

# African Bulbine



**Sun/Shade:** Prefers full sun

**Flowers:** Yellow or Orange in spring and a repeat bloomer throughout the year. Will bloom during mild winters also.

**Landscape Use:** Is quickly becoming popular as people discover this excellent landscape plant. Looks best in groups or mass planted. Use as a carefree groundcover or foreground plant. Is often evergreen though its ends get burned by hard freezing weather. May be easier to maintain than a large bed of annuals and has enough foliage interest to keep it desirable when not fully in bloom.

**Container Use:** Looks good in pots. Be careful to let dry, without causing wilt, before re-watering.

**Size:** Up to one foot tall and eventually as wide sending up new shoots from the base.

**Type:** Flowering perennial; almost evergreen.

**Deer Resistance:** Not Deer-resistant. If Deer are a problem consider planting

Society Garlic which gives a similar look but is also very Deer-resistant and problem free.

**Butterflies:** Butterflies love it.

**Drought Tolerance:** Very drought tolerant but looks best with occasional watering.

**Soil:** Not particular about soil as long as it drains well and does not remain constantly wet. Does well in rocky soil or even better with soil enhancement.

**Water:** Smart Watering Principle=Water well when first planted then allow to dry slightly, without wilting, then water deeply again, etc. Do not keep constantly wet.

**Fertilizer:** Looks even better with regular fertilization.

**Maintenance Tips:** Cut off old flower stems occasionally to stimulate new flowers and cut out any portion of the succulent type leaves that show discoloration or damage. Cut off all blackened freeze damage.

**Rating:** Rates high as a landscape plant.