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Layia platyglossa

[Synonyms : *Blepharipappus platyglossus*, *Callichroa platyglossa*, *Layia elegans*, *Layia platyglossa* subsp. *campestris*, *Layia platyglossa* var. *brevisetata*, *Layia ziegleri*]

TIDY TIPS is an annual. Native to south-western North America it has small daisy-like white-tipped, yellow flowers.

It is also known as Coastal tidy tips, *Guldgrävarblomma* (Swedish), *Layia širokojazyčná* (Czech), and Showy tidy tips.

Platyglossa is derived from Greek *platy-* (wide) and *glosso-* (tongue) components meaning 'broad-tongued'.

The seeds provided a staple food for the North American Mendocino Indian tribe and the Costanoans – and they were also eaten by the Cahuilla Indians who made them into a porridge-like mush.

Today tidy tips is a much cultivated ornamental plant.