



Purple Poppymallow Callirhoe involucrata

Plant Height: 12 inches
Flower Height: 16 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: O D

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Purple Poppy Mallow, Wine Cups

Description:

A low maintenance selection that features low growing foliage with taller stems that produce gorgeous upward facing purple flowers; blooms from mid spring until the fall; looks beautiful in large groupings, in wildflower gardens or edging

Ornamental Features

Purple Poppymallow has masses of beautiful purple buttercup flowers with white eyes at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its deeply cut ferny leaves remain emerald green in color throughout the season.



Purple Poppymallow flowers
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Landscape Attributes

Purple Poppymallow is a dense herbaceous perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Purple Poppymallow is recommended for the following landscape applications;



- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

Planting & Growing

Purple Poppymallow will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 16 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to dry locations, and dislikes excessive moisture. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is native to parts of our region. It can be propagated by division.