

Orange Coneflower

Rudbeckia fulgida



Light:	Full sun, partial sun
Soil:	Clay, loam
Moisture:	Medium
Benefits:	Pollinators, Birds, Host
Height:	2-4'
Blooms:	July-Sept
Zones:	4-8
Color:	Yellow
Spacing:	1'
Root:	Fibrous

In commercial nurseries, you may find this plant labeled “Black-Eyed Susan,” but in many ways it is a superior garden plant compared to its sister *Rudbeckia hirta*. It forms a decorative clump; its foliage is a shiny green and nicely mounded; and it’s a true perennial, living a good long time. On the downside, deer will munch Orange Coneflower and it’s fussier, preferring somewhat damper conditions. But if you can grow it, you must. What a lovely show it makes in summer.