

# Weeds



## *Do's*

- Keep on top of weeding your pots flowerbeds to prevent seeding
- Look at applying a bark mulch to the surface of your borders to prevent seeding weeds from growing
- Be methodical in your approach to targeting perennial weeds by safe and measured use of herbicides
- Consider targeting weeds with herbicide to then kill off the root system underground otherwise any tiny pieces of root will regrow and re-establish
- Hoe seeding weeds off during dry spells

## *Don'ts*

- Let weeds set seed as the saying goes "One years seeding is seven years weeding!"
- Be tempted to use groundcover to block perennial weeds as they will just grow around and through it
- Just apply herbicide in your border without using a spraying shield to stop drift hitting plants you don't want to kill
- Pull perennial weeds out as the roots left behind will simply regrow
- Put bark down on top of perennial weeds as they will grow through it

*"One year's seeding is seven years weeding"*

# Common Weeds



## BITTERCRESS

A small weed which grows on the surface flowering many times a year with small white flowers freely springing seed around. Remove by hand weeding out

## DANDELIONS

Long roots which will easily reshoot if detached from the plant. Kill with a targeted application of herbicide, don't let it set seed as it freely germinates

## PERENNIAL GRASS

Almost impossible to dig out and can easily infest clumps of perennials. Target with a glyphosate herbicide which will travel through the roots and kill the plant

## ANNUAL GRASS

Growing on the surface it can easily be weeded out just don't let it set seed, often round in lawns and can easily transfer into your flower beds

# Hard To Kill Weeds



## MARESTAIL

Around since the Dinosaurs and can root upto 30ft deep. Apply Kurtail Evo herbicide safely once the shoots are 20cm tall. Follow the recommended rate of use

## JAPANESE KNOTWEED

Impossible to dig out or kill by yourself, contact your local council as it is reportable and they will then get contractors to help eradicate it for you

## GROUND ELDER

Very stubborn with its herbicide resistant foliage. Cover it with several layers of weed fabric and place pots and gravel on-top or replace your topsoil. Roots 20cm down so its removable.

## CELANDINE

Emerging in early Spring it has to be targeted with herbicide once the leaves unfurl before it dies back and goes dormant through the Summer months. Spray in March



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