

**Liatris aspera**  
ROUGH BLAZING STAR (Composite Family)

in the **Peacock Prairie** at the **James Woodworth Prairie Preserve**



Stem stiffly erect. 1-4' (30-122 cm) high. Stem leaves narrow or lance-shaped; purple flowers in dense heads, arranged in a spikelike cluster. There are 5-60 small, tubular, 5-lobed flowers in each head. Bracts of flower head broad, round, whitish-margined; heads short-stalked or stalkless. At the Peacock/Woodworth Prairie, blooms about the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August through the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of September.

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