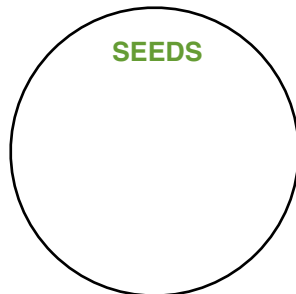


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Sorghastrum nutans



ABOUT YELLOW INDIANGRASS

Yellow indian grass is a tall, bunching sod-former, 3-8 ft. in height, with broad blue-green blades and a large, plume-like, soft, golden-brown seed head. This showy perennial's fall color is deep orange to purple.

This is a beautiful grass with a somewhat metallic golden sheen to its flowering parts. It is an important associate in the tallgrass prairies and is relished by livestock. It appears to be favored by occasional flooding and repeated burning and sometimes forms nearly pure stands in the lowlands. Warm-season grass with rich gold-and-purple sprays of flowers and seeds in the fall.

WILDLIFE USES

Yellow Indiangrass is the larval food for the Salt & Pepper Skipper (*Amblyscirtes hegon*) on Louisiana's Cajun Prairie and is eaten by rabbits, cows, and rodents. It is also used for nesting material by many birds.



Salt & Skipper Skipper