

# COMMON WEED & NATIVE GRASSES of Portola Valley.

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'BLANDO' BROME or Soft chess -- Common in dry soils, can grow short or tall -- WEED.



BRACHYPODIUM [Brack-kee-poh-dee-um] Short grass 6" tall, killer of wildflowers -- WEED



FOXTAILS -- Grows along trails or in poor soils. Problems for pets when seeds ripen -- WEED.



ITALIAN RYEGRASS -- Commonly planted in pastures or in lawns -- WEED.



**RIPGUT BROME** -- Common in poor soils, grows in both sun and shade – WEED.



**WILD OATS** -- Probably California's most common European grass, likes rich soil—WEED.

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## PORTOLA VALLEY NATIVE GRASSES



**BLUE WILD RYE.** One of the most common shade-loving grasses, under oaks—NATIVE.



**CALIFORNIA BROME** -- One of most common native grasses, both sun and shade—NATIVE.



**DANTHONIA** – Short plants only 2 inches tall, needs water underground in summer – NATIVE.



**PURPLE NEEDLEGRASS** – Used to be California's most common grass in the sun, an individual seed and the seed head shown without seeds, dropping their seeds when ripe in April. Purple needlegrass plants drawn on the California flag, underneath the Grizzly Bear – Native.

