

Dwarf perennial herb,
3-10 cm tall

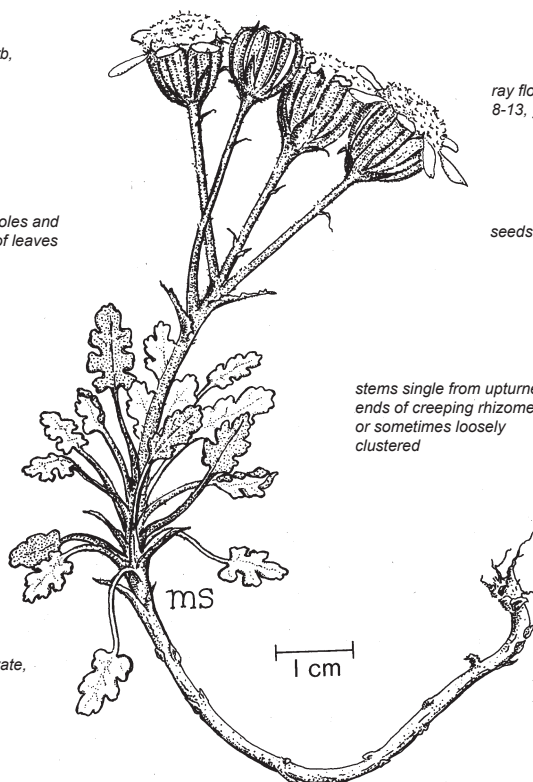
ray flowers
8-13, yellow

phyllaries, petioles and
undersurface of leaves
purplish

seeds glabrous

stems single from upturned
ends of creeping rhizomes,
or sometimes loosely
clustered

basal leaves
petiolate, obovate,
deeply lobed



Asteraceae (Sunflower Family)

Phenology: flowering July to August; fruiting August to September.

Management Responsibility: USFS (Coconino NF).

Similar Species: foliage similar to *Heuchera versicolor* f. *pumila* (Saxifragaceae), which has subcordate leaf blades that are very shallowly lobed and toothed, while leaves of *S. franciscanus* are obovate and deeply lobed.

Notes: endemic to the only true alpine tundra in AZ; grows in the Kachina Peaks Wilderness, where trails have been constructed to prevent trampling by hikers.

References: AGFD, 1997w. Barkley, 1978. Boucher and Goodwin, 1984. Greene, 1889. Phillips, B.G. and Phillips, 1987. Schaack, 1970.



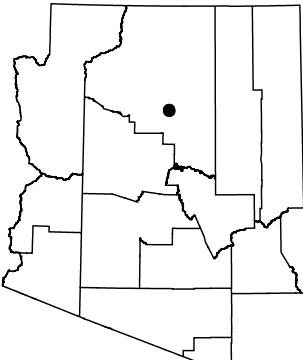
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Senecio franciscanus

Habitat: gravelly, sandy loams of talus in alpine fellfield; 11,000-12,400 ft (3350-3780 m) elevation.



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Range: San Francisco Peaks.