## **Lakeshore Garden Centres**

## Flow Punta Cana Carnation

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# Flow® Punta Cana® Carnation Dianthus caryophyllus 'Punta Cana'

Plant Height: 6 inches Flower Height: 8 inches

Spread: 10 inches
Spacing: 8 inches
Sunlight: • •

Hardiness Zone: (annual) Group/Class: Flow Series

#### **Description:**

A compact selection that features sturdy stems of large pale yellow double blooms, rising above dense green foliage; flowers from late spring through the summer months; vigorous, low uniform habit is perfect for border edges, beds, or containers



Flow Punta Cana Carnation flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Flow Punta Cana Carnation has masses of beautiful fragrant yellow frilly flowers with buttery yellow overtones at the ends of the stems from late spring to late summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its narrow leaves remain grayish green in colour with hints of silvery blue throughout the year.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Flow Punta Cana Carnation is an herbaceous annual with a mounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

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 bees and 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.

Flow Punta Cana Carnation is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

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#### **Planting & Growing**

Flow Punta Cana Carnation will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 8 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 10 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 8 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Flow Punta Cana Carnation 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.