

# *Leptosyne gigantea* (*Coreopsis gigantea*)

## Giant Coreopsis, Giant Sea Dahlia

HERBACEOUS PERENNIAL -  
drought deciduous.

3 - 4' high, 2' spread.

Stout fleshy trunk.

Ferny foliage emerges after  
rains.

Clusters of yellow daisies,  
3" in diameter - spring.

Native habitat: coastal sage  
scrub; strands, bluffs up  
to 150' - south central  
coast (Santa Barbara area),  
Channel Islands.

Full sun to part shade.

Not frost tolerant.

Tolerates heavy soils, but better  
in well-drained areas.

Does not tolerate summer  
irrigation (will rot).

Naturalizes.

Grows rapidly.



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