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## Wildcat Orange Anagallis

*Anagallis 'Wildcat Orange'*

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Pimpernel

Group/Class: Wildcat Series

### Description:

This outstanding early blooming, compact, and large flowered variety produces volumes of bright orange flowers all season long; an excellent spiller for containers and baskets

### Ornamental Features

Wildcat Orange Anagallis is bathed in stunning orange round flowers with purple eyes and yellow anthers along the stems from early spring to mid fall. Its pointy leaves remain grayish green in color throughout the season. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

### Landscape Attributes

Wildcat Orange Anagallis is an herbaceous annual with a mounded 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. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Wildcat Orange Anagallis is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets



*Wildcat Orange Anagallis flowers*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Wildcat Orange Anagallis will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Wildcat Orange Anagallis is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.