

## Invasive Species Field ID

### Scabiosa atropurpurea L.

**Family:** Dipsacaceae

**Common Name(s):** Mourningbride, Pincushions, Sweet scabious

**Duration:** Annual

**Habit:** Forb/Herb

**USDA Plants:** [SCAT](#)

**Description:** Rosette-forming annual or biennial plant with opposite, pinnately-dissected, simple leaves. Inflorescence a many-flowered head on a long peduncle; corollas generally lavender, pink or whitish.

**Ecological Threat:** In areas where *S. atropurpurea* has naturalized it has tended to form monocultures.

**Resembles/Alternatives:** *Scabiosa stellata* [L.], known to naturalize only in California. Stem shaggy-hairy; corollas blue.

