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Toadflax

Linaria vulgaris

Life cycle: Herbaceous spreading perennial.

Leaves: Alternate, simple, with smooth edges and a characteristic arrowhead-shaped.

Stems: Mostly unbranched, 12 to 24 inches tall, and light green. Originate from below ground and can form dense patches.

Flowers and fruit: Flowers are showy yellow and produced through the summer in clusters on the tops of stems. They are similar in shape to the flowers on cultivated garden snapdragons.

Reproduction: Plants spread to new areas by seed, but once established individual plants can quickly expand into a mat through an extensive system of roots that give rise to new shoots.

Similar weeds

Oldfield toadflax is a closely related species that is shorter lived.



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