

Chrysanthemum

Dendranthema x grandiflora

Chrysanthemum is a large genus in the Asteraceae (daisy) family. of which there are thousands of cultivars. The name "chrysanthemum" is derived from ancient Greek for the words gold and flower. The plants can grow 2-4 feet tall with blooms that are white, yellow, or pink in the wild species. There are now cultivars with many colors and shapes of flowers. Mums are divided into garden hardy and exhibition types. Garden hardy mums can be planted in gardens while exhibition mums are more florist types and need special growing care.

Type: herbaceous perennial

USDA hardiness zones: 3a through 9b

Uses: borders, containers

Origin: not native to Florida

Height: 2 to 4 feet **Spread:** 2 to 3 feet

Plant spacing: 1 to 3 feet

Light requirement: Full sun/Partial Shade

Soil tolerances: needs well-drained and slightly acidic soil

Drought tolerance: good

Soil salt tolerances: high

Invasive potential: not invasive

Pest resistance: no significant problems

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