

Rattlesnake Master

Scientific Name: *Eryngium yuccifolium*



<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	4 ft	18-24 inches	Medium	Full	July - August

Eryngium yuccifolium (Rattlesnake Master) matures to a height of 4' and has white "bristly" flowers. These bristly flowers and coarse leaves make it largely ignored by deer and rabbits. It is a member of the carrot/parsley (*Apiaceae*) family, but is very different-looking from the usual umbel flowers and fine-cut foliage of plants in this family. It is typically found in medium-wet to medium-dry soils and prefers sites with full sun. Although not a butterfly or bumblebee magnet, small native bees, moths and flies will nectar on Rattlesnake Master. Rattlesnake Master is one of the host plants of the Black Swallowtail. The Latin name, *Eryngium yuccifolium*, comes from the fact that the leaves look very much like a Yucca plant. Other common names include Button Snakeroot, Yucca-leaf Eryngo, Corn Snakeroot, Water-eryngo, Rattlesnake Flag, and Rattlesnake Weed.

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