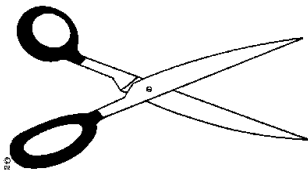


Garden Treasure Peony



**Huge fragrant
blooms
great for
cutting!**



Paeonia 'Garden Treasure' Itoh type

- **Use:** Add sunshine to the spring garden with the radiant, semi-double to double blossoms of Intersectional (Itoh) Garden Treasure Peony. The aptly named variety produces a mound of deeply dissected dark green leaves on woody stems, providing the perfect backdrop for an extended show of sunny yellow blooms with red highlights at the center. The strong stems generally produce multiple buds.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant in full or part sun (afternoon shade is recommended in the South. Prefers well-drained soil enriched with organic matter. If your soil is extremely acid, add a few handfuls of lime at planting time. **WE LOVE PEONIES, BUT THEY ARE NOT A BEGINNER PLANT! GREAT LOCATION WITH DRAINAGE NEEDED AND SOIL PREP FOR SUCCESS!**
- **Growth:** Plants are very big; they can ultimately reach 4-5' with a similar spread after 5 yrs, although more likely to be 2-3' in height and spread. Plants can take 3-5 years to reach full maturity.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 4-8; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. The red to forest-green shoots appear in mid-spring and form a bushy clump of lustrous dark green deeply lobed foliage that makes a lovely hedge or backdrop to the flower garden.
- **Flowers:** Beautiful yellow, semi-double, very fragrant blooms with muted red flares, mid to late season. One to three flowers per stem, sidebuds on long stems suitable for cutting, little benefit in disbudding. Long flowering, with the mid to late season lactifloras, up to 2 1/2 weeks. Fragrant. Very little pollen. Certificate of Merit Award, 1984.
- **Tips:** Plant them shallow, mulch in the summer, take off the mulch in the winter, and they prefer a little afternoon shade. Cold winters will ensure lots of blossoms so plant them where they will get cold in the winter. It usually takes a few years for Peonies to produce a lot of flowers!

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