Ember Glow Strawflower

Helichrysum amorginum 'Ember Glow'



Ember Glow Strawflower flowers
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Ember Glow Strawflower in bloom
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Plant Height: 12 inches

Flower Height: 18 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 7

Description:

This warm climate perennial presents attractive silver wooly leaves crowned by interesting red-orange blooms; wonderful contrast for garden beds, patio containers and rock gardens; very drought tolerant once established

Ornamental Features

Ember Glow Strawflower features showy clusters of orange star-shaped flowers with red overtones and a scarlet flare at the ends of the stems from late spring to late summer. Its attractive tomentose narrow leaves remain grayish green in color throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Ember Glow Strawflower is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a mounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, 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.

Ember Glow Strawflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Ember Glow Strawflower will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any 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 not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils. 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 cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Ember Glow Strawflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.