Colorado Gold Gazania

Gazania linearis 'Colorado Gold'

Plant Height: 3 inches

Flower Height: 5 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Hardy Gazania

Description:

This cold hardy gazania has bright yellow, daisy-like flowers, sometimes with a curious brown ring around the center disk; thick, glossy, dark-green leaves with silvery undersides form a mat



Colorado Gold Gazania flowers
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Colorado Gold Gazania in bloom
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Ornamental Features

Colorado Gold Gazania features showy yellow daisy flowers with gold eyes and a dark brown ring at the ends of the stems from early summer to early fall. Its attractive glossy narrow leaves remain dark green in color with curious silver undersides throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Colorado Gold Gazania is an herbaceous perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. 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 is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Self-Seeding

Colorado Gold Gazania is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting



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Planting & Growing

Colorado Gold Gazania will grow to be only 3 inches tall at maturity extending to 5 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 8 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 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. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. 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.

Colorado Gold Gazania 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.