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North Dakota Tree Selector

General

Scientific Name: *Ribes odoratum*

Family: Grossulariaceae (Currant/Gooseberry)

Hardiness: Zone 2

Leaves: Deciduous

Plant Type: Shrub

Growth

Rate: Medium

Mature Height: >7'

Longevity: Short

Power Line: Yes

Ornamental

Flowers: Yellow

Fruit: Purple to black

Fall Color: Yellow

Golden (Clove) Current

Description

A small shrub native to the western United States. Similar to golden currant (*R. aureum*). Well adapted to growing conditions in the north. Fragrant, yellow, clove-scented flowers.

Preferences

Light: Full sun to part shade.

Water: Medium.

Soil: Tolerates poor soils and drought.

Comments

Golden currant blooms best in full sun; in shade there are fewer flowers. Prefers consistent and even moisture. Avoid overhead watering. Renewal prune in late winter to early spring each year as needed. Younger branches generally produce the most fruit. If fruit production is a concern, older, weakened and/or damaged branches should be removed to open up the bush and promote more abundant fruiting. Propagate by cuttings or seed. Plants may spread by root suckers to form clumps if suckers are not removed.



Credits: Tree Selector Website, <http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=m110>

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