

Botanical Name: Bulbine frutescens

Common Name: Stalked bulbine

Type of Plant: monocot; perennial Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape spreading, sprawling succulent plant with horizontal stems which root as they spread; foliage is upright, bright green, succulent and pointed; fast spreading and aggressive

Height 2 to 3' Spread 3 to 6' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun

Soil tolerates any well-drained soil

Hardiness some frost (zones 14-24)

Morphology:

Leaves thick, rounded fleshy, bright green succulent leaves to 12" long, narrowing to a soft pointed tip; leaves arranged in flat fan-like groups

Flowers long racemes of clear, small bright yellow flowers
Clusters are long-lived with dead flowers persisting below open ones

Fruit small, three-valved capsule

Propagation: break off stems and stick directly in soil - easy to divide

Usage: spreading, rugged groundcover plant for open, large, sunny areas; blends well with other succulents and large scale plantings; tends to overrun small plants so keep away from small-scale plantings

Landscape Care:

Watering very drought-tolerant, but grows faster with regular watering; can get by with two or three waterings per month in summer

Fertilizing slow-release at planting

Pruning remove dead flower stalks, control spreading branches

Pests/Diseases none

Special Conditions divide or cut back severely every two years

Origin: South Africa Family: Liliaceae