

Meadow Sage

Salvia nemorosa 'May Night'

'May Night' blooms prolifically with deep purple-blue flowers. It is an outstanding perennial with excellent cold hardiness, vigor, and tolerance of heavy clay soils. Salvias are great plants for bringing butterflies and hummingbirds to your garden and, as a bonus, they have no serious pests. Salvias are at home in mass plantings, borders, and even containers. They are especially well suited to cottage gardens. The colorful, slender, tubular blooms of these plants make great cut flowers and will last for several days in a vase indoors. 'May Night' blooms in late spring with a profusion of flower spikes and re-blooms later in the summer when deadheaded.

Type: herbaceous perennial

USDA hardiness zones: 4 through 9

Uses: cut flowers; border; edging; mass planting; attracts butterflies; attracts hummingbirds; hanging basket

Origin: not native to North America

Height: 15 to 18 inches **Spread:** 18 inches

Plant spacing: 18 to 24 inches

Light requirement: full sun

Soil tolerances: acidic; alkaline; sand; loam; clay

Drought tolerance: moderate

Soil salt tolerances: unknown

Invasive potential: not known to be invasive

Pest resistance: no serious pests are normally seen on the plant

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