

## Golden Currant

*Ribes aureum*

Height: 3'-9'  
Width: 2'-4'  
(At Maturity)  
Growth Rate: Medium  
USDA Zone: 2-7  
Bloom: yellow  
Time: April/June  
Sun: Full/partial  
Water: Low



The yellow tubular flowers of this shrub are fragrant, occur in clusters of 5 to 10, and are an early sign of spring. The fruit can be amber yellow to black in color and is edible. If you wish to grow this plant to harvest fruit, cross pollination will be a benefit. This shrub is found growing wild on hillsides and along river valleys through out Colorado. It adds a nice touch of red to our fall foliage displays.

This native species is a very adaptable plant, it can tolerate standing water and drought. The flowers are attractive to hummingbirds, butterflies and bees. The fruit is an important food source to many birds in the fall.