Magnificum Leopard's Bane

Doronicum orientale 'Magnificum'



Magnificum Leopard's Bane flowers
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Height: 24 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 2

Description:

From sun to shade, this variety features large sunshine yellow daisy-like flowers rising above mounded, green heart-shaped foliage; blooms middle of spring before going summer dormant; excellent for cut-flower arrangements, borders and containers

Ornamental Features

Magnificum Leopard's Bane has masses of beautiful yellow daisy flowers at the ends of the stems in late spring, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its serrated heart-shaped leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Magnificum Leopard's Bane is an herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. 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 should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Magnificum Leopard's Bane is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Magnificum Leopard's Bane will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. 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! As this plant tends to go dormant in summer, it is best interplanted with late-season bloomers to hide the dying foliage.

This plant performs well in both full sun and full shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Magnificum Leopard's Bane is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. 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.