

Puncture Vine, *Tribulus terrestris*



Identification: Prostrate, pubescent annual. Pinnately compound opposite leaves with oblong leaflets. Solitary yellow flowers in leaf axils. Fruit is a small, spiny capsule

Habitat: Waste areas and roadsides

Animals Affected: All livestock

Toxin Family: Steroidal sapogenins and physical injury

Other: Causes insoluble crystalloid substance in bile ducts, blocking the biliary system and causing photosensitivity. Can also cause neurological symptoms and incomplete paralysis. Burrs are injurious to livestock and humans