

Lanceleaf Coreopsis (*Coreopsis lanceolata*)

Aster Family

Other Common Names: lance-leaf tickseed, sand coreopsis

Scientific Name: *Coreopsis lanceolata* L.

Plant Symbol: COLA5

Distinguishing characteristics: Stems clumped, erect, growing from short rhizomes, and with only 3-5 pairs of leaves up the stem, mostly occur on the lower half of the plant; leaves are opposite each other on the stem, narrowly elliptical or wider towards the top, tapered at both ends, typically with a single unlobed leaf or the leaf may have 1-2 deeply lobed divisions at the base of the blade; flower heads daisy-like on the ends of long stalks up to 15 in. long; rays yellow, 8 in number, each with 3-5 jagged teeth at the end; centers yellow that darken with age. Some cultivars had a deep red spot at the base of each ray flower.

Plant Height: 1-3 ft.

Blooms/Fruits: May-August

Duration: Perennial, herbaceous

Pollinator Value: Visited by honey bees, native bees (including bumble bees, small carpenter bees and leafcutter bees), beetles and butterflies.

Habitat: Dry sandy soils, prairies, glades, old fields, and roadsides.

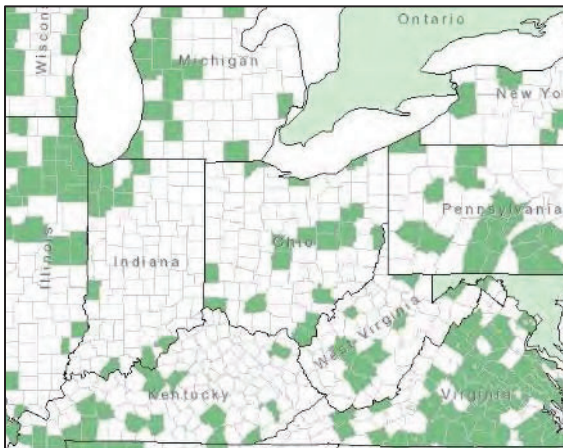


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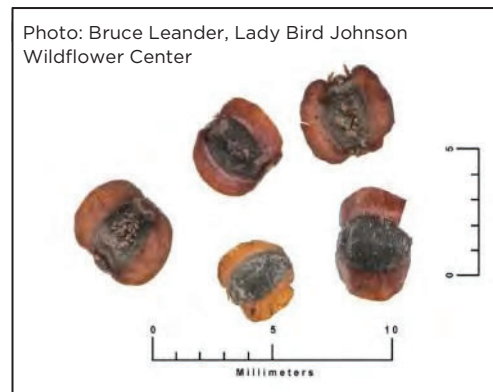
Seedlings



Flowering/close-up of flowers/bud



Leaf



Seed