# **Stonegate Gardens**

# Parish's Goldeneye

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## Parish's Goldeneye Viguiera parishii

Height: 4 feet
Spread: 4 feet
Spacing: 4 feet
Sunlight: •

Hardiness Zone: 8a

Other Names: Bahiopsis parishii, Shrubby Goldeneye

### **Description:**

A spring and sometimes fall blooming variety, featuring small daisy flowers over green, rough textured leaves; perfect for xeriscapes, alpine and rock gardens; attracts butterflies; cut back annually to maintain a dense, shrubby appearance

#### **Ornamental Features**

Parish's Goldeneye features dainty yellow daisy flowers with gold centers rising above the foliage from late spring to early fall. It has attractive green evergreen foliage. The small pointy leaves are highly ornamental and remain green throughout the winter. The gray branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Parish's Goldeneye is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.



Parish's Goldeneye flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Parish's Goldeneye in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds, bees and butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Self-Seeding

Parish's Goldeneye is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

### **Planting & Growing**

Parish's Goldeneye will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 4 feet apart. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for poor, alkaline soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is native to parts of North America..

Parish's Goldeneye makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used 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. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.