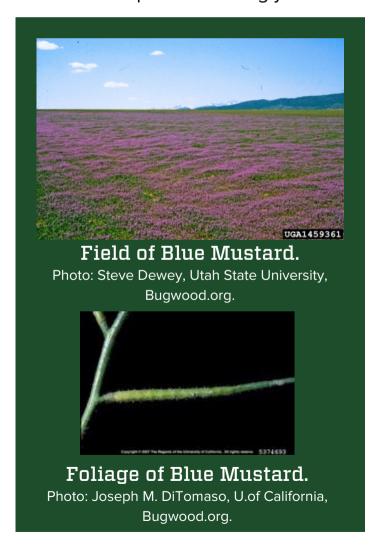
## Blue Mustard

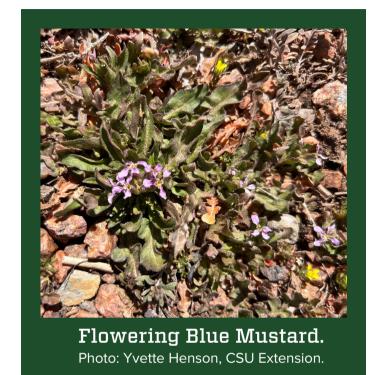




## Chorispora tenella, also known as purple mustard.

Blue mustard is an introduced species to Colorado, commonly found in groups in cultivated or waste areas. It reproduces by seed which germinates in late winter/early spring. Blue mustard takes on an upright to spreading form, growing up to 6-18". The plant has a shallow taproot and lavender, 4-petaled flowers that bloom in spring. The entire plants is strongly odorous.





To control blue mustard, dig, hoe, or pull up young plants. Mowing during early flowering is also effective in reducing seed production. Pre-emergent herbicides can be used to help to manage the existing seedbank. If necessary, broadleaf herbicides can be applied to young plants.

Using a surfactant, as per label instructions, will enhance herbicide uptake by waxy leaves. The mustard family can be resistant to many herbicides.

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