

Mistflower

Scientific Name: *Conoclinium coelestinum*



<u>Life Cycle</u>	<u>Plant Height</u>	<u>Plant Spacing</u>	<u>Soil Moisture</u>	<u>Sun Exposure</u>	<u>Bloom Period</u>
Perennial	2 feet	1 - 2 ft.	Medium	Partial	September - October

Mistflower reaches up to two feet in height with downy, purplish, branching stems in moist or low savanna settings. Its opposing, large-toothed leaves are oval to triangular. Resembling a lovely blue-purple fog when found in dense stands, the disk flowers form in clusters of 35-70 at the tops of stems in late summer and autumn, attracting late-season butterflies. It will spread so should be planted with caution in small landscape situations.

Insects that feed on *Eupatorium* species (Bonesets) may also use Mistflower as a host plant. These species include *Haploa clymene* (Clymene Moth), *Phragmatobia lineata* (Lined Ruby Tiger Moth), and the *Schinia trifacia* (Three-Lined Flower Moth).

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