

Mathiasella - Growing Guide

Growing Mathiasella

bupleuroides 'Green Dream'

This is a semi-evergreen perennial which can lose some of its leaves in a cold winter or in colder parts of the country. If it does new shoots will appear in the spring. Although Mathiasella comes originally from Mexico it is perfectly tolerant of UK conditions. A good autumn mulching will help feed the plant and protect it.

These plants prefer full sun or partial shade but they dislike being waterlogged in the winter. They are grown for their outstanding, nodding, jade green bell like bracts which appear from April to June. These appear in large umbels of many flower heads. The anthers and stamens inside the bract are purplish-black. The flowers and flower heads gradually fade to pink and can be cut and dried for flower arranging.

When established and mature this plant will grow to between 3 and 5ft with a spread of 2-2½ft. Clumps can be divided when dormant in early spring.



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