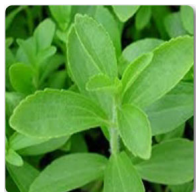


Stevia Rebaudiana - 0.5 Kg Seeds



The species *Stevia rebaudiana*, commonly known as sweetleaf, sweet leaf, sugarleaf, or simply stevia, is widely grown for its sweet leaves.

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Description *Stevia rebaudiana* is a plant species in the genus *Stevia* of the sunflower family, commonly known as candyleaf, sweetleaf, sweet leaf, or sugarleaf.

Common name: honey leaf plant, sweet chrysanthemum, sweetleaf stevia, sugarleaf

Color: White

Bloom time: June to July

Height: 3.00 to 4.00 feet

Difficulty level: easy to grow

Planting & Care

The vining varieties require a support structure as some can get 15 feet tall. All plants prefer sun to light shade sites with well-draining and moderately fertile soil. Install the plant in the ground at the same level it was growing in the nursery pot. Most plants are grafted onto the common rootstock because of its superior hardiness.

Sunlight: Full sun to part shade

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: Medium

Temperature: 32 F to 35 F

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Care:

- Plants do not thrive in Zones 9 to 10 without a period of refrigeration; they need a cold, dormant period.
- Select a site with soil that drains well.
- How can you tell? After a good rain, find a spot that is the first to dry out.
- Water trapped beneath the scales may rot the bulb, so a well-drained site is essential.
- Also, select a site that gets full sun.
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Care:

- Clean away from around the base of the rosebushes any trimmed debris that can harbor disease and insects.
- Late in the season, stop deadheading rugosas so that hips will form on the plants; these can be harvested and dried on screens, away from sunlight, then stored in an airtight container.
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Special Feature:

Effective as a specimen or accent for foundations or other locations near homes or patios. Group or mass in shrub borders or in open woodland areas. Good informal hedge. Exfoliating mature branches provide interesting color and texture in winter.

Use

Medicinal use:

- The plant *Stevia rebaudiana* has been used for more than 1,500 years by the Guaraní peoples of South America, who called it ka a he ê ("sweet herb").
- The leaves have been used traditionally for hundreds of years in both Brazil and P

Note:

for medicinal use

Reference:

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/> <http://www.flowersofindia.net/>