



Western Sunflower

Helianthus occidentalis

Light:	Full to partial sun
Soil:	Loam, Sand
Moisture:	Medium to dry
Benefits:	Pollinators, Birds, Deer Resistant
Height:	3'
Blooms:	July-September
Zones:	3-9
Color:	Yellow
Spacing:	1'
Root:	Rhizome

Western sunflower's elegant star-like flowers are held aloft on leafless stalks only two to three feet tall that are perfect for dry meadows and small prairie gardens. Blooming for an extended period in late summer, the seeds that follow attract migrating birds. And silvery checkerspot and gorgon checkerspot butterflies, along with various moths, use them as host plants.