

Common Evening-primrose Oenothera biennis



Lemon-scented large yellow flowers top leafy stalks on this 2-6ft tall biennal plant. Stems are hairy and often purple arising from a basal rosette. The bright-yellow, four-petaled flowers, up to 2 inches across, open at night and close by noon. The plant takes 2 years to complete its life cycle, with basal leaves becoming established the first year, and flowering occurring the second. The roots are edible, and the seeds are important as bird feed.

