

Barren Strawberry

Waldsteinia fragarioides

Growing Information

- Sunlight: Sun, Part Shade
- Soils: Sandy, well-drained to clay and medium loam, dry to moist
- Bloom Time: Yellow flowers in May, June
- Size: 3-6in in height; 6-12in spread

Plant the tough, semi-evergreen Barren Strawberry as a woodland ground cover. It will naturalize via rhizomes and out-compete weeds. Although called strawberry, the fruit is neither fleshy nor edible. Deer resistant.

Garden Companions

Small Yellow Wild Indigo (*Baptisia tinctoria*), Black-Eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*), Mapleleaf Viburnum (*Viburnum acerifolium*), White Wood Aster (*Eurybia divaricata*), Wild Geranium (*Geranium maculatum*), Slender Woodland Sedge (*Carex digitalis*)

Nature Benefits

- May support pollinators.
- Provides cover for ground-nesting bees.

Natural Habitat

Occurs in woods, thickets, fields, and uplands bordering calcareous wetland communities.

