**Prostrate pigweed**  
*Amaranthus blitoides* S. Wats.

### Life cycle
Prostrate, mat-forming summer annual.

### Leaves
Alternate and pale green to shiny, dark green leaves are oblong, oval to egg-shaped with pointed, rounded to slightly indented leaf tips. Leaf margins are smooth and usually whitish. Leaves are numerous at the stem ends.

### Stems
Prostrate and nearly smooth, light green to reddish stems form thick, circular mats. Stems may be 1 to 3 feet long and mostly erect at the tip.

### Flowers and fruit
Small, greenish flowers are found in dense clusters in the leaf axils. Flowers have bracts as long as the sepals and yield small, round, shiny black seeds.

### Reproduction
Seeds.

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Prostrate pigweed seedling.

Prostrate pigweed foliage and flower clusters.

Prostrate stem and shiny green foliage of prostrate pigweed.

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Amaranthaceae (Amaranth family)