



Yellow Loosestrife (*Lysimachia Punctata*)

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Yellow loosestrife is a bushy, upright perennial that spreads by rhizomes. It has bright yellow, cupped flowers borne in the leaf axils in mid to late summer. It may be somewhat aggressive in nature. Yellow loosestrife is not native to Minnesota.

Type	Perennial
Hardiness Zone	4 - 9
Sun	Full sun to partial shade
Bloom Time	Mid to late summer
Height	2' - 3'
Spread	2' - 3'
Tolerance	Drought tolerant for short periods
Attracts	Butterflies, bees and pollinators
Additional Features	aggressive

Soil and Site Recommendations

- Drainage: soil should be humus rich, fertile, moist and well drained; *L. punctata* is tolerant of very short dry periods
- Type: tolerant of a variety of soils, including clay, loam and sandy
- Placement considerations: works well in a herbaceous border, bog garden or pond margin

Planting Recommendations

- Type: Sow seed indoors or directly outside in early spring. Move plants outside in spring or summer
- Mulching: may help with moisture retention in some garden areas
- Spacing: two feet
- Spread: may be prone to spreading, if this is a concern, a clump may be planted in a large nursery container, then set into the ground
- Division/transplant tips: divide plants in spring or fall.

Maintenance

- Watering: Don't let soil completely dry out, especially if in full sun



Common Problems

Disease: rust and leaf spot

Insects: mites

Resources

Questions or problems: “What’s wrong with my plant?”

<http://apps.extension.umn.edu/garden/diagnose/plant/>

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