Silver Spangled Yellow Archangel

Lamiastrum galeobdolon 'Silver Spangled'

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: False Lamium, syn. Galeobdolon luteum

Description:

A fast spreading, bushy carpet of striking silver leaves with contrasting dark green veins; small yellow flowers in late spring; an aggressive spreader as stems root to the ground; an easy solution to dry shade areas; best in bright shade

Ornamental Features

Silver Spangled Yellow Archangel is bathed in stunning spikes of yellow flowers rising above the foliage from late spring to mid summer. Its attractive serrated narrow leaves remain silver in color with distinctive dark green veins throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Silver Spangled Yellow Archangel is an herbaceous perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a high maintenance plant that will require regular care and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Invasive

Silver Spangled Yellow Archangel is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Groundcover
- Container Planting



Silver Spangled Yellow Archangel flowers
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Silver Spangled Yellow Archangel in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Silver Spangled Yellow Archangel will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 inches apart. It grows at a fast 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!

This plant does best in a location that gets morning sunlight but is shaded from the hot afternoon sun, although it will also grow in full shade. Keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. 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.

Silver Spangled Yellow Archangel is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.