

Mediterranean sage

Salvia aethiopsis

Lamiaceae, the mint family

Category: Control

Background:

- Introduced from Europe
- Inflorescence tumbles with wind
- Produces 50 to 100,00 seeds per plant
- Associated with dry areas
- Found from grasslands to open Ponderosa Pine communities

Description:

- Biennial, mature plant can reach 3 feet tall
- Leaves ovate to triangular, irregularly lobed, 4 to 12 inches long
- Stems, new leaves, and leaf lower surfaces are densely covered with fine, white woolly hairs.
- Flowering stems highly branched near the top into broad panicles with whorls of 5-10 flowers.
- Flowers white to yellowish



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