

Astragalus molybdenus

LEADVILLE MILKVETCH



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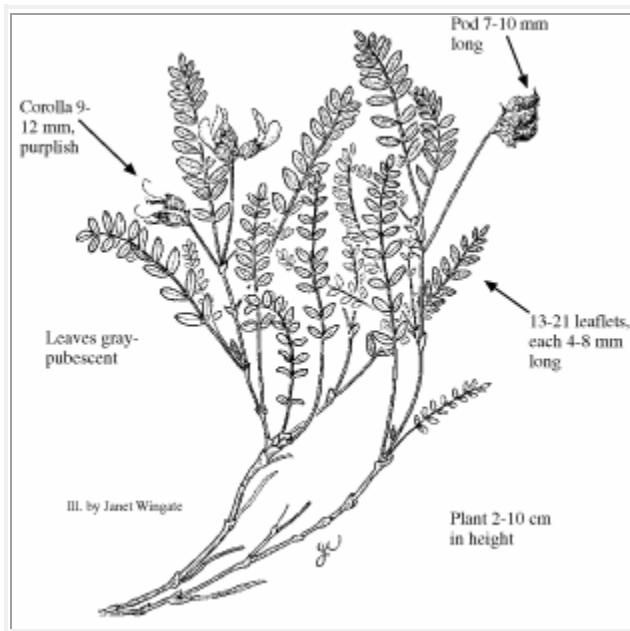


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Fabaceae (Pea Family)

Look Alikes: *A. alpinus*, *A. aboriginum* var. *glabriusculus*, and *A. robbinsii* var. *minor* are larger and stouter with stipitate pods. Pods of *A. alpinus* have much denser and longer black hairs. *A. aboriginum* var. *glabriusculus* has white flowers with a purple spot on the keel.

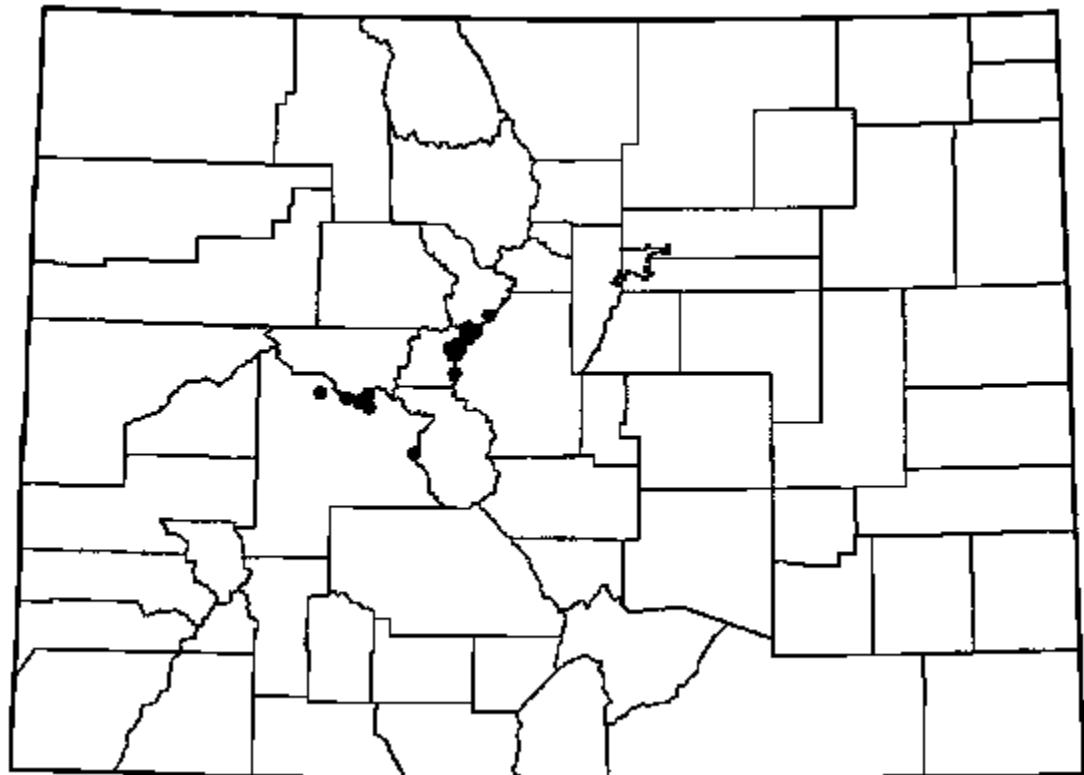
Flowering/Fruiting Period: July/July-August.

Habitat: Rocky slopes and turf hillsides above timberline. Usually on limestone.
Elev. 11,400-13,200 ft.



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Distribution: Colorado endemic (Lake, Park, Pitkin and Summit Cos.).



References: Barneby 1964; Harrington 1954.