

Rudbeckia hirta

Black-Eyed Susan

Preferred Water Depth and Inundation Tolerance

Mesic to wet prairie species. Species has limited inundation tolerance.

Wildlife Value

Attracts butterflies and is used for cover.

Application/Zone

Extensive fibrous root system stabilizes soil on upland slope buffers.

Availability, Establishment, and Maintenance

- Easily established from seed. No pretreatment of seed is necessary.
- This species can be very aggressive.
- This species is early successional and will “thin out” in mature restorations.

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Mature Height

1 to 2 feet

Plant Type

Perennial herb

Indicator Status

Facultative Upland

pH

4.5-7.5

Nutrient Load Tolerance

Low to moderate

Salt Tolerance

Not available

Siltation Tolerance

Low

Flowering Color and Time

Yellow with black/brown center
June to July

Light Preference

Partial to full sun

Seeding Rate

.125 - .3 lbs/acre

