Weed Alert!
Portuguese broom

www.cal-ipc.org
Portuguese broom
(*Cytisus striatus*)

**Mature Size**  Shoulder

**Description**
- Long-lived shrub 6-9 ft. tall
- Slender, angled stems have 8-10 ribs and are round in cross-section
- Pale yellow pea-like flowers borne singularly or in pairs
- Small leaves of 1-3 leaflets
- Seed pods fat and densely hairy
- Reproduces by seed and resprouts from root crown when damaged
- Spread by roads, mining, horticulture
- Native to Spain and Portugal

**Bloom Period**  May - Aug

**Habitat**  Grassland, scrub, sandy areas

**2-Minute Removal**  Dig