

Weed Alert! Big periwinkle



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(*Vinca major*)

Mature Size Ground



Description

- 8-18 in. herbaceous perennial groundcover with lavender-blue flowers
- Solitary 5-petaled, funnel-shaped flowers are 1-2 in. wide
- Flowers grow on tips of thin stalks and resemble pin-wheels
- Leaves are opposite with smooth edges
- Glossy dark-green, leathery leaves are oval-shaped and ½-3½ in. long
- Somewhat woody with trailing stems up to 3 ft. long
- Produces a milky sap
- Reproduces vegetatively by rooting at stem nodes and from stem fragments
- Spread by wind, waterways, horticulture
- Native to Europe and the Mediterranean region



Bloom Period Jan - May

Habitat Coastal scrub, marsh and swamp, riparian, oak woodland, coniferous forest



2-Minute Removal Dig

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