



# BUCHANAN'S

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# NATIVE PLANTS



## Golden Moss Stonecrop

*Sedum acre*

Plant Height: 2 inches

Flower Height: 4 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 15 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Golden Mossy, Wall Pepper, Golden Carpet

### Ornamental Features

Golden Moss Stonecrop is covered in stunning yellow star-shaped flowers at the ends of the stems from early to mid summer. Its attractive tiny succulent needle-like leaves remain lime green in color throughout the year. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

### Landscape Attributes

Golden Moss Stonecrop is a dense herbaceous evergreen 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. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Golden Moss Stonecrop is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



*Golden Moss Stonecrop flowers*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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## **Planting & Growing**

Golden Moss Stonecrop will grow to be only 2 inches tall at maturity extending to 4 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 15 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 10 years.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division.