

Rudbeckia hirta
Black-Eyed Susan



Summer Foliage



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Characteristics: Annual/short-lived perennial herb

Appearance:

Height – 2-3 ft.

Spread – 1-2 ft.

Flower Color – Golden-yellow to orange rays and dark brown centers

Flowering Period – June-October

Habitat (Community): Prairie, plains, meadows, pastures, savannahs, woodlands edge, and open fields.

Hydrology:

Indicator Status – Facultative Upland

Salinity – Not applicable, prefers freshwater

Non-Tidal Regime – Prefers moist to dry, organically rich well-drained soils in full sun. Tolerates heat, drought and a wide range of soils except poorly-drained wet soils.

Wildlife Benefits: Offers protection and food for several song and game birds. Nectar for bees, butterflies, and other insects.

Distribution: Newfoundland to Florida, west to British Columbia and Mexico