

Botanical Name: Arctotis hybridus

Common Name: Yellow African Daisy

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Family Asteraceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape dense, spreading vigorous groundcover with gray foliage and a prolific display of 2" yellow daisy flowers

Height to 1 ft. Spread 2 to 3 ft. Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun

Soil prefers fast-draining soils

Hardiness hardy; zones 7-9, 14-24

Morphology:

Leaves narrowly spatulate leaves to 3" long, 1/2" across, somewhat tomentose above and below; coarsely toothed and somewhat bronzy on margins

Flowers intense yellow daisy flowers with black centers and black tips at the base of the petals; flowers very heavily in spring

Fruit achenes

Propagation: stem cuttings

Usage: vigorous groundcover for large open areas where dense coverage is required; drought tolerant once established, so mixes well in Mediterranean gardens and California native gardens

Landscape Care:

Watering regular watering after planting for a few months; very drought tolerant when established; good drainage is helpful for longest life

Fertilizing generally none required

Pruning head back after bloom

Pests/Diseases root rot in heavy soils

Other plants do not thrive in high-heat areas

Origin: hybrid - originally from South Africa