# **Stonegate Gardens**

## Super Hero Orange Bee Marigold

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Super Hero<sup>™</sup> Orange Bee Marigold Tagetes patula 'Super Hero Orange Bee'

Height: 10 inches Spread: 12 inches Spacing: 10 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual) Other Names: French Marigold

### Description:

This beautiful compact and bushy variety produces bicolored orange and gold blooms all season long; fragrant dark green fern-like foliage; low maintenance makes this plant ideal for patio containers, hanging baskets and garden landscapes

#### **Ornamental Features**

Super Hero Orange Bee Marigold features bold orange pincushion flowers with gold overtones at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its fragrant ferny leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Super Hero Orange Bee Marigold is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. 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.



Super Hero Orange Bee Marigold flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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Super Hero Orange Bee Marigold is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

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### **Planting & Growing**

Super Hero Orange Bee Marigold will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.

Super Hero Orange Bee Marigold 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 larger 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.