

Yellow foxglove

Digitalis grandiflora

Description

All parts of the plant are highly toxic.

Habit

Herbaceous, grows to a height of 2-3 ft with a spread of 1-1.5 ft, clump forming.

Leaves

Finely-toothed, medium green in color; ovate-lanceolate leaves (10 in long and 2 in wide), ones that appear on the basal rosettes are largest, becoming smaller as they rise up the stems.

Stems

Ridged; upright.

Flowers

Large, tubular, funnel-shaped, pendulous, soft, yellow flowers that are up to 2 in long, interior brown markings, bloom in terminal racemes that are up to 12 in long; blooms May through June.

Fruits and Seeds





Fruits are septicidal capsules.

Habitat

Native to southern Europe. Grows well in organically rich, consistently moist soils.

Reproduction

By self-seeding.

Similar

Straw foxglove (*Digitalis lutea*) and species of Beardtongue (*Penstemon* spp.).

Monitoring and Rapid Response

Hand-pulling can be effective; herbicides more effective with large infestations.

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