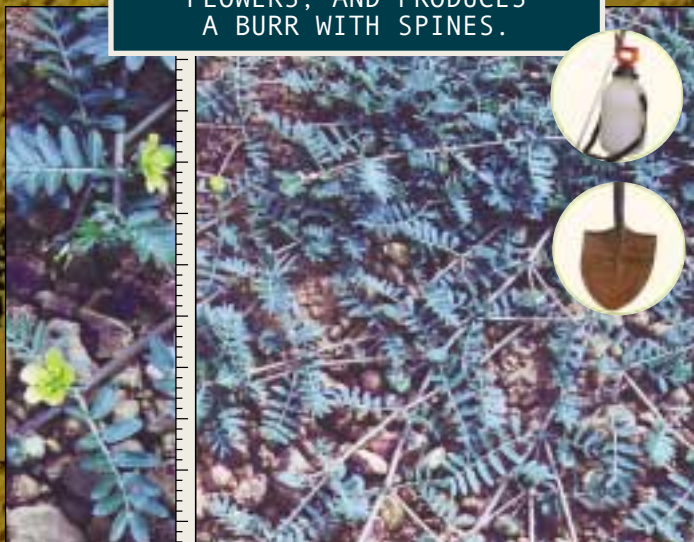
Wild Oats can be easily pulled.

MARSHMALLOW WEED (Malva parviflora)
A LOW GROWING ANNUAL WITH PALE MAUVE, PINK OR WHITE FLOWERS THAT APPEAR IN SPRING.



A COMMON WEED OF URBAN GARDENS. A HARD WEED TO PULL OUT.

CALTROP (Tribulus terrestris)
A SPREADING, PROSTRATE PLANT THAT HAS SMALL YELLOW FLOWERS, AND PRODUCES A BURR WITH SPINES.

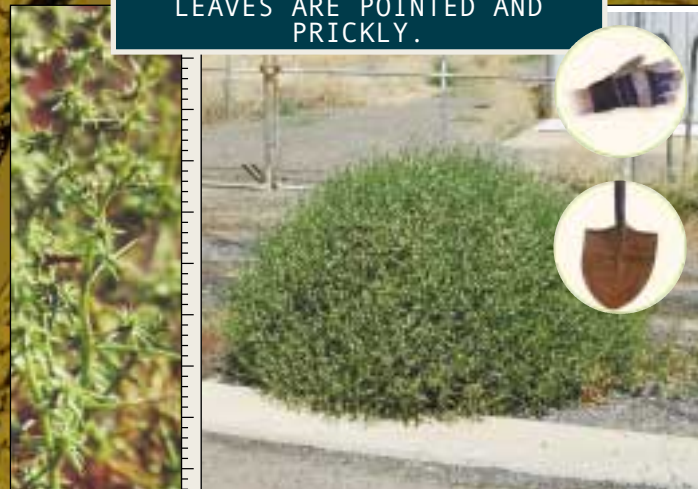


VERY COMMON AROUND KALGOORLIE-BOULDER. CAN BE FOUND IN GARDENS, ALONG THE EDGES OF THE GRIBBLE CREEK PATHWAY AND ON VERGES.

People often confuse caltrop with doublegee. Doublegee does not actually grow in Kalgoorlie-Boulder or the surrounding Goldfields. What people generally think is doublegee-is in fact caltrop.

Caltrop germinates after rain and high temperatures of more than 30°C. It only takes three weeks to flower and seed.

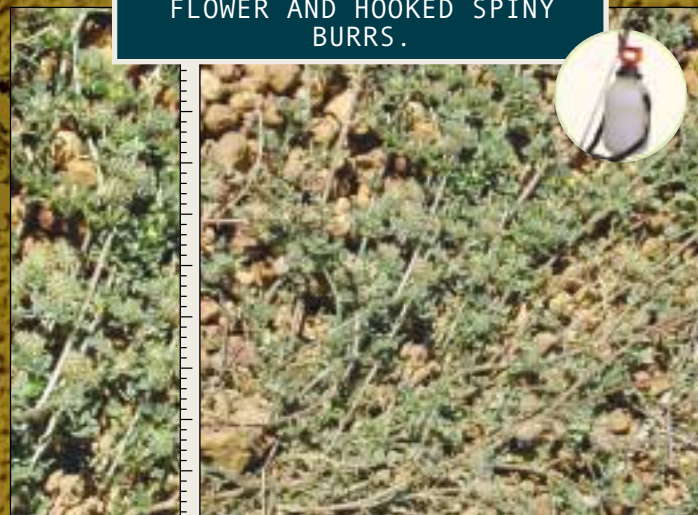
ROLY POLY (Salsola tragus)
A LUSH GREEN SHRUB THAT GROWS ROUNDED TO APPROXIMATELY 60CM. THE LEAVES ARE POINTED AND PRICKLY.



