Champagne Bubbles Scarlet Poppy

Papaver nudicaule 'Champagne Bubbles Scarlet'



Champagne Bubbles Scarlet Poppy flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 15 inches

Spread: 6 inches

Spacing: 6 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Icleand Poppy, Arctic Poppy

Description:

A clump-forming self-seeding selection, offering a display of color with large plate-like scarlet flowers, on strong stems; very pretty, with a long-lasting garden performance

Ornamental Features

Champagne Bubbles Scarlet Poppy features showy scarlet round flowers with buttery yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from early spring to early summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its tomentose ferny leaves remain bluish-green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Champagne Bubbles Scarlet Poppy is an open herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Self-Seeding

Champagne Bubbles Scarlet Poppy is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Champagne Bubbles Scarlet Poppy will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 15 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 6 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 6 inches apart. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 3 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen! As this plant tends to go dormant in summer, it is best interplanted with late-season bloomers to hide the dying foliage.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. To help this plant achive its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider covering it with a thick layer of mulch in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selection of a native North American species.

Champagne Bubbles Scarlet Poppy is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. 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.