

**WARM SEASON ANNUAL FLOWERS for San Joaquin Valley Gardens**  
*UC Master Gardeners of Tulare & Kings Counties*



**Impatiens: Tempo Deep Pink**



**Impatiens: Super Elfin Blue Pearl**

**IMPATIENS (*Impatiens walleriana*):** America's favorite shade bedding plant. Summer-long color. Available in red, pink, white, coral, orange, and bicolors. Low, mounded habit.

Impatiens is an excellent choice for containers and hanging baskets, for edging paths and borders, at the foundation, and for bedding. It is most effective planted in masses. Combine the colorful flowers of impatiens with ferns, ivy, hostas, coral bells, and other shade loving plants with outstanding foliage.

**Recommended varieties:** The 'Super Elfin' series offers a huge range of colors on compact plants bred for bedding. The New Guinea group of hybrid impatiens has flowers up to 2½ inches wide and attractive leaves that can be variegated or tinged with purple. They tolerated more sun than other impatiens.

**MARIGOLDS (*Tagetes hybrids*):** Annual; hot, brilliant colors; abundant summer-long bloom; good for bedding and edging.

These versatile plants attract butterflies and bring long-lasting bright color to the garden. Easy to grow these Mexican natives vary in height from 6" dwarfs to bushy plants 3' tall. Tall varieties may need staking. Marigolds prefer moist, well-drained soil but tolerate many other soil types. Deadhead for maximum bloom.

**Recommended Varieties:** French marigold, *Tagetes patula*, is 6-8" high with single or double flowers; 'Bonanza Bolero' has crested blossoms bicolored in red and yellow on 10" plants. Signet marigold, *T. tenuifolia*, is 12-24" tall and edible with dainty, single flowers and ferny, aromatic leaves. Mexican mint marigold, *T. lucida*, is edible and grows up to 3' high and wide with single yellow flowers and licorice-scented leaves. Do not use chemicals on flowers grown for eating. African marigold, *T. erecta*, is 1-3' tall with double, zinnialike heads.



**Granada French Marigold- *T. patula***



**Signet marigold - *T. tenuifolia***



**Mexican mint marigold – *T. lucida***



**African hybrids - *T. erecta***

**GLORIOSA DAISIES AND BLACK-EYED SUSANS (*Rudbeckia* species):** Annuals or perennials; zones 3-10; golden yellow daisies with a dark brown center; excellent for cutting; blooms summer to fall.

Growers have developed many attractive selections of this North American wildflower, ranging from 1 to 8' tall. Rays can be single or double in gold or lemon yellow; the centers vary from dark brown to purplish-brown or green.



**Gloriosa daisy**  
Rustic colors- *Rudbeckia hirta*



**Gloriosa daisy**  
Irish Eyes – *R. hirta*



**Gloriosa daisy**  
Sonora – *R. hirta*



**Goldsturm Black-eyed Susan**  
*Rudbeckia fulgida* - perennial



**Globe amaranth**  
*Gomphrena globosa*



**Larkspur**  
*Consolida ambigua*



**Nasturtium**  
*Tropaeolum sp.*



**Vinca**  
*Catharanthus roseus*

**PETUNIAS** - *Petunia x hybrida*: Annual; prolific; myriad of colors; trailing habit; valuable groundcover. Wave, Surfinia & Supertunia series are popular now.



**Petunia MOONFACE**



**Surfinia petunia**



**Purple Wave Petunia**



**Tidal Wave Silver**

**ZINNIAS**: Annual; brilliant flowers on bush plants; attract songbirds, hummingbirds, and butterflies; good cut flowers; forms can be upright, bushy or spreading.



**Zinnia elegans**



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**Peter Pan hybrids - Zinnia elegans  
dwarf bedding series**



**Lilliput mix (Z. elegans)**



**Profusion Apricot & Profusion Fire  
Z. angustifolia x elegans**



**Profusion Apricot  
Z. angustifolia x elegans**



**Old Mexico Zinnia  
Z. haageana**



**Mexican Zinnia  
Z. angustifolia 'Star Series' - white**