GardenGhost™ Artemisia

Artemisia 'GardenGhost'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Wormwood, Sage, Mugwort



GardenGhost Artemisia
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



GardenGhost Artemisia foliage
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Description:

Attractive, fine textured, bright silver foliage on a well branched, mounded plant provides contrast in the garden; recurved leaves give this selection a unique look; great for massing along border fronts, and for use in mixed containers

Ornamental Features

GardenGhost Artemisia's attractive tomentose narrow leaves emerge grayish green in spring, turning silver in color with hints of gray throughout the season on a plant with a mounded habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

GardenGhost Artemisia is a dense herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a high maintenance plant that will require regular care and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading
- Invasive

GardenGhost Artemisia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting



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Planting & Growing

GardenGhost Artemisia will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for clay, alkaline soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

GardenGhost Artemisia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a canvas of foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.