

August Guess that Plant



The August *Guess that Plant* was hedge false bindweed, *Calystegia sepium* (L.) R. Br. Hedge false bindweed is a common morning glory that is most visible along New Jersey's coastal district. The plant is found throughout North America where flower colors vary between dark pink to pure white. Our plants produce beautiful light pink tubular flowers from June to first frost on twining stems. The flowers are clasped by two distinct bracts that surround the capsule.

Its beauty has not gone unnoticed. Native Americans once used members of this genus for love potions and medicine, an indication that its beauty could be transformed to help the bashful and aspiring lovers among us.