

Sidalcea hirtipes
Malvaceae
Hairy stemmed checker mallow

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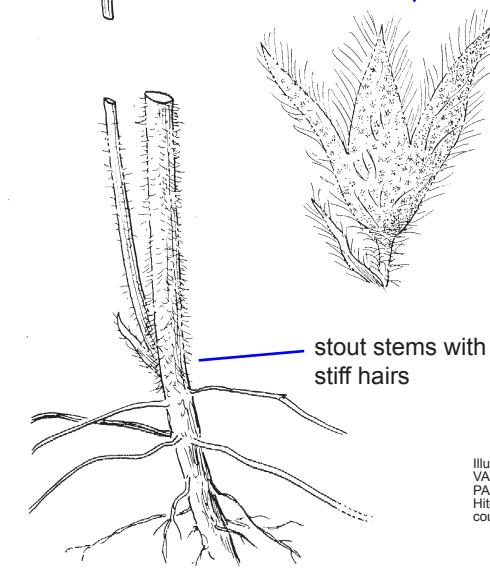
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Spreading widely by rhizomes, forming large patches (not shown)



calyx finely stellate and conspicuously hirsute



stout stems with dense, stiff hairs

Illustration by Jeanne R. Janish.
VASCULAR PLANTS OF THE
PACIFIC NORTHWEST (1961)
Hitchcock, Cronquist, & Ownbey,
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Large, tufted perennial with short, thick rhizomes. **Stems** 70-130 cm tall, occasionally slightly fistulose, copiously hirsute with rather stiff, simple or geminate (to cruciate) hairs as much as 2.5 mm long. **Basal leaf blades** to 15 cm wide, shallowly lobed, scalloped; teeth blunt. **Inflorescence** of spikelike racemes, usually branched, densely many-flowered; usually <8 cm long; pedicels 1-3(5) mm long. **Flowers**: calyx 9-15 mm long, enlarged considerably in fruit, finely stellate but conspicuously ciliate and hirsute; petals pink or pinkish lavender; carpels 3.5-4 mm long, prominently reticulate-alveolate on the sides, the beak 0.6-0.8 mm long.

Lookalikes
Sidalcea hendersonii

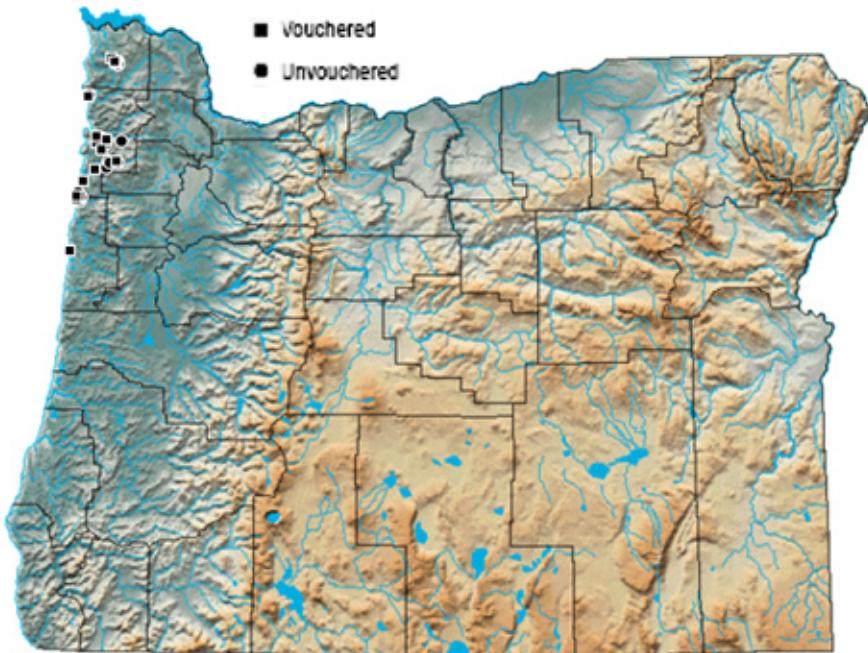
differs from featured plant by
racemes more open; restricted to tidelands

Sidalcea hirtipes C.L. Hitchc.

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PLANTS symbol: SIHI3

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Distribution: Coast Range, coastal areas; southern Washington.

Habitat: Open meadows, grasslands, balds, coastal bluffs and mountain peaks.

Elevation: 0-165 m, 450-1010m

Best survey time (in flower): (late April) June-August (early November)

Associated species:

Lupinus polyphyllus (Bigleaf lupine)

Geum macrophyllum (Large-leaved avens)

Rubus ursinus (Pacific blackberry)

