

Tradescantia fluminensis - Plant



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Description

Description for Tradescantia fluminensis

Tradescantia fluminensis is a species of spiderwort native to South America. It is one of several plants known by the common name wandering Jew. It is also known as small-leaf spiderwort,[1] river spiderwort, inch plant, wandering trad, wandering willie, wandering gypsy.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Wandering Jew, Flowering Inch Plant (common). Tradescantia Zebrina, Tradescantia Fluminensis	flowers are white in color	Flowers freely	0.50 to 0.75 feet	easy to grow

Planting and care

There s a number of tradescantia varieties very similar in looks, how they re grown and their growth habit, including the T. zebrina (has dark green leaves with silver bands) the T. fluminensis variegata with cream stripes and quicksilver which has white stripes. Then thereâ€™s the T. pallida from the same genus which is sometimes named wandering jew plant, but looks very different from the T. fluminensis and zebrina.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full sun to part shade	well-drained soil	Medium	65-75Â°F	Apply any organic fertilizer

Caring for Tradescantia fluminensis

- Wandering jew plants are pretty simple to care for and maintain, although providing plenty of bright light is important.
- Tradescatia naturally become spindly and need to be pruned regularly and pinching stems will encourage fuller growth, improving it s appearance.

Typical uses of Tradescantia fluminensis

Special features: Foliage: Fleshy oval or lance shaped leaves are produced from the pendant stems (growing a couple of feet or so long).
Flowering: The small non showy flowers are white in color, appearing during summer usually and at other times (depending on the conditions).

Ornamental use: Garden Uses As a houseplant, grow in hanging baskets or along shelves. Ground cover where it can be grown outdoors.

Medicinal use: The plant is resistant to chemical control as a result of its glossy leaves and smooth stems, along with its ability to regenerate from small surviving pieces.

References

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