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## Oakleaf Yellow Picotee Primrose Primula vulgaris 'Oakleaf Yellow Picotee'

Plant Height: 12 inches Flower Height: 16 inches

Spread: 14 inches Spacing: 8 inches Sunlight: **①** Hardiness Zone: 4a

**Description:** 

A beautiful variety putting on a colorful display from early to late spring; bright yellow flowers with ruby red tips rise above deep green, oakleaf styled foliage; vigorous yet compact, a great choice for early season containers and garden landscapes



Oakleaf Yellow Picotee Primrose flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Ornamental Features**

Oakleaf Yellow Picotee Primrose features delicate clusters of yellow star-shaped flowers with gold eyes and ruby-red tips rising above the foliage from early to late spring. Its lobed leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the year.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Oakleaf Yellow Picotee Primrose is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

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 butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Oakleaf Yellow Picotee Primrose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



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## **Planting & Growing**

Oakleaf Yellow Picotee Primrose will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 16 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 14 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 8 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Oakleaf Yellow Picotee Primrose is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. 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. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.