Tequila Sunrise Tickseed

Coreopsis 'Tequila Sunrise'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

Heat and drought tolerant, this compact selection features mounds of lovely green and creamy white variegated leaves and bright golden-yellow flowers with deep red centers; easy to grow, perfect for borders, beds and containers

Ornamental Features

Tequila Sunrise Tickseed is smothered in stunning yellow daisy flowers with harvest gold eyes and burgundy centers at the ends of the stems from early summer to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive ferny leaves remain green in color with showy creamy white variegation throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Tequila Sunrise Tickseed is an herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

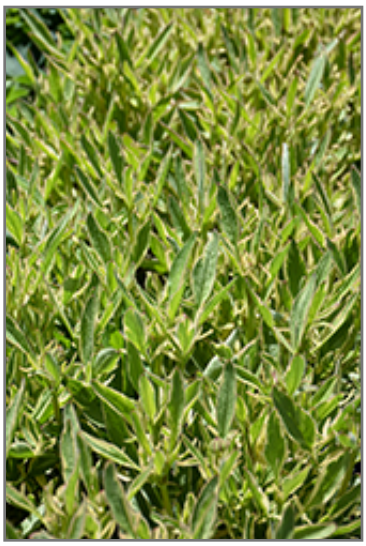
This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Tequila Sunrise Tickseed is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Tequila Sunrise Tickseed flowers
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Tequila Sunrise Tickseed foliage
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Planting & Growing

Tequila Sunrise Tickseed will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

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 pH, but grows best in poor soils. 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.

Tequila Sunrise Tickseed 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 and foliage 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.