

## GAILLARDIA ‘Oranges and Lemons’

Origin: Selected by U.K. Nurserywoman Rosemary Hardy.

Species: *Gaillardia grandiflora*

Protection Status: US Plant Patent # 17,092

### Characteristics:

First produced and tested in the UK, the breeder has found this selection to be more floriferous, blooming longer into the season and holding individual flowers far longer than others on the market. ‘**Oranges and Lemons**’ made a splash at Chelsea in the summer of 2004 and it is turning heads in the US as well. By summer 2006 cuttings will be available from Florexpoc, Costa Rica. Grown under similar conditions to other Gaillardia, this form will make a great addition to mixed containers and extend impulse buys well into fall. This season extender should perform wonderfully in the middle of the perennial garden throughout the US. Its long flowering period makes this perennial effectively compete with any summer annual. The “orange and yellow” color combination is softer than other Gaillardias, making it even easier to work into the landscaping or container gardens.

Hardiness: USDA Zone 5 –being tested for colder.

Bloom: Blooming occurs from early summer into fall.

Foliage: Medium-green foliage.

Habit: Low-growing upright habit. 46-62 cm. in height and 31-46 cm. in width at maturity.

Propagation: Vegetative cuttings. *License required for propagation.*

Culture: Grow in full sun with moderate water and good drainage.

