

Goldmoss stonecrop

Sedum acre

Description

Introduced to North America as ground cover. Also found in hanging baskets and container gardens.

Habit

Perennial, mat forming, 2-4 in tall forb, succulent, evergreen, stems creeping.

Leaves

Alternate, less than 1/4 in long; broadly oval with a tapering tip; crowded and overlapping; often with dead leaves below.

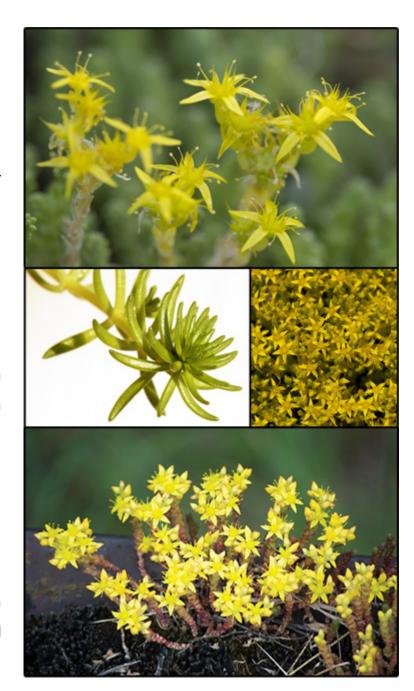
Stems

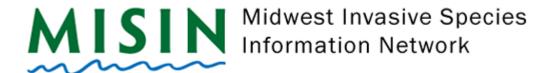
Trailing (nonflowering shoots ascending at tip); laxly branched; not bearing rosettes.

Flowers

Hermaphrodite, yellow in color, 5-parted, 1/2 in wide, inflorescence of 2 or more, short, branched clusters (cymes); blooms June through July.

Fruits and Seeds





5 Follicles, spreading, each with a small gland at the base, and tipped by the tapered style.

Habitat

Native to Europe. Found in disturbed areas; rocky, sandy soil.

Reproduction

By seed and vegetatively by rhizomes.

Similar

Whorled stonecrop or Stringy stonecrop (Sedum sarmentosum).

Monitoring and Rapid Response

Hand-pulling, making sure to remove all fragments.

Credits

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