



UTAH POLLINATOR HABITAT PROGRAM

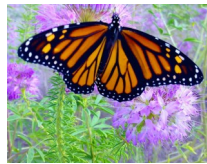
Rocky Mountain Beeplant (*Cleome serrulata*)



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Zone: 1-10

Color: Pink, purple, white

Bloom Time: May through September

Plant Type: Annual herb

Mature Height: 2-5' tall

Mature Spread: 1-4' wide

Water Use: Low to medium

Soil Type: Well-drained sandy soils

Range and Native Habitat: The Rocky Mountain Beeplant ranges from southern Canada to Minnesota and as far south as Arizona and New Mexico. It prefers dry, disturbed areas such as roadsides and prairies, open woods, and wash areas.

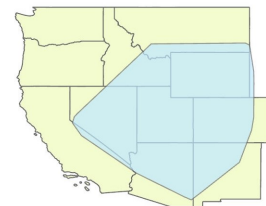
Suggested Maintenance: This species will reseed with moderate germination. It is not highly competitive and should be sown in open areas where it can reseed. It needs an extended cold-stratification period (30 days); sow in the fall or plan accordingly before spring seeding.

Other: The Rocky Mountain Beeplant is an important part of Native American culture. The young leaves are a good source of Vitamin A and calcium. The plant is used as a natural dye for rugs, blankets, and for painting designs on pots. The seeds can be ground to make gruel or bread. The plant is sometimes referred to as the "fourth sister" to corn, beans, and squash because it offers a seasonal, edible green; attracts pollinators; and produces a dye cake.

Wildlife Supported



Distribution Map



Landscaping Information



Sun
Full sun to part shade



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