



# Yellow Nutsedge

(*Cyperus esculentus*)

The plant looks like grass but has a triangular base. This weed can outcompete many other plants, including garden vegetables, and diminish crop yields. They produce light brown or reddish flowers and black or brown seeds.

**How to control it:** These plants spread by seed and they overwinter due to their underground rhizomatous root or small tuber, called a nutlet. Some of these tubers can go as deep as 18 inches, which is why this plant can return yearly. Remove these plants as soon as you've identified them; do not allow them to develop tubers.



To prevent yellow nutsedge from resprouting, these nutlets must be removed from the soil.



Yellow nutsedge in a flower garden



Sedge inflorescence



Triangular stem