

Botanical Name: Pavonia praemorsa

Common Name: Yellow Mallow Family: Malvacea

Type of Plant: Dicot, shrub Character: Evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape Upright, multiple slender stems form a large shrub, rounded shape
angular branches

Height: 5-8' Spread: 4-6' Growth Rate: Rapid

Environment:

Exposure Prefers full sun, will tolerate light shade

Soil Any well-draining

Hardiness Withstands temperatures to the mid 20s

Morphology:

Leaves 1/2" to 3/4", scalloped edge with indented tip, green above and pale
beneath, distinctive veins from mid-rib

Flowers Mallow-type flowers at leaf axils emerge apricot-colored, fade to yellow, year-
round bloom but peak bloom in fall, attracts pollinators

Fruit Small dry capsule enclosed by calyx, self-sows readily

Propagation: Semi-hardwood cuttings in summer of fall

Usage: For fall flower color, dry gardens, background shrub or screen;
informal hedge

Landscape Care:

Watering Little water required, will not withstand soggy soil

Fertilizing Slow-release, low nitrogen in spring

Pruning Prune lightly for shape after flowering, or more heavily to reduce size

Pests/Diseases Relatively free with good air circulation

Other

Origin: South Africa