



UTAH POLLINATOR HABITAT PROGRAM

Yellow Beeplant (*Cleome lutea*)



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Zone: 3-8

Color: Yellow

Bloom Time: May to August

Plant Type: Annual herb

Mature Height: 1-5' tall

Mature Spread: 1-4' wide

Water Use: Low to medium

Soil Type: Well-drained, sandy to loamy soils

Range and Native Habitat: The Yellow Beeplant occurs from the central Great Plains to Washington and south to California and New Mexico. It can be found in semi-deserts, foothills, and montane zones, particularly in sagebrush, quaking aspen, and Gambel oak communities.

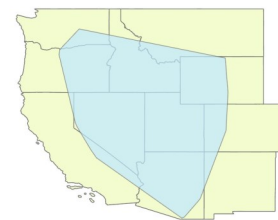
Suggested Maintenance: The Yellow Beeplant will reseed with moderate germination. It is not highly competitive and should be sown in open areas where it can reseed. It needs an extended cold-stratification period (30 days) so if not seeded in the fall, plan accordingly for spring planting.

Other: The Yellow Beeplant is an important part of Native American culture. It was used in ceremonial medicine by some Navajo and Kayenta peoples and as an aid for ant bites. The stems and flowers were also used to create an infusion for the treatment of colds. The plants value for wildlife is primarily for pollinators; over 140 native bees have been found to use this flower.

Wildlife Supported



Distribution Map



Landscaping Information



Sun
Full sun



Water Needs
Low to medium



Summer Irrigation
Max 2x / month once established



Soil Drainage
Fast



Propagation
By seed in fall or spring with cold stratification for 30 days