

COMMON NAME:
PINEAPPLE WEED

SCIENTIFIC NAME:
MATRICARIA MATRICARIOIDES

ALSO CALLED: RAYLESS CHAMOMILEA AND PINEAPPLE MAYWEED

FLOWER COLOR: YELLOW
LEAVES: RESEMBLE JUNIPER BRANCHES
FLOWER ARRANGEMENT: SINGLY OR SEVERAL AT END OF BRANCHES
FLOWERING TIME: APRIL TO OCTOBER
NORMAL SIZE: 8" TO 12"
NORMAL ELEVATION: UP TO 5000'
HABITATION: DISTURBED AREAS
ABUNDANCE: COMMON

NOTABLE DETAILS: SHORT PLANT WITH MINIATURE LEAVES AND MARBLE-SIZED RAYLESS YELLOW FLOWERS

SPECIAL INTEREST: WHEN CRUSHED IT GIVES OFF SMELLS OF PINEAPPLE OR PINE SCENT AND AN ENJOYABLE TEA SIMILAR TO CHAMOMILE TEA CAN BE MADE FROM DRIED FLOWERS AND IS SAID TO CAUSE A CALMING EFFECT AND IMPROVE DIGESTION AND TOO MUCH IS SAID TO BE A GOOD LAXATIVE. IT IS ALSO SAID THAT RUSSIANS CONSIDER IT A CURE-ALL.