



Anemone Cylindrica--Tall Thimbleweed

COMMON NAME: Tall thimbleweed, Long-fruited Thimbleweed, Long-headed Anemone, Candle Anemone, Cottonweed.

SCIENTIFIC NAME: *Anemone* is derived from the Latin *anemoi* which means wind. *Cylindrus* in Latin is roller or cylindrical

FLOWER: Two to eight long stalked flowers from a whorl of leaves. Flowers are 3/4 inches across with 5-pointed white petal-like sepals and yellow stamens around a gray green cone-like center. Cone is twice as wide as the flower is wide and can reach 1 1/2 inches.

BLOOMING PERIOD: June to August.

SIZE: Plant is 1-2 feet tall.

BEHAVIOR: It is clump forming and inhibits the growth of nearby plants especially legumes.

SITE REQUIREMENTS: prefers part shade, sun, dry, prairie.

NATURAL RANGE: In Wisconsin it is found throughout the state on dry prairies, open woodlands and along roadsides.

SPECIAL FEATURES: It is rabbit resistant. Native Americans used it for poultices for its antiseptic properties.

SUGGESTED CARE: It is low maintenance.

COMPANION PLANTS: Aster, Rudbeckia, Geranium.

NOTE: Tall thimbleweed is easily confused with *Anemone Virginiana* which can reach nearly 4 feet, with cones less than 1 inch long.