## Wedelia trilobata

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**Appearance:** Creeping herb from shallow rhizomes; stems usually hairy; up to 30 cm (12 in) tall.

**Leaves:** Opposite, somewhat succulent with three main veins; sessile; irregularly toothed blades, often with a pair of lateral lobes.

**Flowers:** In solitary heads at or near stem tips; radially symmetrical (disk) flowers orange to yellow; bilaterally symmetrical (ray) flowers orange to yellow, 8–13 florets per head.

**Fruit:** Achene (hard, dry, 1-seeded fruit that does not open); 4–5 cm (1.6–2 in) long, corky, bumpy, narrowed at top into a short cup-like crown.

## **Ecological threat:**

FLEPPC Category II – Invasive exotics that have increased in abundance or frequency but have not yet altered Florida plant communities to the extent shown by Category I species.



Distribution: NW, NE, C, SW, SE

**Field Notations** 

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<sup>\*</sup>Recently renamed: Sphagneticola trilobata (SPTR6)