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*Heterotheca 'Goldhill'*

Height: 2 inches

Spread: 10 inches

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 6a

#### Description:

A wonderful long blooming addition to garden beds, borders or patio containers; low growing, mounded gray-green foliage produces stems featuring yellow daisy-like flowers; a drought tolerant variety requiring little to no maintenance

#### Ornamental Features

Goldhill Golden Aster has masses of beautiful yellow daisy flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its tomentose narrow leaves remain grayish green in colour throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Goldhill Golden Aster is a dense herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Goldhill Golden Aster is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Goldhill Golden Aster in bloom*  
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*Goldhill Golden Aster flowers*  
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### Planting & Growing

Goldhill Golden Aster will grow to be only 2 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 inches. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 4 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Goldhill Golden Aster is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.