Knapweed - Spotted & Diffuse







Spotted knapweed in abundance





Spotted knapweed in the flowering stage

Growing in dry soils such as roadsides and rangeland, knapweed has chemicals released from the weed showing evidence of inhibiting growth of vegetation around it. Seed is spread by wind or drug by vehicles. Diffuse knapweed bracts are divided like teeth of a comb and have a distinct terminal spine unlike spotted. You can only tell the difference between them in the flowering stage.