Corn marigold

Latin name

Glebionis segetum Syn. Chrysanthemum segetum

These bright-yellow daisies pump out their sunny blooms throughout summer and early autumn, producing a steady supply of nectar for pollinators.



LEAVES

What **SHAPE** are the leaves?

Leaves have an **OBLONG** shape that is divided.
The higher leaves on the stem are less divided and almost **ENTIRE**.

How are the leaves **ARRANGED** on the stem?

Leaves are arranged in a **SPIRAL** around the stem.

What are the leaf **EDGES** like?

Leaves are deeply **LOBED**, meaning that the edges are divided into separate protrusions rather than complete and smooth.

The **STEMS** and **LEAVES** are **FLESHY** and covered with a **WAXY** layer that gives them a greenish blue colour.



Scent

The plant has an attractive scent, which is stronger in young shoots.









Flowers from June through to October.

What **COLOUR** are the flowers?

Flowers are bright, golden **YELLOW**.

How are the flowers **ARRANGED** on the **STEM**?

Flowers are **TERMINAL** which means there are single flowers held at the end of each stem.

What **SHAPE** are the flowers?

The flowerheads are like all of those in the daisy family, with what appear to be multiple petals arranged around a flat central disc. These petals are in fact individual flowers, known as RAY FLOWERS. The central disc is made of smaller circular shaped individual flowers called DISC FLOWERS.

Size

How tall is this wildflower? Grows up to 80cm tall.

What size are the leaves?
Leaves are 5cm to 20cm long.

What size are the flowers?

Flowerheads are 3.5cm to 6.5cm across.



Habitat

Where could you find this wildflower growing?

Grows most commonly in FARMLAND, can also be found on ROADSIDES, GRASSLAND, and in RUBBISH TIPS.

Where does it grow in the UK?

Can be found across much of the UK but has been in steady decline since the 1930s making it a vulnerable and near-threatened species.

Anything else?

Is there anything else that you have noticed about this wildflower?