

Thornapple

Datura ferox

Thornapple is declared a Class A (to be eradicated) and Class C (not to be introduced) weed in the Northern Territory.

Thornapple is a declared weed in accordance with the *Weed Management Act*.

HABIT



Prefers disturbed sites and fertile soils.

Spread by vehicles, pasture seeds and grain.

STEMS & BRANCHES



An erect annual plant that grows to 1.5m.

LEAVES



Leaves are oval shaped, with serrated edges and pointed lobes.

FLOWERS



Solitary white trumpet-shaped flowers with petals 6-10cm long form in the forks of the branched stems.

Flowering time: February to June.

FRUIT & SEEDS



Easily distinguished by round, spiny fruit.

Fruit are filled with numerous black kidney shaped seeds.

Weed Management Officers from the Weed Management Branch can provide advice on all aspects of weed management including control techniques, biological control, legislative responsibilities, policy advice, monitoring and reporting and regional planning. For further information on weed management planning, integrated control, herbicide application techniques and monitoring please refer to the [NT Weed Management Handbook](#).