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CUTLEAF CONEFLOWER

Rudbeckia laciniata

Yellow, daisy-like flowers with drooping rays and a yellow to green center cone.

Benefits for Wildlife

- Provides nectar for bees, wasps, flies, and butterflies
- Foliage is eaten by insects such as beetles, sawfly larvae, fruit fly larvae, gall midges, and aphids
- Seeds are enjoyed by many bird species

Host to 16 caterpillar species, including: (common names) Wavy-Lined Emerald; Gray-Blotched Epiblema; Meadow Rue Borer Moth; Silvery Checkerspot; Gray Archips Moth; Dowdy Pinion; Blackberry Looper Moth; Burdock Borer; Dusky Leafroller; Stalk Borer

Benefits for People

- Deadhead flowers to encourage new blooms
- Spreads readily
- Green dye can be made from the flowers

Growing Information

<i>Sunlight</i>	Full to part sun
<i>Soil Type</i>	Moist, slightly acidic
<i>Height</i>	3-6'
<i>Width</i>	1-3'
<i>Flowering calendar</i>	July to September

Natural Habitat

- Moisture-rich woodlands, stream banks, thickets, wet fields

