

WEED OF THE WEEK

BIDENS CERNUA



Nodding Beggarticks & Sticktight

Photos from Weeds of the Cranberry Marsh.

life cycle / growth habit:
annual herb to 4 ft. tall

root:
*many thin, light-colored
roots in a tuft from base*



flower



mature plant in
cranberry bed

stem:
erect, branched above

leaf:
opposite, narrow, toothed

flower:
*showy, yellow daisy-like
heads, with broad, yellow
rays and a darker yellow
disk, often nodding; blooms
August–October*



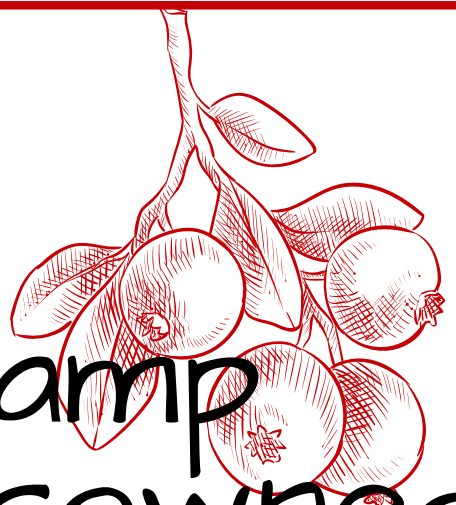
young plant
starting to
flower

fruit/seed:
*heads turning brownish and facing
downward, contain numerous, flat,
black stick-tights with 3–4 barbed
pin-like projections at the tip,
attaching to fur or clothing*

habitat:
*common plant of marshes, streambanks, ditches and wet meadows where
open soil is available in summer and fall; often found around edges of
cranberry beds*

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BIDENS CORONATA

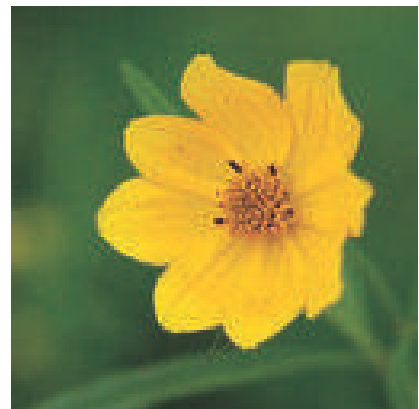


Northern Swamp Marigold & Crowned Beggarticks

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life cycle / growth habit:
annual herb to 4 ft. tall

root:
*tuft of branching roots
from base*



flower



mature plant in
cranberry bed

stem:
narrow and wiry, branched

leaf:
*opposite, toothed, narrow
and often divided into long
lobes*

flower:
*numerous showy, yellow
heads with broad yellow
rays; blooms August–
October*



mature plant

fruit/seed:
*on heads, facing up, seed
dark, 1/4 in. with small
barbed projections or none*

habitat:
*creek banks, marsh, sphagnum bogs, shores, moist
sandy sedge meadows*

WEED OF THE WEEK

BIDENS FRONDOSA



Common Beggarticks & Devil's Beggarticks

Photos from Weeds of the Cranberry Marsh.

life cycle / growth habit:
annual herb to 4 ft. tall

root:
fine, fibrous



flower



young plants

stem:
erect, branching, often tall

leaf:
*opposite, some divided into
3 leaflets, sharply toothed*

flower:
*heads dull yellow, with long,
green bracts beneath (approx. 8
bracts per head). Heads about
1/2 in. wide; blooms August-
October*

fruit/seed:
*heads hold numerous black
stick-tights*



leaf detail

habitat:
rich soil, marshes, banks, woods, moist sandy soil