A SUMMER WEED THAT CAN BE FOUND GROWING IN THE URBAN GARDEN, ON VERGES AND IN AGRICULTURAL CROPS.

Also known as tumbleweed because when the shrub dries out, it snaps off at the base and tumbles along the ground in the wind.

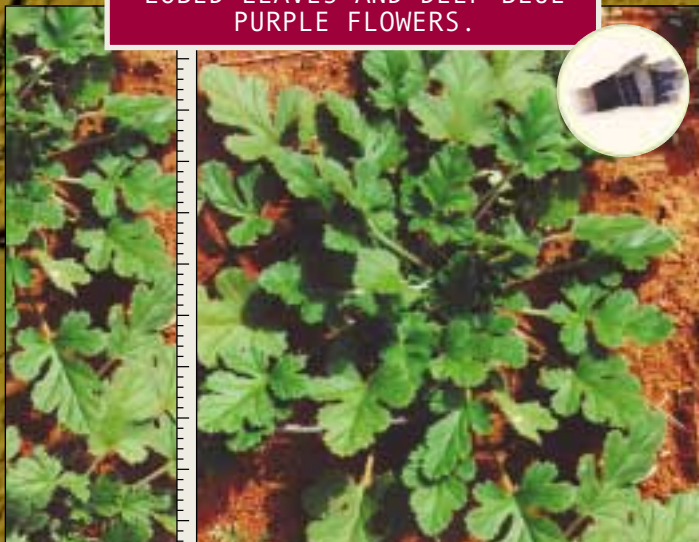
BURR MEDIC (Medicago polymorpha or Medicago minima)
PRODUCES A SMALL YELLOW FLOWER AND HOOKED SPINY BURRS.



A SUMMER ANNUAL THAT IS FOUND GROWING IN LAWNS AND URBAN GARDENS. BURRS EASILY STICK TO SOCKS AND CLOTHING.

BUSH WEEDS

CROWSFOOT OR CORKSCREW (Erodium cicutarium)
COVERS 1m OR MORE IN DIAMETER. IT HAS GREEN LOBED LEAVES AND DEEP BLUE PURPLE FLOWERS.



A SMALL ANNUAL THAT SPREADS OVER THE GROUND.

The mature fruiting body splits into five sharply pointed seed cases. Each seed is attached to a long, spirally-twisted bristle (corkscrew) which, with changing weather drives the seed into the ground.

MINTWEED (Salvia reflexa)
IT HAS A FELT LIKE COVERING OF GREY HAIRS AND PRODUCES PALE BLUE FLOWERS IN SPRING AND SUMMER.



AN ANNUAL HERB WHICH HAS A STRONG MINTY AROMA WHEN CRUSHED.

PATERSON'S CURSE OR SALVATION JANE (Echium plantagineum) EASILY IDENTIFIED BY ITS NUMEROUS PURPLE FLOWERS WHICH APPEAR IN LATE WINTER AND SPRING.

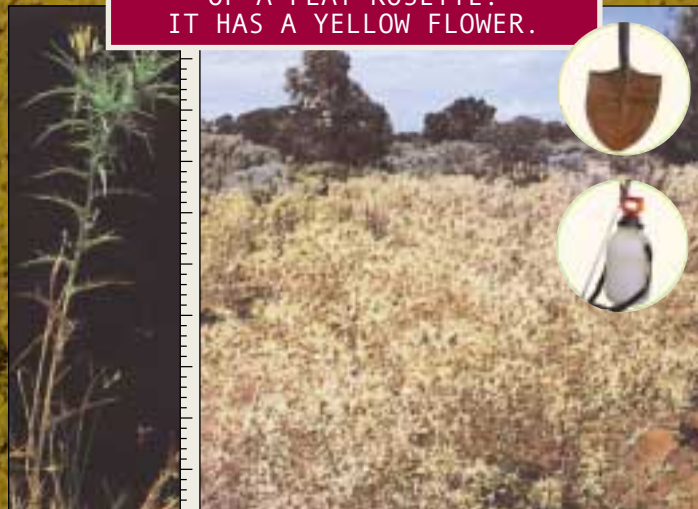


A LARGE, COURSE, BRISTLY ANNUAL.

Remember

It is important to remove weeds **BEFORE** they start to seed.

SAFFRON THISTLE (Cirsium lanatum) GERMINATING IN WINTER, BY SPRING A TINY STEM EMERGES FROM THE CROWN OF A FLAT ROSETTE. IT HAS A YELLOW FLOWER.



SAFFRON THISTLE IS DECLARED A NOXIOUS WEED THROUGHOUT WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

The thistle becomes dry and stiff at the end of the season. Seeds can remain dormant in the soil for eight years. Try digging plants up with a shovel. Remember to dispose of saffron thistle carefully and remove before it starts to seed.

Do not attempt to pull this weed out. The spines can cause serious damage.