

## Tagetes erecta

### (Mexican marigold)

African marigold is a bushy annual with large yellow or orange flower head. It grows best in the sun and can take some heat and periods of drought. These common bedding plants look great in beds and containers. They use this plants inter cropping with vegetables or fruit trees as the marigold roots emit a substance that deters root-damaging nematodes.



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Rose d'Inde

**Arabic Name:** مخملية قائمة

**Pronunciation:** TAG-e-teez ee-RECK-tuh

**Plant Type:** Groundcover

**Origin:** Mexico, Central America

**Heat Zones:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

**Hardiness Zones:**

**Uses:** Container, Cut Flowers / Arrangements, Ground cover

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Fast

**Tree Shape:** Upright

**Height at Maturity:** Less than 0.5 m

**Spread at Maturity:** Less than 50 cm

**Time to Ultimate Height:** 1 Year

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Flower Image

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### Botanical Description

#### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Deciduous

**Leaf Type:** Odd Pinnately compound

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Lanceolate

**Leaf Margins:** Serrate

**Leaf Textures:** Medium

**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance

**Color(growing season):** Green

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#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 3 - 7

**Flower Type:** Capitulum

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** Yellow, Orange

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** No

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** No

**Salt Tolerance:** Poor

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full, Part

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#### Management

**Toxity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** No

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Edible Parts:** None

**Plant Propagations:** Seed

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