

Botanical Name: Santolina virens

Common Name: Green santolina

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape low-spreading sub-shrub, with bright green, fine textured  
aromatic foliage; forms a cushion-shaped mound

Height 1' - 2' Spread 3' - 4' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun

Soil tolerates any soil

Hardiness hardy - all zones

Morphology:

Leaves narrow, linear, with pinnate teeth along margins - 1" to  
1-1/2" long, 1/16" across; aromatic when brushed; bright green

Flowers small, globular, yellow-green heads; to 3/4" across -  
without petals

Fruit tiny achene

Propagation: semi-hardwood cuttings

Usage: good low facer or high groundcover; good on banks, dry  
slopes, or in rustic areas - fire retardant

Landscape Care:

Watering tolerates drought very well - little water needed after  
established

Fertilizing slow-release at planting

Pruning head or shear back in spring to force side growth and  
control height

Pests/Diseases root rot in wet, soggy areas

Special Conditions grows faster than gray Santolina

Origin: Mediterranean Family: Compositae