



## ***Silphium integrifolium* – Rosinweed**

COMMON NAME: Rosinweed

SCIENTIFIC NAME: *Silphium integrifolium* – the name comes from a Greek word meaning “resinous juice” and a Latin word meaning “entire leafed”

FLOWER: Yellow, 2-3 inches across

BLOOMING PERIOD: Late June to early September

SIZE: 4 to 6 feet tall

BEHAVIOR: Flowers are in clusters at the top of a stem. The stem is generally a reddish color in bright sun, but green in a shady site. Spreads by seeds.

SITE REQUIREMENTS: Grows in a variety of soils and tolerates drought, but would prefer rich to moderately dry soils in full sun.

NATURAL RANGE: Michigan south to Alabama, west to Wyoming and New Mexico. In Wisconsin it is found mostly in the southern part of the state.

SPECIAL FEATURES: The rough, stalkless leaves are generally in opposite pairs with the next pair up the stem rotated 90 degrees. If the stem is broken or cut, there is a resinous gummy sap as the plant name indicates. The flowers attract birds and butterflies.

SUGGESTED CARE: Water well during the first season.

COMPANION PLANTS: Big bluestem, smooth aster, rattlesnake master, flowering spurge, alumroot, round-headed bushclover, prairie phlox, yellow coneflower, compass plant, prairie dock, blue-eyed grass, Indian grass, prairie dropseed, needle grass and spiderwort