

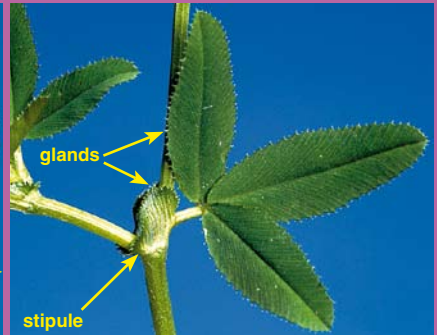
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GLAND CLOVER

Trifolium glanduliferum

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Sustainable
Grazing on
Saline Land



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Family: Fabaceae.

Description: Erect or semi-erect extensively branched annual forming dense swards to about 40 cm tall. Leaflets elliptic, finely toothed (see photo). Stems with glandular hairs. Flowerhead comprised of many flowers, light to dark pink; flowers spring to summer. Seed pod with 130–140 oval yellow seeds.

Key features: May be confused with Balansa Clover *Trifolium michelianum*, but Gland Clover *Trifolium glanduliferum* may have glands on the leaflets between the teeth, and stipules are green (see photo).

Value: Makes good standing feed or good hay. Also makes good summer feed.

Salinity and waterlogging tolerance: Moderate tolerance to waterlogging and salinity. Not suited to deep sandy soils.

Notes: Native of Mediterranean region. There are a number of cultivars and varieties. Tolerates a wide pH range of 4.5–8.0. Good frost tolerance. Unlike Balansa Clover, Gland Clover is resistant to Redlegged Earth Mite. Hardseedness ensures continued regeneration capacity.

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