# False Sunflower
## *Heliopsis helianthoides*

## Plant Characteristics

### Size

3 – 6’ high, 2 – 4’ wide

### Sun/Shade

Full Sun

### Water

Dry to Medium

### Maintenance

Low

### Life Span

Herbaceous Perennial, Zones 3-9

### Description

*Heliopsis helianthoides*, also known as False Sunflower, rough oxeye and smooth oxeye is a daisy-like plant similar to the sunflower. It produces showy blooms June through August of orange-yellow rays with brown center discs. It tolerates dry soils but grows best with regular watering in full sun. Deadheading is recommended to extend the bloom season. Also, in late May, the stems can be cut by ⅓ to ½ size to reduce the overall height of the plant. They are great additions to cut flower gardens as well as natural and wild gardens as well as borders. They attract butterflies and have no serious insect or disease problems.

Source: Missouri Botanical Garden