

Plant - 40cms high (L), close up with flowers (R)

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Common Name	Botanical Name	Treatment
Butterfly Heaven	Dyschoriste depressa	 Dig out or smother with black plastic. Spraying with Dicamba or Brushoff.

Notes:

- The weed is easily spread via contaminated lawn mowers. Residents should be careful when using mowers that may have been used where *Dyschoriste* is present. A thorough washdown is recommended (then check the washdown area).
- The most effective time to apply herbicide is during times of vigorous plant growth. It is important to kill weeds before they produce viable reproductive entities such as seeds, bulb, etc.
- Wetting agents such as Chemwet or Protec can help the efficiency of the sprayed herbicide.
- After initial weed clearing when native regrowth has begun to reappear it is best to hand pull or dig out new weeds.
- Utmost care must be taken to protect children, animals and desirable plants from herbicides, including from overspray.
- Bagged weeds must be disposed of in general rubbish, which will go to landfill. Do **NOT** put weeds in garden waste.
- Many garden plants have become weeds by escaping backyards. To avoid adding to this you need to firstly recognise which plants have become weeds, then look for a suitable, non-invasive alternative plant. The safest is usually a native Australian species.

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