

British yellowhead

Inula britannica

Description

Primarily found in *Hosta* plants imported from the Netherlands. Currently listed on the Federal Noxious Weed List.

Habit

Erect, herbaceous plant that grows from 6-30 in. tall.

Leaves

Lanceolate to elliptical, sessile, may become clasping towards the top. Sparsely pubescent

Stems

Sparsely pubescent on the upper surface and densely pubescent on the lower surface. Margins are smooth to finely toothed. Lower leaves are elliptical or ovate-elliptical in shape, 1.5-6 in. long and 0.4 to 1 in. wide with a narrow or short stalk.



Upper leaves have no stalk or may clasp the stem and are rounded at the base.

Flowers

Yellow in color, daisylike, occur along or in clusters of 2 or 3. Medium to large flowerheads that are 0.8 to 1 inch across. Bracts are linear and in 2 rows, green in color and soft. Rays are long and narrow. Surrounded by a single pappus (extremely fine hairs); bloom from July to August.

Fruits and Seeds

Achene.

Habitat

Native to Europe. Can be found in moist habitats such as river and streambanks, marshes, ditches, wet grassland, and wet woods.

Reproduction

By seed, short rhizomes and root fragments.

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