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Chrysanthemum segetum

[Synonyms : *Chrysanthemum coronarium* var. *spationsum*, *Chrysanthemum welwitschii*, *Glebionis segetum*, *Matricaria segetum*, *Pyrethrum segetum*]

CORN MARIGOLD is an annual or perennial. Native to western Asia and to Europe, it has daisy-like flat-centred, yellow flowers.

It is also known as Big gold, Boodle, Buddle, *Chrysanthème-des-blès* (French), Corn chrysanthemum, Cornflower, Dunwich buddle, Goldings, Golds, *Gold yr Ýd* (Welsh), *Gullkrage* (Swedish), *Ingrassabue* (Italian), Johnny buddle, *Keltapäivänkakkara* (Finnish), *Koringkrisant* (Afrikaans), *Lellux* (Maltese), Mary buds, *Mèneleu* (Channel Islander-Jersey Norman-French), *Murlu* (Channel Islander-Guernsey), *Pampilho das searas* (Portuguese), *Saat-Wucherblume* (German), *Tung-hao* (Chinese), and Yellow ox-eye.

Segetum means ‘of or from cornfields’.

In the East the young shoots are eaten as a vegetable, particularly in China.

The leaves yield a yellow dye.

Corn marigold was a familiar sight in 16th Century English gardens.