

# Bristly cone-flower 'Indian Summer'

*Rudbeckia hirta* 'Indian Summer' Also known as: **Black-eyed susan** 'Indian Summer'

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This description is for species *Bristly cone-flower* (*Rudbeckia hirta*):

If you want a bright and colourful addition to your garden, *Rudbeckia hirta* or Black-eyed Susan won't disappoint. It's native to the USA and is a member of the Asteraceae family. It will grow up to a metre in height. The leaves are long, up to 18cm and mainly grow around the base of the plant. They are covered in thick rough hairs. It has sturdy stems at the top of which are bright yellow daisy-shaped flowers with a black button centre. The flower heads are about 10cm wide. It's named after Olaus Rudbeck, a Swedish professor of botany. It's the state flower of Maryland and will bring butterflies to your garden. It also makes a good, long lasting cut flower.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
<b>Known dangers?</b> no	<b>Acidity</b> Acidic Neutral Alkaline	<b>Standard category</b> Flowers & bulbs Wild flowers
<b>Height [m]</b> 0.9 - 1.1	<b>Hardiness zone</b> Z3-7	<b>Grown for</b> Attractive Flowers
<b>Spread [m]</b> 0.3 - 0.45	<b>Heat zone</b> H7-1	<b>Creative category</b> Kid Approved Fast growing For Beginners Colours Author's choice

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<b>Dominant flower colour</b> Yellow	<b>Winter temperatures [°C]</b> -40 - -12	<b>Garden type</b> Woodland Cottage garden Coastal City Wildlife gardens Meadows Prairies
<b>Flower Fragrance</b> No, neutral please	<b>Heat days</b> 0 - 90	<b>Garden spaces</b> Flower beds Cut flowers Borders
<b>Flowering seasons</b> Mid summer Late summer Early autumn Mid autumn	<b>Moisture</b> well-drained well-drained but frequently watered	<b>Gardening expertise</b> beginner
<b>Foliage in summer</b> Green	<b>Soil type</b> Clay chalky loams	<b>Time to reach full size</b> 1 to 2 years
<b>Foliage in Autumn</b> Green	<b>Sun requirements</b> Full sun	
<b>Awards?</b> Yes, let it smell	<b>Exposure</b> Exposed Sheltered	
<b>Propagation methods</b> seed		
<b>Growth habit</b> Upright		