

Pellaea atropurpurea

PURPLE CLIFF BRAKE

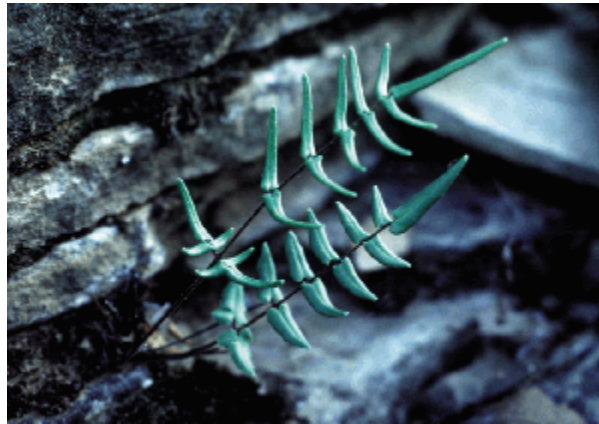


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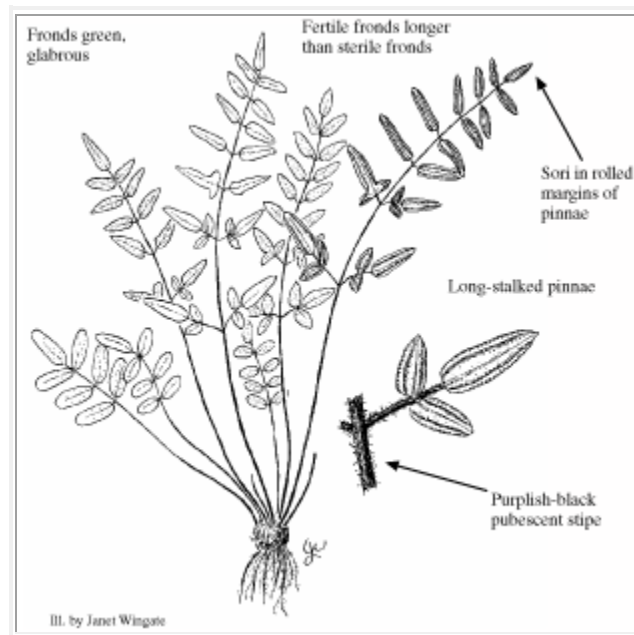


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Sinopteridaceae (Lipfern Family)

Look Alikes: *P. truncata* and *P. wrightiana* have glabrous stipes and rachises, and sessile or short-stalked pinnae.

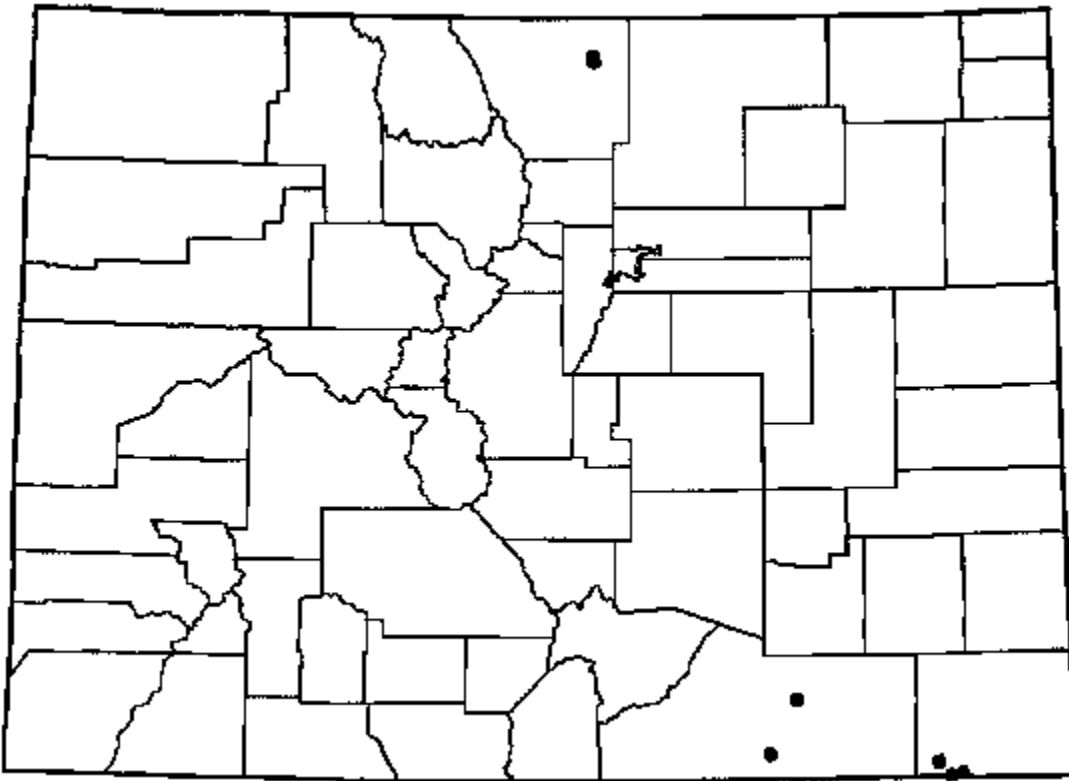
Spore-Producing Period: July-September.

Habitat: Dry shaded ledges and crevices of limestone, sandstone, and basalt. Elev. 4000-7200 ft.



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Distribution: Quebec and Ontario, south to the Gulf states, Mexico and Central America. In Colorado in Baca, Larimer and Las Animas Cos.



References: Coffin and Pfannmuller 1988; Flora of North America Editorial Committee 1993; Great Plains Flora Association 1986.