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## **Butterfly Marguerite Daisy** *Argyranthemum frutescens* 'Butterfly'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

### **Ornamental Features**

Butterfly Marguerite Daisy has masses of beautiful lemon yellow daisy flowers with yellow centers at the ends of the stems from early summer to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its tiny deeply cut ferny leaves remain grayish green in color throughout the season. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Butterfly Marguerite Daisy is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Butterfly Marguerite Daisy is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Butterfly Marguerite Daisy will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.



*Butterfly Marguerite Daisy flowers*  
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This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. 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.

Butterfly Marguerite Daisy 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 against which the larger 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.