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Gray-headed Coneflower

Ratibida pinnata

Light: Sun, Partial Sun

Soil: Loam, Sand, clay

Moisture Medium, Medium-Dry, Dry

Benefits: Birds, Pollinators, Bees, Butterflies, Deer

Resistant

Height: 5

Blooms: July, August, September

Zones: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Color: Yellow

Spacing: 18"-24"

Root: Fibrous

Also known as yellow coneflower, gray-headed coneflower is drought-tolerant and grows and transplants easily. With stiff and rough-feeling coarse leaves, it is deer resistant and commonly found in prairies, thickets and woodland edges.

Of benefit to birds and butterflies, the Pollinator Program of The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation has also designated it as a special value to native bees. Due to its tall and slender profile, it presents an airy quality and pairs well with Wild Bergamot and Anise Hyssop.