

Botanical Name: Bellis perennis

Common Name: English daisy

Type of Plant: Perennial/Annual Character Evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape small, clumping, upright plant with rosettes of dark green leaves -- brightly colored flowers held 4" above foliage

Height to 6" Spread to 6" Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors fun sun/partial shade in hot-summer areas

Soil needs a well-amended, moist soil

Hardiness hardy (all zones)

Morphology:

Leaves spatulate to obovate, 1-2" long -- somewhat pubescent -- somewhat crenate at the margin

Flowers head -- usually double, to 1 1/2" across -- pink, white, red, rose

Fruit small achenes

Propagation: seed/division

Usage: used for low borders, edging or foreground plant -- very effective when mixed with spring bulbs, along walkways, etc. Very good in color pots.

Landscape Care:

Watering requires ample watering -- keep fairly moist during all hot weather

Fertilizing slow-release fertilizer when planting

Pruning remove spent blooms

Pests/Diseases none major

Special Conditions usually used as an annual in hot-summer areas

Origin: Eur/W. Asia Family: Compositae