

Botanical Name: Eschscholzia californica

Common Name: California poppy

Type of Plant: dicot: annual Character winter annual

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape free-branching clump of upright lacy gray foliage, somewhat
spreading as it ages; bloom colors range from yellow to orange and into pink
tones

Height to 2' Spread to 2' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun

Soil likes a well-drained soil

Hardiness hardy, all zones

Morphology:

Leaves finely dissected, glaucous leaves more or less pinnatifid,
to 3" long, 3" wide

Flowers orange, red, white to 3" across
seed

Fruit long, narrow capsule to 4" long

Propagation: seed

Usage: good on banks, sunny hillsides, dry open areas, country

gardens and mixed borders - not usually used in close-up garden situations

Landscape Care:

Watering occasional watering will prolong spring blooming

Fertilizing none

Pruning pinch off dead flowers to prolong bloom

Pests/Diseases none

Special Conditions self-sows readily

Origin: Ca./Oregon Family: Papaveraceae