

Horehound - Plant



Leucas marrubioides

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Description Marrubium vulgare is a flowering plant in the family Lamiaceae, native to Europe, northern Africa, and southwestern and central Asia. It is also widely naturalized in many places, including most of North and South America.

Common name: Leucas marrubioides

Color: white

Bloom time: July to September

Height: 2.00 to 3.00 feet

Difficulty level: easy to grow

Planting & Care

Buy a plant or start horehound from seed. Well-drained soil is the secret to growing this herb, as too much moisture in the winter can kill it. Sow seeds outdoors in spring or fall, 1/2 inch deep.

Sunlight: Full sun

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: Medium

Temperature: 65F

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Care:

- Horehound tends to thrive in dry, poor soil, so this makes a great herb to dress areas up that may have inadequate conditions.
- If after a year your Horehound doesn't flower, don't be alarmed.
- It usually takes this hardy little perennial two years to get full established and start producing tiny purple blooms.
- A member of the Mint family, it has distinct, wrinkled leaves and a tough fibrous root system.
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Special Feature:

Interesting plant for the herb garden, border, naturalized area or meadow. Also may be grown in open areas near ponds and streams.
Use

Medicinal use:

- Unverified information The leaves and young shoots are harvested for medicinal preparations.
- Syrup made of the green fresh leaves and sugar is a most singular remedy against the cough and wheezing of the lungs.
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Ornamental use:

- As an ornamental herb, its attractive, fuzzy gray foliage can also be used as a bouquet filler.

Note:

No serious insect or disease problems.

Reference:

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