

## Aletris farinosa - Plant



Aletris farinosa is a perennial herb spreading by means of underground rhizomes and forming rosettes of leaves.

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Description

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Aletris farinosa is a PERENNIAL growing to 0.6 m (2ft) by 0.2 m (0ft 8in). It is hardy to zone (UK) 7. It is in flower from May to August. The flowers are hermaphrodite (have both male and female organs) Suitable for: light (sandy) and medium (loamy) soils and prefers well-drained soil. Suitable pH: acid soils and can grow in very acid soils. It cannot grow in the shade. It prefers moist soil.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
unicorn root, crow-corn, white colic-root or white stargrass	White	May-Aug	0.6 m (2ft) by 0.2 m (0ft 8in)	easy to grow

## Planting and care

Grassy or sandy woodlands, in dry or moist peats, sands and gravels, especially on the seashore.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full Sun to Partial Shade	well-drained soil	Medium	-10 and -15Å°c[200].	Apply any organic fertilizer

## Caring for Aletris farinosa

- Divide clump-forming perennials and most ornamental grasses in the late fall or late winter into individual plants, each with a piece of stem, crown (body), and roots.
- Sow seed of perennials such as coneflowers, coreopsis, etc in the late summer or late spring, keeping them moist and giving them enough time to sprout and grow roots before extreme cold or hot weather.

## Typical uses of Aletris farinosa

**Special features:** The tough, fibrous bark of the stalks of Black Indian Hemp was employed by the Indians as a substitute for hemp in making twine, fishing nets, etc.

**Culinary use:** Leaves are used to make tea.

**Medicinal use:** Used for gynaecological disorders or 'female complaints'; used in the treatment of diarrhoea, rheumatism and jaundice.

A tea of the leaves has been used in the treatment of colic, stomach disorders, dysentery and bloody dysentery.

## References

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