

Grindelia squarrosa

Curlycup Gumweed



Plant type:

Biennial, short-lived perennial

Season of Interest:

Mid summer to early fall

Height: 9-30"

Spread: 9-24"

Water needs:

Moderate, low, dry

Native Region:

CO, AZ, KS, NE, NM, OK, TX, UT, WY

Elevation:

to 8,500'

Important to know:

Important pollen and nectar source for native bees and native beetles; Native Americans used it to treat snow blindness



Maintenance:

Low

Characteristics:

Showy, Long-blooming, Sticky seed heads

Garden uses:

Pollinator garden

Habitat:

prairie, meadow, disturbed sites, erosion



Ease of Propagation: Easy

Propagation: Sources online vary as to whether or not cold stratification is required. Freeze dry seeds for 2 weeks to kill seed eating pests. Store dry at 40°F. Sow mid-May. Cover lightly. Seeds germinate within 2 weeks.