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Perfecta White Pincushion Flower *Scabiosa caucasica 'Perfecta Alba'*

Plant Height: 10 inches
Flower Height: 18 inches
Spread: 18 inches
Spacing: 15 inches
Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Scabious



Perfecta White Pincushion Flower flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Perfecta White Pincushion Flower features unusual white pincushion flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its deeply cut ferny leaves remain grayish green in colour throughout the season. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes

Perfecta White Pincushion Flower is an herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. 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 be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Perfecta White Pincushion Flower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Perfecta White Pincushion Flower will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 15 inches apart. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

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This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to dry locations, and dislikes excessive moisture. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Perfecta White Pincushion Flower 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 mass of flowers against which the larger 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. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our store for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.