

Spinyhead sida

Sida acuta

Spinyhead sida is declared a Class B (growth and spread to be controlled) and Class C (not to be introduced) weed in the Northern Territory.

Spinyhead sida is a declared weed in accordance with the *Weeds Management Act*.

HABIT



Erect perennial shrub (sometimes annual), growing to a maximum height of 1.5m.

STEMS & BRANCHES



The stems are woody, branching several times with a well developed tap root.

LEAVES



The leaves are lance-shaped (tapered at both ends) with serrated margins that are 2 - 9cm long and 0.5 - 4cm wide.

FLOWERS



The flowers are yellow, usually solitary or growing in pairs.

FRUIT & SEED



Seed capsules divide into five to eight portions, each of which has two sharp points (awns) approximately 1.5mm long at one end.

Weed Management Officers from the Weed Management Branch can provide advice on all aspects of weed management including control techniques, biological control, legislative responsibilities, policy advice, monitoring and reporting and regional planning. For further information on weed management planning, integrated control, herbicide application techniques and monitoring please refer to the [NT Weed Management Handbook](#).