Common Teasel





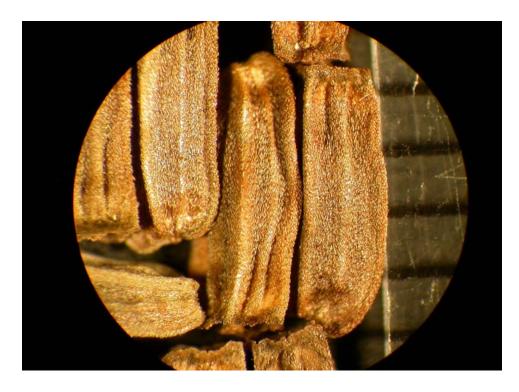
Common teasel is similar in appearance to cut-leaf teasel except the flowers are pale purple in color. Flowers are subtended by sharp, stiff bracts. Bottom photo courtesy of Missouri Department of Transportation.





Habitat. Common teasel is most often found along Missouri's roadsides where it has escaped ornamental wreaths placed in cemeteries.





Seed. Seed have a ribbed appearance and are covered with short brownish hairs. Length is approximately $4.0\ \mathrm{mm}$.

Life cycle: biennial.