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# *Liatris aspera*

## Rough Blazing Star



Showy and beautiful, this blazing star tolerates a range of soils, yet is drought tolerant. Contrast the purple blooms with the yellow goldenrods for a colorful late summer show. An excellent nectar source for the Blazing Star Skipper butterfly. Also attractive to goldfinches.

***Suggested Companions:*** old-field goldenrod (*Solidago nemoralis*), June grass (*Koeleria macrantha*), little bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*), butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)

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Plant Type: Wildflower  
Size: 2-3' H  
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Water Tolerant: No

Habitat:  
Open field/ Prairie

Soil: Average Garden Soil  
Sandy/ Gravelly

Exposure: sun  
filtered

Flower Color:  
Purple  
Pink

Plant in:

Groundcover: No

Bloom Time:  
July  
August  
September

Other Attributes:  
Butterfly attracting  
Bird attracting  
Deer resistant