

African Marigold (Any Color) - Plant



Marigold is among the very popular flowers commonly found in India and other countries.

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Description for African Marigold (Any Color)

Plant height: 5 - 9 inches

Plant spread: 4 - 6 inches

This product does not have the flowers at the time of shipping. Afterward, the plant will bloom and it could be of any colored flower.

In India marigold is one of the most commonly grown flowers and used extensively on religious and social functions in different forms. Flowers are sold in the market as loose or as garlands. This plant was used in ancient Greek, Roman, Arabic and Indian cultures as a medicinal herb as well as a dye for fabrics, foods, and cosmetics. The leaves are edible, with the petals added to dishes as a garnish and in lieu of saffron. They can be easily cultivated, are widely adaptable to varying soils and climatic conditions and have a good flowering duration. This bushy plant with around 20 to 30 species have a long flowering period and the colors range from orange, yellow, gold, cream to apricot. They are very much used in making garlands. Make excellent beds and pot decorations. This the plant was used in ancient Greek, Roman, Arabic and Indian cultures as a medicinal herb as well as a dye for fabrics, foods and cosmetics. The leaves are edible, with the petals added to dishes as a garnish and in lieu of saffron.

Common name(s): African Marigold (Yellow),Zendu,Marigold, Genda,Zandu,Banathi Puuvu, Camanti,Chandu Hoovu,Ganda, French Marigold

Flower colours: Not defined

Bloom time: Spring, Summer, Fall

Max reachable height: 2 to 3 feet

Difficulty to grow: Easy

Planting and care

Sow them directly into the garden or seedling tray once the soil is warm, or start seeds indoors about a month to 6 weeks before the last spring frost date.

Sunlight: at least six hours of direct sunlight and do well with year-round warm to hot weather

Soil: any soil type with moderately fertile, well-drained soil.

Water: Medium

Temperature: 20 to 30 degree C

Fertilizer: Marigolds thrive in poor soil and fertilizer often creates lush, rich foliage with few blooms.

Caring for African Marigold

- Germination from large, easily handled seeds is rapid, and blooms should appear within a few weeks of sowing.
- When you water marigolds, allow the soil to dry somewhat between watering, then water well, then repeat the process.
- The densely double flower heads of the African marigolds tend to rot in wet weather.
- Do not water marigolds from overhead.
- Water at the base of the plant.

Harvesting

Spring, Summer, Fall

Typical uses of African Marigold

Special features: Due to its variable height and colour marigold is especially useful for decoration and included in landscape plans.

Culinary use: The bright petals of signet marigolds add colour and a spicy tang to salads and other summer dishes. The flower petals are sometimes cooked with rice to impart the colour (but unfortunately not the flavour) of saffron.

Ornamental use: It is used as the edge plant or bed plant.

Medicinal use: One of the health benefits of marigolds is that it is used in the treatment of minor burns when used in the form of ointments or a tincture.

Health benefits and therapeutic uses of marigold flowers as well as the leaves of the marigold include it being beneficial in minimizing the number of tumours in the case of breast cancer as well as in the prevention of the development of new cancer cells.

One of the medicinal uses of marigolds is that it promotes the growth of both new blood vessels as well as new skin tissue and hence it is used in the healing of wounds such as burns, scrapes as well as irritated skin.

Note: Use only after consulting the specialist.

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