



**Common tansy**  
*Tanacetum vulgare*



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<b>General</b>	Family: Sunflower (Asteraceae) Introduced from Eurasia <b>Colorado List B - ERADICATION REQUIRED IN JEFFCO</b>
<b>Common names</b>	Bitter Buttons, Mugwort, Golden Buttons
<b>Habitat</b>	Perennial forb Colony forming Found in fields, roadsides, disturbed sites Has been sold as an ornamental
PLANT	
<b>Vegetation</b>	2-5 feet tall Deeply lobed leaves 6 inches wide and 12 inches long Alternate on stem Strong smell when crushed
<b>Roots</b>	Rhizomes with wiry roots
<b>Flower</b>	June-August Yellow 1/4 - 3/4 inch wide 20-200 button shaped flowerheads in groups at end of stems
<b>Seed</b>	2500+ per plant
<b>Seedling</b>	Spring
<b>Reproduction</b>	Seed Rhizomes

<b>CONTROL – CHEMICAL</b>		
<i>Timing</i>	<i>Herbicide</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Spring to Summer Before Flowering	2,4D (various) Glyphosate (various)	Use of a surfactant is recommended for most herbicides to help increase contact with the vegetation and to facilitate herbicide uptake. Refer to the specific label for the appropriate type of surfactant.
Summer Bud stage or Flowering	Aminocyclopyrachlor + chlorsulfuron (Perspective) Aminopyralid (Milestone) Chlorsulfuron (Telar) Metsulfuron (Escort)	Refer to the individual label for allowed sites, specific timing, and restrictions about grazing and haying.  Formulations of more than one active ingredient may be available.  For established populations, control will take a few years so treatment will need to be repeated.
<b>CONTROL -- NON-CHEMICAL</b>		
<i>Technique</i>	<i>Timing</i>	<i>Method</i>
<b>Biological</b>	N/A	
<b>Burning</b>	N/A	
<b>Cultivation</b>	N/A	
<b>Grazing</b>	N/A	
<b>Mowing</b>	N/A	
<b>Prevention</b>	Anytime	Maintain the health of the site.
<b>Removal</b>	Spring-Summer When actively growing	Remove, bag, and dispose of in the trash or landfill. Make sure the entire rhizome is removed. Do not compost. Must be repeated as plants regrow and new plants germinate. Plants contain an oil (thujone) that can cause skin irritation or dermatitis. Wear long sleeves and gloves when handling.
	Pulling when plants are small results in less bulk and makes disposal easier. Pulling will disturb the soil so it may contribute to more of the seedbank to germinate.	

Use all chemicals according to the manufacturer's label. The label will provide specific instructions including allowed sites, application methods, rates, storage, re-entry requirements and personal protective equipment. No specific recommendation or endorsement is made or implied by listing the above methods or products. 9/2021