

Tagetes

'Gold Medal'

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Well Drained
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Do Not Overwater



30cm



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Tagetes lucida

KEY BENEFITS

It is confusing, we have African Marigolds which originate in Mexico and French Marigolds that are from Central American States and then we have derivatives from these which are loosely called Garden Marigolds. Marigolds are so well known by gardeners everywhere from the developed western countries into the Asian countries where there are many instances where they are used in religious ceremonies. Easy to grow in most sunny garden beds the Marigold is truly a garden favourite.

ORIGIN

Southern USA, Mexico and Central America are the areas where *Tagetes* grow in nature. As the literature states much hybridization has been done with this family so it is muddled as to parentage. *Tagetes 'Gold Medal'* comes from some of the forgotten members of the family. We have seen some of these growing in gardens in parts of Sea World, San Diego, USA. Heights varied from 10cm to 3m. All were attractive and attracting some attention from humming-birds.

USES

Few plants are more versatile being used for garden beds, edgings and borders. There are many sizes by height in the way they grow. *Tagetes 'Gold Medal'* is a biennial grown because every day of the year it is likely to be in flower. It is a tender herbaceous perennial and is one of the more than thirty *Tagetes* (Marigolds) from Central America that are now gaining favour with breeders. *'Gold Medal'* has a perfume unlike any other Marigold we have seen. Flowers are true gold. Use as a ground cover in garden beds or as a base for mixed planters.

CARE

Very little after care is needed when growing *Tagetes* (Marigolds). Once they are planted and established they grow themselves. They do not like soils that are too rich in nitrogen, this encourages excess foliage. A dressing of super-phosphate worked into the garden bed is beneficial to best flowering. Watch the watering; they resent being kept too moist. It is far better growing them a little on the dry side for best flowering. As the flowers die they will fold under so on *'Gold Medal'* there is no dead-heading needed.

Another super selection from the team at Aussie Winners.