Happy Butterfly Dahlia

Dahlia 'Happy Butterfly'



Happy Butterfly Dahlia flowers
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Height: 4 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

An upright, bushy variety that produces buttery yellow and peach double blooms with streaks of pink, rising above dark green foliage; perfect for gardens, borders, containers and fresh cut flower arrangements; deadhead to encourage new blooms

Ornamental Features

Happy Butterfly Dahlia features showy double buttery yellow daisy flowers with peach overtones, fuchsia eyes and pink streaks at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its serrated pointy leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Happy Butterfly Dahlia is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting birds, bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Happy Butterfly Dahlia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Happy Butterfly Dahlia will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. This annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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. 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.

Happy Butterfly Dahlia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. 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.