



## LOBED CONEFLOWER

*Rudbeckia triloba* L.

These coneflowers are up to five feet tall and profusely branched. Leaves are toothed and ovate with long petioles, the larger ones deeply trilobed (it is not unusual to find plants without lobed leaves). Heads are very numerous and with a dark purple disk and yellow rays. While the typical Black-Eyed Susan requires open areas, this is a species of thickets and woods, especially along stream-courses. Look for masses of plants along ditches and streams at forest borders, as well as in the mesic fields, in August-October (**Asteraceae**, the Aster Family).