

## Johnsongrass

### Description:

Johnsongrass is one of the most troublesome of perennial grasses. It is found in our county row crops, hay fields, and pastures. It reproduces from underground stems and seeds. The mature plant grows in spreading, leafy patches that may be as tall as 6 to 7 feet. Leaves have a prominent whitish mid-vein, which snaps readily when folded over. The flower head is large, open, well-branched, and often reddish tinged. Underground stems are thick, fleshy, and segmented. Roots and shoots can rise from each segment. The ligules consist of a fringe of dense, fine hairs.

