Happy Centennial Forsythia

Forsythia 'Happy Centennial'



Happy Centennial Forsythia in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Goldenbells

Description:

A low growing groundcover, an unusual application for a Forsythia, yellow flowers are not as abundant as on other varieties but still ornamental; spreads vigorously, makes an excellent quick groundcover

Ornamental Features

Happy Centennial Forsythia is clothed in stunning gold bell-shaped flowers along the branches in early spring before the leaves. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has forest green deciduous foliage. The serrated pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Happy Centennial Forsythia is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Happy Centennial Forsythia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Groundcover

Planting & Growing

Happy Centennial Forsythia will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. 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 40 years or more.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.