



Starmaker Deep Lime Flowering Tobacco Nicotiana 'Starmaker Deep Lime'

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Starmaker Series

Description:

This vigorous, compact variety produces amazing lime green, star-shaped flowers above rich green foliage, from early summer, through fall; fragrant, with rich, enduring color; a great choice for beds, borders, or containers; low maintenance



Starmaker Deep Lime Flowering Tobacco flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Starmaker Deep Lime Flowering Tobacco features showy fragrant lime green star-shaped flowers at the ends of the stems from early summer to mid fall. Its pointy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Starmaker Deep Lime Flowering Tobacco is a dense herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds 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.

Starmaker Deep Lime Flowering Tobacco is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Planting & Growing

Starmaker Deep Lime Flowering Tobacco will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing 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 does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets. 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.

Starmaker Deep Lime Flowering Tobacco is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. 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.