## Milium vernale

## **Milium**

Other common names: early millet, spring milletgrass

Poaceae, the grass family Category: CONTAINMENT







## **Diagnostic Characteristics**

- Annual winter grass; erect in shape, and grows up to 2 feet tall
- Leaves are up to 4 inches long and ¼ inch wide with veins that appear roughened
- Ligules are membranous, ¼ inch long, and auricles are lacking
- Panicles are open, sparse, bright green to purplish, and up to 8 inches long

## **Background**

- Native to southern Europe and western Asia
- Inhabits winter wheat and pastures
- Reproduces by seed
- A significant weed issue in Europe for the winter wheat industry

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