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Cool Vibes Mellow

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Cool Vibes™ Mellow

Solenostemon scutellarioides 'Mellow'



Cool Vibes Mellow foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 20 inches

Spread: 20 inches

Spacing: 15 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Flame Nettle, Painted Nettle

Group/Class: Cool Vibes Series

Description:

This variety forms a round ball of small lime leaves with yellow highlights and jagged edges; leaf color is dependent on amount of sunshine; great for gardens, containers, hanging baskets, or as an edger

Ornamental Features

Cool Vibes Mellow's attractive small serrated pointy leaves remain lime green in colour with showy yellow variegation and tinges of gold throughout the year on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

Cool Vibes Mellow is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant. The flowers of this plant may actually detract from its ornamental features, so they can be removed as they appear. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Cool Vibes Mellow is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

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Planting & Growing

Cool Vibes Mellow will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 15 inches apart. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing 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 partial shade to shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Cool Vibes Mellow is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.