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*Galium tinctorium*

[Synonyms : *Asperula tinctoria*, *Galium triandrum*, *Galium trifidum* var. *latifolium*, *Galium trifidum* var. *tinctorium*]

**DYE BEDSTRAW** is a perennial. Native to North America it has white flowers.

It is also known as Dyer's woodruff, *Färbermeister* (German), *Färgmadra* (Swedish), *Färgmåra* (Swedish), Stiff marsh bedstraw, and Wild madder.

*Tinctorium* is derived from Latin *tinctus* (dyed, stained, tinged) meaning 'used in dyeing'.

Some of the North American Indian tribes, such as the Micmac and the Cree, used the roots to obtain a red dye for their feathers and other ornaments.

A plant infusion provided some of the Chippewa Indians with a remedy for some lung problems.