# **Stonegate Gardens**

### Silver Leaf Yellow Strawflower

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## Silver Leaf Yellow Strawflower Chrysocephalum 'Silver Leaf Yellow'

Height: 14 inches Spread: 16 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### **Description:**

Masses of bright yellow button flowers cover the fine, silvery foliage from planting, to hard frost; excellent for border edges, the garden or containers

#### **Ornamental Features**

Silver Leaf Yellow Strawflower has masses of beautiful clusters of yellow button flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its tomentose narrow leaves remain silver in color throughout the season.



Silver Leaf Yellow Strawflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Silver Leaf Yellow Strawflower is a dense 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 has no significant negative characteristics.

Silver Leaf Yellow Strawflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

#### **Planting & Growing**

Silver Leaf Yellow Strawflower will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 16 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. 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.

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This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. 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.

Silver Leaf Yellow Strawflower 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.