

## *Dahlia Mystic Illusion* ('Knockout')

### Key Features

- ✓ Bright outward facing single blooms.
- ✓ Fashionable filigreed mahogany to black foliage.
- ✓ A riot of color.

### Characteristics

<b>Genus &amp; Species:</b>	<i>Dahlia hybrida</i>
<b>Protection Status:</b>	PP18,839; COPF open.
<b>USDA Zone:</b>	USDA Zone 9-11. (20°F or -6°C). Half hardy.
<b>Bloom:</b>	Vivid zesty yellow sunflower like blooms with elegant dark centres.
<b>Bloom Period:</b>	Early spring – fall.
<b>Foliage:</b>	Fashionable mahogany to black foliage.
<b>Habit:</b>	Compact rounded habit 31" x 24".
<b>Propagation:</b>	Softwood Cuttings / Tissue Culture. <i>License required for propagation.</i>
<b>Culture:</b>	Full sun, in rich moist well-drained soil.
<b>Additional Comments:</b>	Dead head spent flower to prolong blooming. Attracts bees and butterflies.
<b>Uses:</b>	Containers, Borders, Mass Landscape Planting.

### Approximate Finishing Time

<b>4.5" Quarts:</b>	<b>6-8 weeks</b> from a 72 plug (Spring Planting).
<b>6" Gallons:</b>	<b>10-12 weeks</b> from a 72 plug (Spring Planting).

**Closest Variety:** *D.* 'Clarion'

**Key Differences:**

- ✓ **Mystic Illusion** dark central disc **vs.** yellow central disc.
- ✓ **Mystic Illusion** pointed petals **vs.** rounded petals.
- ✓ **Mystic Illusion** dark foliage **vs.** mid-dark foliage.

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