

Black henbane

Hyoscyamus niger

Description

Toxic to most animals and humans but is known to have medicinal properties.

Habit

Annual or biennial, depending on location, that can reach a height of 3 feet.

Leaves

Pungent, alternate, simple, toothed, up to 8 inches long and 6 inches wide.

Stems

Upright, hairs between the nodes, growing up to 3 feet tall.

Flowers

Cream to green in color, five-lobed, 2 inches wide with purple throats.

Fruits and Seeds

Small, black in color, dry and splits open when ripe. Capable of producing up to half a million seeds.





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Habitat

Native to Africa, parts of Asia and Europe. Can be found in disturbed sites and coastal beaches.

Reproduction

By seed.

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