

## Artemisia abrotanum - Plant



### Insect Repellent

Although once planted as both a culinary herb and a medicinal herb, it is primarily grown in gardens today for its attractive ornamental foliage augmented by its pleasant citrus to camphor-like foliage fragrance.

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### Description

## Description for Artemisia abrotanum

Artemisia abrotanum, commonly called southernwood, is a perennial sub-shrub that typically grows on woody, upright-branching stems to form a 3-4' tall bushy mound of ferny, strongly aromatic, medium to light green leaves, each of which is 1-3 times pinnately dissected into threadlike segments.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
southernwood, Lads Love, Old man, Applingie, Boys Love, Maids Ruin, Old Mans Tree, Maidens Ruin, wormwood	Yellowish-white	August to October	Height: 3.00 to 4.00 feet Spread: 2.00 to 3.00 feet	Easy

## Planting and care

Best grown in organically rich, dry to medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun. Prefers a neutral soil. Avoid wet soils.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full Sun or Partial Shade	Well draining soil, and adequate moisture although they are tolerant of drought. pH: 6 to 7.5	Dry to medium	-	Established plants can benefit from fertilization. Take a visual inventory of your landscape. Trees need to be fertilized every few years. Shrubs and other plants in the landscape can be fertilized yearly.

## Caring for Artemisia abrotanum

Cut plants to the ground in early spring. Dividing the clumps every 3-4 years will help keep plants robust. Plants will thrive in dry heat, but generally dislike the hot and humid conditions of the deep South.

## Typical uses of Artemisia abrotanum

**Special features:** Southernwood is an aromatic herb that is grown in herb gardens. It also may be effectively grown in borders or along walks or paths. Low hedge. Herb containers.

**Culinary use:** The young shoots were used to add flavour to pastries and puddings, while branches were used to dye wool a deep yellow hue.

**Medicinal use:** antiseptic, astringent, stimulant and tonic, and have also been used to fight coughs, tumors and cancers.

## References

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