Yellow Boronia

Boronia megastigma 'Lutea'



Yellow Boronia
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Height: 5 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 9

Description:

A medium upright evergreen shrub with fine aromatic foliage, presenting fragrant masses of yellow bell shaped flowers, appearing in late winter through spring; protect from frost; a wonderful, fragrant display for beds or containers

Ornamental Features

Yellow Boronia is clothed in stunning fragrant nodding yellow bell-shaped flowers along the branches from late winter to late spring, which emerge from distinctive chartreuse flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage. The small fragrant needles are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Yellow Boronia is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Yellow Boronia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Yellow Boronia will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub 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. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for sandy, acidic soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Yellow Boronia makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use 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 grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.