



## **Paeonia, Yumi (Itoh) Peony**

*Paeonia 'Beauty'*

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Spacing: 26 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Itoh Peony

Group/Class: Itoh Hybrids

### **Description:**

Large double blooms up to eight inches across held on strong stems above luxurious foliage; masses of radiant yellow petals form a perfect flower; prefers sun

### **Ornamental Features**

Paeonia, Yumi (Itoh) Peony features bold lightly-scented double yellow flowers at the ends of the stems in mid spring. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its compound leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Paeonia, Yumi (Itoh) Peony is an herbaceous perennial with a more or less rounded form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Paeonia, Yumi (Itoh) Peony is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



*Paeonia, Yumi (Itoh) Peony flowers*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Paeonia, Yumi (Itoh) Peony will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 26 inches apart. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. To help this plant achieve its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.