



TICKSEED-SUNFLOWER

Bidens coronata

Located in swamps, wet meadows, bogs and swales throughout the Division. Variable in form with several recognized varieties. Also known as Sticktight.

Slender stemmed annual, hairless and branched; 0.3 to 1.5 m high. Leaves in 3 to 7 lance or linear shaped divisions, the central division much longer than the lateral ones with 0.5 to 2 cm long stalks, with or without teeth; the upper leaves, smaller, not always divided, and may be stalkless. Flowers numerous, on slender stalks, 2.5 to 6 cm broad, showy with 6 to 10 golden-yellow oblong rays, central disc yellow; blooming from August to October. The wedge-shaped, dry seeds which develop in the disc have 2 barbed prongs and readily cling to clothing.

The seeds of this genus are of minor food value for upland game birds, song birds and ducks.



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