

Sweet Joe Pye Weed *Eutrochium purpureum*

Plant Type: Native Perennial Wildflower

Sun Exposure: Full Sun, Part Sun

Season of Interest: Summer, Fall

Bloom Time: Summer, Fall

Bloom Color: Pink to Purple

Height: 50 to 80 in.

Spread: 26 in.

Spacing: 28 in.

Water Needs: High

Maintenance: Very Little

Soil Type: Clay, Loam, Sandy

Soil pH: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Soil Drainage: Moist, Well Drained

Pests: Deer and Rabbit resistant

Diseases: None

Wildlife: Bees, Butterflies, Birds



Description: Sweet Joe Pye weed is a herbaceous perennial. It is named after Joe Pye, a Native American from New England who used the plant in the early 1800s for medicinal needs. As the plant begins to bloom the stems often

bend downward under the weight of the flowers. The leaves grow up to 12 inches long and have a wrinkled texture. For more information see: plants.ces.ncsu.edu/plants/eutrochium-purpureum .

Care and Growing Tips: Joe Pye weed can grow in a variety of conditions, from full sun to partial shade. It prefers moist, well-drained soil and can tolerate a wide range of soil types, including acidic, neutral, and alkaline. Sweet Joe Pye weed is a favorite of butterflies and other pollinators due to its sweet vanilla scent. It's also a popular choice for native gardens because it adds height and texture to the landscape. It's generally low maintenance and does not require special winter protection. The stalks can be cut back to just above ground level when frost kills the plants or after the flowers have faded.