

# Golden Alexanders

*Zizia aurea*



Long blooming native that deserves space in any habitat garden

Attracts a wide diversity of pollinators for several weeks in late spring to early summer. An important plant to a number of short-tongued insects that are able to easily reach the nectar in the small yellow flowers.

Deer resistant. Clay tolerant. Thrives in a range of soils from moist to moderately dry.

Grows 2-3 feet tall and wide. Relatively short lived, but frequently self-sows, creating a bit of oft needed spontaneity in the landscape.

Prefers Sun to part shade. Tolerates almost full shade.

Makes a tremendous amount of seed that birds enjoy. Host plant for the Black Swallowtail butterfly.



There are not a lot of carrot family native plants that are as showy and easy to incorporate into the landscape as this one. Looks great with Columbine, False Indigo, Little Bluestem, and Blue Wood Aster.