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**Habitat:** Common mullein is a weed of landscapes, perennial crops, and roadsides, often found in gravel where the soil is dry.

**Synonyms:** velvet dock, big taper, candle-wick, flannel-leaf, woolly mullein

**General Description:** A biennial forming a large basal rosette the first year and an erect, usually non-branched, stem in the second year.

**Distinctive Characteristics:** Leaves of the basal rosette and stem are densely hairy. After the stem has bolted, fused yellow petals are present from June through September.

**Growth Habit:** Forb/Herb

**Distribution:** Found throughout most of the United States and southern Canada.

## Common Mullein *Verbascum thapsus*



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Family: Scrophulariaceae (Figwort Family)