Saltmarsh False-Foxglove



NS General Status Rank: At Risk

SIZE: Up to 30 cm tall.

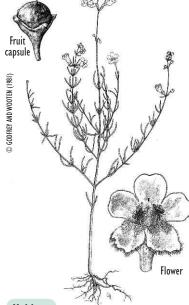
LEAVES: Straight and narrow (linear), fleshy (succulent), 5 cm long and up to 2 mm wide. Alternately arranged or paired (opposite) on the stem. The upper surface is sometimes rough and the leaf edges are smooth.

Flowering: July - September

STEM: Smooth and four-sided with some branching.

FLOWERS: Pink to purple (rarely white) and bell-shaped, with 2-10 mm long flower stalks. The flower pairs (typically 2-5 per plant) are mostly located near the top of the plant and bloom from the base upward.

FRUITS: Semi-round capsules (5-6 mm long) that contain bumpy, brown seeds.





Found only in salt marshes.

Interesting point: This species has been observed with white petals at one salt marsh in Yarmouth County.

Similar species: Nova Scotia False-Foxglove (Agalinis neoscotica, page 2) has wider leaves, flowers on many branches of the plant (not only near the top), and is found along lakeshores and in wetlands.







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Flowers in bud © MEGAN CROWLEY





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