



Golden Dyssodia

Thymophylla pentachaeta

Plant Height: 8 inches

Flower Height: 12 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 7b

Other Names: Parralena, Dogweed, syn. *Dyssodia pentachaeta*

Description:

This variety features bright yellow daisy-like flowers and aromatic foliage that is finely divided into narrow, needle-like segments; drought tolerant and likes sandy, well drained soil; great for edging, border fronts, or containers

Ornamental Features

Golden Dyssodia has masses of beautiful yellow daisy flowers with gold eyes at the ends of the stems from mid spring to mid fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its attractive tiny fragrant threadlike leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Golden Dyssodia is an herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spiny

Golden Dyssodia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets



Golden Dyssodia in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Planting & Growing

Golden Dyssodia will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity extending to 12 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 3 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is native to parts of North America.

Golden Dyssodia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.