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# Zigzag Goldenrod

*Solidago flexicauli*

Light:	Partial Shade, Shade
Soil:	Loam, Sand, Clay
Moisture:	Medium-Wet, Medium, Medium-Dry
Benefits:	Butterflies, Bees, Pollinators, Birds
Height:	3'
Blooms:	Aug, Sep, Oct
Zones:	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Color:	Yellow
Spacing:	1' to 2'
Root:	Rhizome

One of the few goldenrods that is shade-tolerant, Zigzag Goldenrod adds color to a woodland garden in late summer and early fall. The flowers attract multiple pollinators; as a result, the plant is designated as a plant of special value to native bees and honey bees by the Pollinator Program of The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation. It can also spread aggressively: good for filling tough spots, bad for less competitive neighbors. The seeds attract swamp sparrows, pine siskins and meadow mice.

Zigzag Goldenrod is easily grown in average, medium soil in sun-dappled part shade and spreads easily. The foliage is browsed by deer.