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Crazy Little Thing Yarrow Achillea 'Crazy Little Thing'

Plant Height: 12 inches Flower Height: 18 inches Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Description:

An upright variety presenting large, flat topped clusters of bright pink flowers in summer, over tidy clumps of fine, feathery green foliage; removing spent flowers encourages re-blooming; perfect for small garden spaces and containers

Ornamental Features

Crazy Little Thing Yarrow is smothered in stunning pink flat-top flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive ferny leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Crazy Little Thing Yarrow is an herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

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, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading
- Self-Seeding

Crazy Little Thing Yarrow is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Crazy Little Thing Yarrow flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Crazy Little Thing Yarrow will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. 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 should only be grown in full sunlight. 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. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Crazy Little Thing Yarrow 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 and foliage against which the 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.