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Western Larkspur

Delphinium occidentale
Buttercup Family



- Larger of the Larkspur species
- Found in montane meadows, prairies, thickets & streambanks
- Is associated with Aspen & Spruce groves
- Native Americans & early settlers used its bright flowers to make blue ink
- Common name comes from resemblance of blossoms to the claw of a Lark
- Toxic to cattle, sheep & horses