



EUPATORIUM fistulosum f. albidum 'Ivory Towers'


(EUTROCHIUM)

Joe Pye, Queen of the Meadow

Item No.: EG202

Also available as: Normal Seed

Plant Description

Article Type	GOLD NUGGET SEED ®
Life Cycle	Perennial
Family	Asteraceae
Origin	Eastern North America
Special Features	A profusion of late summer blooms terminating in clusters of ivory white flower umbels, grey-green stems. A plant of great architectural merit. 'Ivory Towers' will flower the first year, at one-half the eventual mature size, if sown early in the season.
Historical	Introduced by JELITTO PERENNIAL SEEDS in 2010.
Basic Colour	(white / cream)
Flower Colour	ivory-coloured, almost pure white
Natural Flowering Period	July - September
Flowering	First year flowering
Winter Hardiness Zones	Z4 - Z8
Foliage	whorled, elliptic-lanceolate, fresh green
Growth Habit	erect
Height with Flowers	200 cm
Spacing between Plants	100 cm
Soil Requirements	moist / average
Location	
Characteristics	solitary plant
Usage	suitable for cutting

Cultivation



Grams per 1000 seeds	0.34662 Gram
Seeds per Gram	2885 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)
Sowing Rates/Trays	2 - 3 per cell
Plug tray recommended size(s)	128 / 288
Sowing Direction	(15) Rapidly germinating, keep seed in constant moisture (not wet) with temperatures of about +20°C [68°F]. Seeds must be covered thinly. Do not cover very small seeds, but tightly press into the earth. Keep in cooler conditions after germination occurs.

Scheduling

Best Sowing Date	Anytime (northern Hemisphere, Field condition)
Sowing to Germination	3 - 4 weeks
Germination to Transplant	4 - 8 weeks
Transplanting to Potting	6 - 8 weeks
Cutting back at Transplanting	Cut-back once to keep more compact.

Growing On

Container Size(s)	1-2 plugs per 11/12 cm (4 1/2")
Vernalization	There is no current research on vernalization but a prudent recommendation for any perennial would be 6-12 weeks (a few might need 15 weeks!) at an average daily temperature of 40°F (5°C). Exposure to cold may not be necessary for flowering but might improve quality.
Forcing	This species is not a suitable candidate for forcing.
Fertilizer	Medium (150-200 ppm)