

Helianthus helianthoides

'Summer Sun'

North American Native Cultivar



Heliopsis (hee-lee-op-sis)
From Greek *helios*, the sun,
and *opsis*, resemblance,
referring to the flower heads.

helianthoides
(hee-lee-anth-oi-deez)
meaning like Helianthus.



Zones: 5 – 9

Flower Color: Golden yellow

Height: 3 – 4'

Spacing: 18"



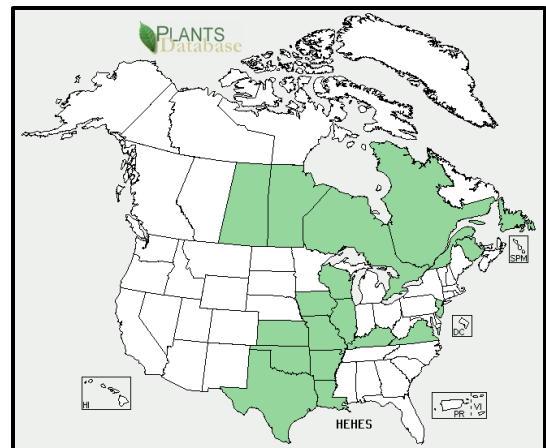
'Summer Sun' is a rugged, vigorous and more compact than the species. This native provides a never-ending supply of golden-yellow semi-double long-stemmed daisies that resemble small sunflowers, above glossy deep green foliage.

About the Species:

Common Name: False sunflower, Smooth oxeye

Family: Asteraceae

Habitat: found growing in moist to dry soils in open woodlands, thickets, prairies and disturbed areas.



USDA Plants Database

In the Garden: 'Summer Sun' is perfect for the middle to back of the border when a splash of bright yellow is needed. Three to four feet tall, it is a burst of sunshine. Use one as a focal point or cluster them for maximum effect. Surround with coordinating colors or contrast with other

bold colors. This plant will stand out anywhere. Birds will enjoy the seeds in the fall and winter adding even more color to the garden. Any seedlings are easily transplanted or passed along to friends and family. Long blooming, and a sunflower look-alike, 'Summer Sun' is great for a cutting garden and will attract butterflies.