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Mango Meadowbrite™ Coneflower

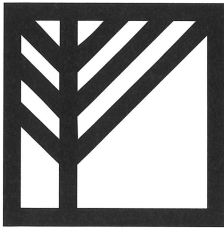
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Botanical Name

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Common Name

Mango Meadowbrite™ coneflower

Family

Asteraceae

Origin

Mango Meadowbrite is a yellow branch sport of Orange Meadowbrite™, the first perennial introduction from Dr. Jim Ault of the Chicago Botanic Garden.

Hardiness

U.S.D.A. Zones 4-9

Bloom Season

This selection starts blooming in northern Illinois (U.S.D.A. zone 5) in mid-June, with a heavy flush in early to mid-July, then a continuation of at least a few flower heads well into September.

General Description and Habit

This new coneflower has luscious, mango-yellow-colored rays, a bright golden-orange cone, and perhaps the strongest fragrance yet of any coneflower. Mango's tropical-colored blooms float above healthy, grass-green foliage in midsummer. It is a vigorous plant with lance-shaped, semi-glossy, deep green foliage.

Size

2½' to 3' high x 2½' to 3' wide wide in two years.

Growth Rate

Medium

Ornamental Characteristics

Mango Meadowbrite is a deep yellow branch sport of Orange Meadowbrite™, with the same wonderful habit, vigor and drought tolerance. Orange-yellow ray flowers, a golden-orange cone and mouth-watering fragrance make this brightly colored beauty a perfect addition to summer-blooming borders and cutting gardens. Plant this with Orange Meadowbrite for a tropical medley of brightly colored blooms during the hottest summer months.

Culture

Prefers well-drained but moist soils and full sun.

Pest and Disease Problems

None known.

Landscape Value

Mixed borders, perennial borders and foundation plantings for home gardens as well as commercial landscape use.

Propagation

Division, vegetative and root cuttings, tissue culture.

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