BARTLETT'S FARM NANTUCKET

Bishop's Flower

Ammi majus



Bishop's Flower in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: False Queen Anne's Lace, Bullwort, Bishop's Weed

Description:

A tall, branching variety with finely divided, feathery foliage; bears an abundance of large, white lacecap blooms in summer, adding beauty and depth to the garden; excellent for containers, and a great cut flower

Ornamental Features

Bishop's Flower features showy white lacecap flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its ferny leaves remain bluish-green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Bishop's Flower is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Bishop's Flower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Bishop's Flower will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

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This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America.

Bishop's Flower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

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