

# Shoestring Weed

Scientific name: *Psorealea lanceolata*

Common names: Devil's shoestring, German alfalfa

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Perennial

Leaf shape similar to  
alfalfa

Flowers in compact  
spikes on short stalks,  
bluish-white in color

Leaves have strong odor

Root system slender,  
tough

Shoestring weed is a perennial with a long, tough root system, from which new plants arise. It is found on range areas and cropland in the Midwest and east of the Cascades in Oregon.

Control: Limited research indicates that 20 pounds of TBA per acre gives 75% control.



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