



**White-veined Sanchezia**  
*Sanchezia speciosa*

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Shrubby Whitevein, White Vein Plant

**Description:**

A spectacular, low maintenance shrub featuring large, dark green leaves with striking white veins; yellow tubular flowers with red bracts appear in summer; grows tall in frost free areas, and to about 3 feet after winter dieback

**Ornamental Features**

White-veined Sanchezia features showy clusters of yellow tubular flowers with brick red bracts at the ends of the branches from early to late summer. Its attractive large glossy oval leaves emerge yellow in spring, turning dark green in color with distinctive white veins and tinges of chartreuse the rest of the year.

**Landscape Attributes**

White-veined Sanchezia is a dense multi-stemmed 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, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

White-veined Sanchezia is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*White-veined Sanchezia flowers*  
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

White-veined *Sanchezia* will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. 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 full shade. Keep it well away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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 not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America.

White-veined *Sanchezia* is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. 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. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.