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### **Large Marge African Daisy**



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Plant Height: 6 inches
Flower Height: 12 inches

Spread: 3 feet
Sunlight: 

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Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### **Description:**

An eye catching groundcover perennial that produces very large, canary yellow blooms with black eyes from spring through fall; tolerates freezing temperatures only briefly; deadhead regularly to promote new blooms; tough, vigorous, and drought tolerant



Large Marge African Daisy flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Large Marge African Daisy features showy yellow daisy flowers with black eyes and gold anthers at the ends of the stems from early spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive tomentose pointy leaves remain grayish green in color with hints of silver throughout the year.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Large Marge African Daisy is a dense herbaceous annual with a ground-hugging 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Large Marge African Daisy is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

#### **Planting & Growing**

Large Marge African Daisy will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 12 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. 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.

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This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any 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.

Large Marge African Daisy is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.