



# MILIUM

**BOTANICAL NAME:** *Milium vernale*

## WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?

Milium is an erect annual winter grass growing up to 2 feet tall. Its leaves are up to 4 inches long and ¼ inch wide with veins that appear roughened. Its ligules are membranous, ¼ inch long, and auricles are lacking. Panicles are open, sparse, bright green to purplish, and up to 8 inches long.

## WHERE DOES IT GROW?

Milium comes from Southern Europe and Asia. It invades pastures and cultivated fields, particularly Winter Wheat. It has not yet been reported in Kootenai County, if you find it please report it as soon as possible to Kootenai County Noxious Weed Control so we can map its location and prevent it from establishing in our County.

## CONTROL:

Spring tillage is reported to be effective in controlling Milium. Currently, no herbicides are labeled for its control, and no biocontrol agents are registered for it.



**WANT TO KNOW MORE? – Contact:**

**Kootenai County Noxious Weed Control**  
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208-446-1290

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