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Flambe Yellow Strawflower

Chrysocephalum apiculatum 'Flochryel'

Height: 14 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 8b

Group/Class: Flambe Series

Description:

Masses of golden yellow button flowers cover the gray-green foliage that is flocked with silver, from planting to hard frost; excellent for border edges, the garden or containers

Ornamental Features

Flambe Yellow Strawflower has masses of beautiful clusters of yellow button flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its tomentose narrow leaves remain silver in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Flambe Yellow Strawflower is a dense herbaceous perennial with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Flambe Yellow Strawflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Flambe Yellow Strawflower flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*



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Planting & Growing

Flambe Yellow Strawflower will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 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 locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Flambe Yellow Strawflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its trailing habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.