

Milium - Growing Guide

Growing Milium Effusum 'Aureum'

Golden wood millet

This is a slow spreading semi-evergreen perennial grass which is totally hardy despite its appearance. It prefers to grow in partial shade because its strap shaped rich golden yellow leaves can get scorched in full sun or in drought. Moist conditions in improved soil suit it well.

This plant 'glows' in the border especially in spring and can make an effective edging plant. The leaves achieve a height of about 12in but the delicate nodding flower stems with tiny golden spikelets or flower heads can rise a further 12in or so above the leaves. The flowering stems start to appear in late spring and mature in summer.

This plant comes true from seed and may well self-seed itself nearby. However it is most easily propagated by division of clumps in spring.



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