

Advice from Kathy Lomas

Botanical name: Coreopsis

Common name: Tickseed; Calliopsis

Deadhead spent blooms to encourage new flowers. Coreopsis flowers start to bloom in late June/July but with deadheading, they will continue to flower into August.

Recipe for Chocolate Mint Iced Tea

Bring a 2 qt. pot of water to boiling. Add 3 raspberry tea bags and 2 good-sized sprigs of chocolate mint. Let cool. Pour into a pitcher and add cold water to make about 9 cups.

Serve in a glass with ice.

Compost rules:

Green—Most food like vegetable scraps; no meat, no dairy, no fish, no oil/butter

Brown—Grass clippings and leaves

White—Shredded paper, paper pulp (egg carton)

Begonia bags

Use [Al's Flower Pouch](#) found on Amazon.