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Maché™ Fire Ranunculus

Ranunculus 'Mache Fire'

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

A lovely early to mid spring series featuring vigorous plants with excellent uniformity; brightly colored, fully doubled blooms rise above lush green foliage; an outstanding choice for garden beds, borders and containers and flower arrangements

Ornamental Features

Maché Fire Ranunculus has masses of beautiful double gold round flowers with red overtones and a dark red flare at the ends of the stems from early to mid spring, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its serrated lobed leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Maché Fire Ranunculus 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 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 bees and 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.

Maché Fire Ranunculus is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting



*Maché Fire Ranunculus flowers
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Planting & Growing

Maché Fire Ranunculus will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. 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.

Maché Fire Ranunculus 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.