

**Mountain Gold Aurinia***Aurinia montanum 'Mountain Gold'*

Height: 6 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Description:

Sown in early spring, this cherished heirloom quickly matures into a glorious mat of bright yellow in a dazzling floral display all season long; trim back to get returning blooms; an arresting sight when massed

Ornamental Features

Mountain Gold Aurinia is covered in stunning clusters of fragrant yellow star-shaped flowers along the stems from mid spring to mid fall. Its small narrow leaves remain dark green in color throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Mountain Gold Aurinia is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and 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.

Mountain Gold Aurinia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Mountain Gold Aurinia will grow to be only 5 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and tends to be biennial, meaning that it puts on vegetative growth the first year, flowers the second, and then dies. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.



Mountain Gold Aurinia flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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 rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.