Viola Etain



The lightly scented flowers appear all summer, held well above clumps of bright green leaves. It's one of the prettiest Violets.

Viola cornuta 'Etain'

- <u>Use:</u> If you love violas, then this is the one you must have in your garden! Viola Etain is probably the best of the viola family of flowers. It is a compact, reliable, steady performer in the garden. It is a beautiful English hybrid with 1.5 inch pale yellow lavender blossoms. It has a nice fragrance. Even though blooms are heaviest in spring to early summer, flowers will continue on this steady performer in the heat of summer.
- Exposure/Soil: Plant in full sun. These smaller flowering violas are more shade tolerant. Must amend the soil if you have poor soil (like red clay). We recommend a peat based Soil. Require different fertilizer than most plants as they grow in the winter. Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer with Nitrate not Ammonium nitrogen form of fertilizer for best results.
- **Growth**: A mounding type which grows from 6 to 12 inches in height. It is very low maintenance and works well in many places such as flower beds, as a border, in a rock garden, and especially well in containers. As with most violas, Etain can get leggy and sloppy sometimes. When this happens, take a scissor to the plant and cut it back. This will bring the plant back to its nice compact style.
- <u>Hardiness</u>: Zone 4-9; Perennial, but treated as an Annual as they are not attractive in the summer, but can survive with other plants shading them until fall when they will return. Reseed.
- Foliage: Semi-Evergreen; small green leaves.
- **Flower:** Pale lemon yellow with lavender-purple flowers. Although strongest blooms occur in late spring to early summer. Will rebloom sporadically through fall.