Artemesia, Powis Castle

Artemisia 'Powis Castle'



Artemesia, Powis Castle
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Height: 3 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Other Names: Wormwood, Sage, Mugwort

Description:

Beautiful lacy silver foliage is valued for its texture and wonderful scent; this native plant attracts wildlife and is resistant to deer; does best in poor, dry soils, an ideal groundcover for adverse conditions where little else will grow

Ornamental Features

Artemesia, Powis Castle's attractive small fragrant ferny leaves remain grayish green in color throughout the season on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth.



Artemesia, Powis Castle foliage
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Landscape Attributes

Artemesia, Powis Castle is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually 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

Artemesia, Powis Castle is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens



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Planting & Growing

Artemesia, Powis Castle will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. 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 should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average conditions that are neither too wet nor too dry, and is very intolerant of standing water. To help this plant achive its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for alkaline soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.

Special Attributes

Sedums or succulents will need to be watered during the growing season, in the Lower Columbia Basin there isn't enough rainfall during the growing season. The amount of water and regularity depends on the your soil, the wind and the heat variables at different times.