

Botanical Name: *Phlomis fruticosa*

Common Name: Jerusalem Sage

Flo-mis fru-ti-koh-sa

SHRUB/PERENNIAL



Spring



Summer



Fall



Winter

Family: Lamiaceae

Origin: Mediterranean

Climate Zone: USDA 6-10, Sunset 3b-24

Mature Height: 4 feet

Mature Width: 4 feet

Plant Type: Evergreen

Growth Habit: Upright, multi-branching, spreading

Growth Rate: Fast

Flower Color/Details: Yellow-gold woolly, two-lipped, hooded tubular flowers cluster in whorls around stems, when fade, leave behind decorative balls

Flower Season: Periodically April through October

Bark: N/A

Fruit: N/A

Foliage: Gray-blue-green, woolly, 3 inch-long lance-shaped leaves paired on gray, fuzzy stems

Use: Filler or foundational shrub, mass plantings, borders, meadows, rock garden, moon garden, Mediterranean garden

Floral: Fresh-cut and dried arrangements

Wildlife/Beneficials: Butterflies, bees, birds

Deer Resistant: Yes

Fire Resistant: Yes

Medicinal Uses/Edible: Unknown

Adverse Factors: Unknown

Soil: Adaptable, with good drainage

Exposure: Full sun, light shade

Water Requirements: Low, drought tolerant

WUCOLS Water Needs: L L L L M M

UC Davis Arboretum All-Star: No

Description: Plant stems stand tall without a well-defined base, bearing clusters of bright yellow flowers. Provides bold color and form year-round with little care.

Maintenance: For repeat bloom when flowers fade, cut stems back to half their height and deep water. Although very drought tolerant, more water equals more bloom. To retain compact form, cut back to half height in late fall or wait until late winter, which allows birds to feed on the seed heads. Frost tolerant to at least 18 degrees. Resists oak root fungus.



#1 Nursery Container