



The [inflorescences](#) are heads [held](#) in an open [panicle](#). Each head has up to 35 narrow, fertile, yellow [ray florets](#) ('petals') and numerous sterile [disc florets](#). The head is [subtended](#) by 2 whorls of large, somewhat triangular [bracts](#).

The fruits is a large, flat [cypsela](#) with a winged appearance (edge of wing seen at arrow).



The [opposite](#) leaves are [sessile](#) and fused around the stem, forming a 'cup' that can hold water. Leaf [margins](#) are coarsely and irregularly toothed.

Stem is square.

The plant has a very upright form and can grow 8-10 feet tall.

