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Poem Lilac Wallflower Erysimum 'Poem Lilac'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 14 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 6b

Other Names: Siberian Wallflower

Description:

Beautiful lilac flowers, tantalizing aroma; evergreen in milder climates; a cool season bloomer, best performance in full sun; this is a self-seeding biennial but can be planted annually; may succumb to root-rot if winter soil is wet and not well-drained

Ornamental Features

Poem Lilac Wallflower features showy clusters of fragrant lilac purple flowers rising above the foliage from early spring to early fall. Its sword-like leaves remain grayish green in colour throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Poem Lilac Wallflower is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a high maintenance plant that will require regular care and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. 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;

- Self-Seeding

Poem Lilac Wallflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

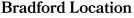
- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Poem Lilac Wallflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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Planting & Growing

Poem Lilac Wallflower will grow to be about 14 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 14 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and tends to be biennial, meaning that it puts on vegetative growth the first year, flowers the second, and then dies. However, this variety tends to self-seed and will thereby endure for years in the garden if allowed, although because it is a hybrid, the seedlings may not come true to type. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for alkaline soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Poem Lilac Wallflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.