Buttered Popcorn Buttercup

Ranunculus repens 'Buttered Popcorn'



Buttered Popcorn Buttercup foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 10 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 2

Other Names: Creeping Buttercup

Description:

This dense creeping groundcover features attractive chartreuse, gold and green-variegated leaves which are even more intense in deeper shade; bright yellow buttercup flowers top it off in spring

Ornamental Features

Buttered Popcorn Buttercup has masses of beautiful double yellow round flowers at the ends of the stems in mid spring, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive serrated lobed leaves remain chartreuse in color with showy yellow variegation and tinges of lime green throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Buttered Popcorn Buttercup 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 relatively low maintenance plant, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Buttered Popcorn Buttercup is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Bog Gardens

Planting & Growing

Buttered Popcorn Buttercup will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. 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 5 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 full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in moist to wet soil, and will even tolerate some 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.