

# The Best of Every Season



# Cascade Creeper Foamflower\* Tiarella 'Cascade Creeper'

Plant Height: 5 inches

Flower Height: 10 inches

Hardiness Zone: 4

#### **Description:**

Vigorous and beautiful, the medium large leaves are deeply lobed and marked dark brown filling up the center of the leaf; dainty white flowers appear in spring and sporadically all summer; great shaded groundcover under trees and along borders

### **Ornamental Features**

Cascade Creeper Foamflower has masses of beautiful spikes of lightly-scented white bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from mid spring to mid summer, which emerge from distinctive pink flower buds, and which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive large lobed leaves emerge chartreuse in spring, turning dark green in color with distinctive indigo veins the rest of the year. The dark red stems are very colorful and add to the overall interest of the plant.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Cascade Creeper Foamflower is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, 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. It has no significant negative characteristics.



Cascade Creeper Foamflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Cascade Creeper Foamflower in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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Cascade Creeper Foamflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

## **Planting & Growing**

Cascade Creeper Foamflower will grow to be only 5 inches tall at maturity extending to 10 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider covering it with a thick layer of mulch in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. 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.

Cascade Creeper Foamflower 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 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.

<sup>\*</sup> This is a 'special order' plant - contact store for details