



Marigold



"The Marigold is a reminder that life is beautiful, even in its darkest moments."



Marigolds are a staple of American yards. These easy, sturdy annuals bloom profusely and reliably over the summer, culminating in a splendid show during the cooler days of autumn.

As a group marigolds are very easy to grow. They are suitable for borders, beds, cut flowers, and containers. Some vegetable gardeners even plant them among their food plants, believing that the strong smell of their foliage and a chemical in their roots repel certain pests.

Size of Marigolds

There is considerable variation in height within each group of marigolds.

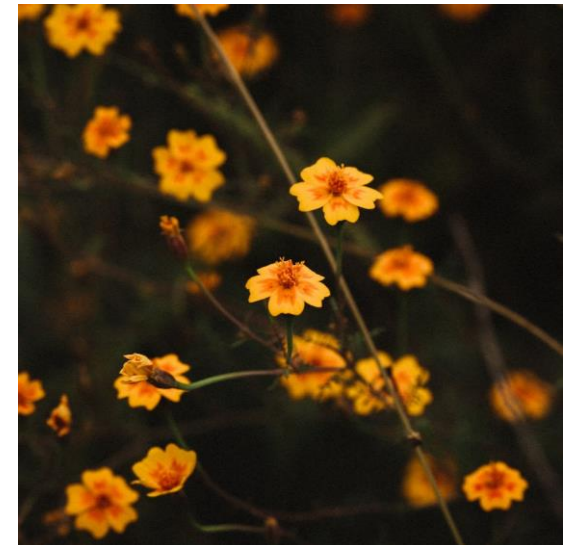
American ones are the tallest, growing from between 10 to 36 inches tall.




The French types tend to be from 6 to 18 inches, while the triploids, a cross between these two, are generally from 12 to 20 inches tall.




Signet marigolds are the smallest, usually reaching about 8 inches. At maturity individual marigold plants typically become quite bushy.



Foliage of Marigolds




Marigolds have dark green feathery foliage. Individual leaves have a fine-textured look because they are compound--pairs of tiny, toothed leaflets growing opposite each other along the main leaf stem and one leaflet at the tip. Marigold foliage is notorious for its distinctive, musky odor, although some hybrids are odorless. Signet types have finer, ferny foliage with a pleasant lemon scent.



Flowers of Marigolds

Marigolds bloom from early summer to first frost. They have a slightly sweet fragrance that, except for the signet types, is usually overwhelmed by their strong foliage scent. Blossoms can be pure white to ivory, gold, orange, to yellow and peach.





We discussed Marigold selections
in this presentation, and you may
learn more about Marigold on our
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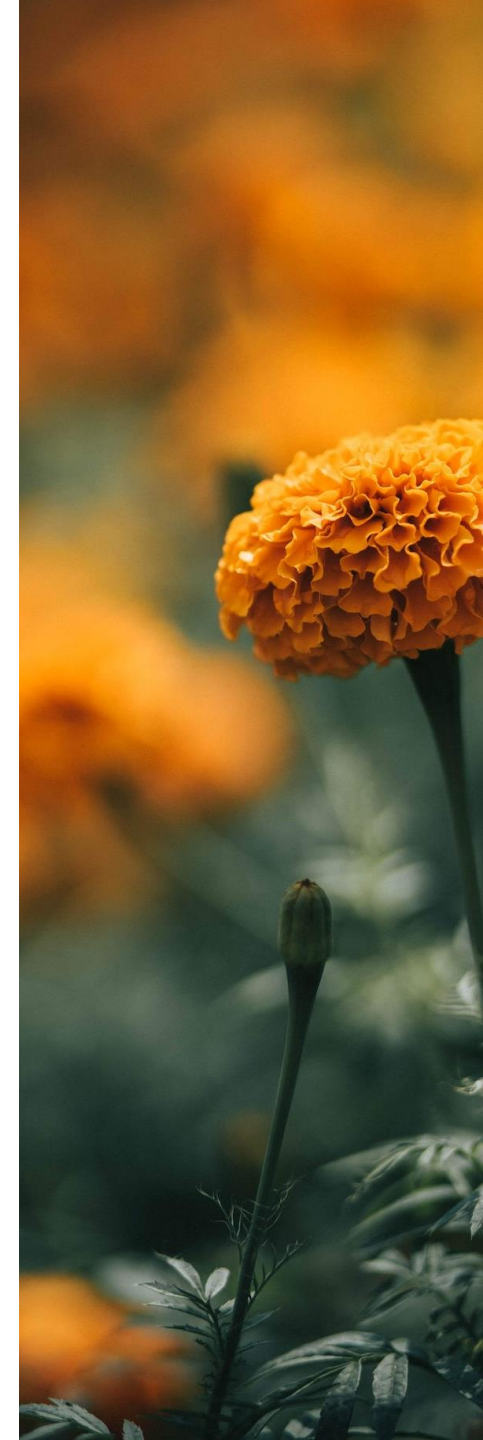
MARIGOLD CHOICES

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There are several types of marigolds: French, which are small and dainty; American, which are taller with large flowers;

Triploid hybrids which are a combination of these two types; and Signet, which very dainty and spreading.





Marigold 'Disco™ Red' *Tagetes patula*

This free flowering French marigold is a full sun annual with single-flowered bright red 1.5-inch yellow centered blooms. Upright 16-inch tall plant with 12-inch spread is perfect for container, garden and mass planting. (Grown by Bodger Seeds)





Marigold 'Marvelous Orange' *Tagetes patula*

The largest flowered French crested marigold on the market. Fully crested blooms often measure up to 3 inches in diameter. The 12-inch tall plants flower early with a nice mounded habit. Series also includes 'Yellow' and 'Flame.' (Grown by Sakata)



American (*Tagetes erecta*) hybrids:

Climax series has fully double, 4 1/2 inch wide, ruffled blossoms, ideal for cutting.

'First Lady' is a #1 all-time All-America Selections winner with sturdy, double, yellow blooms.

French (*Tagetes patula*):

'Queen Sophia' an All-America Selection, its large blossoms change color over the season; russet red with gold trimmed petals.

'Disco Mix' has 2 inch wide single flowers, early bloomer, rain tolerant.

'Bolero' an All-America Selection, is double, bicolor red and gold.

Signet (*Tagetes tenuifolia*):

'Gem Mix' has single gold, yellow or orange flowers, lemon-scented foliage, dwarf at 8 inches tall.

Tripliod hybrids:

'Nugget Supreme Yellow' has 2 inch, weather tolerant, bright yellow flowers.

Marigolds are easy to grow from seed, either starting them indoors or putting them directly out into the garden. There are four buttons up to the left giving some good options.





In the slide, we discussed Marigold's options. You may read more about Marigold, though. As seen below, we have divided the sections into three parts.

- Common Marigold Seeds
- French Marigold Seeds
- Signet Marigold Seeds

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Not only that, but you can read more about caring for marigolds, planting them, and resolving issues on the Yardener website, which is separated into the parts below.

- Using Marigolds In The Yard
- Planting Marigolds
- Caring for Marigolds
- Solving Marigold Problems

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