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PRICKLY LETTUCE

Lactuca serriola

IDENTIFICATION TIPS

- ▶ This winter annual's leaves form in a basal rosette.
- ▶ It produces an upright stem with alternating, deeply lobed leaves, which feature a row of spines along the mid-vein of the lower surface.
- ▶ Its deep tap root will secrete a milky sap.
- ▶ Small, yellow flowers appear in late spring to early summer.

CONTROL TIPS

- ▶ Prickly lettuce is a weed commonly found in container plantings and nurseries. For optimum weed control and plant safety on a broad range of ornamentals, apply a pre-emergent herbicide that contains isoxaben.
- ▶ Till the area prior to planting, or pull any existing seedlings prior to pre-emergent herbicide application.

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ANNUAL SOWTHISTLE

Sonchus oleraceus

IDENTIFICATION TIPS

- ▶ This annual's bluish/green leaves form a rosette, deeply lobed with prickly spines on the margin.
- ▶ Yellow flowers, similar to dandelion, appear in mid- to late summer — but they form on a branched stalk vs. a hollow, solitary stem.
- ▶ Has a tap root, and all plant parts exude a milky sap when broken.
- ▶ It's often confused with prickly lettuce, but does not have spines along the mid-vein.

CONTROL TIPS

- ▶ For optimum control, apply a pre-emergent herbicide, such as isoxaben, that is labeled for control of annual sowthistle.
- ▶ Pre-emergence herbicides must be applied before weeds germinate. Any existing annual sowthistle must be physically or chemically removed prior to pre-emergent herbicide application.
- ▶ Tilling of a landscape bed prior to planting and herbicide application will improve control of annual sowthistle.

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