

Yarrow

Achillea millefolium

Yarrow is a versatile and resilient landscape plant. It is a tough plant that is easily propagated, has attractive blooms and foliage, and attracts butterflies and pollinators. The classic yarrow has white flowers but breeders have developed many cultivars in an array of colors. The finely divided leaves give the plant a soft fern-like texture making it attractive even when the erect flowering branches are not in season. Plants can spread aggressively by rhizomes and they self-seed regularly. **Yarrow can be poisonous for cats, dogs and horses. Skin contact can cause a rash.**

Type: herbaceous perennial; groundcover

USDA hardiness zones: 3 through 9

Uses: border; edging; ground cover; mass planting

Origin: native to Florida

Height: 1 to 3 feet **Spread:** 1 to 3 feet

Plant spacing: 18 to 24 inches

Light requirement: full sun

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

Drought tolerance: moderate

Soil salt tolerances: unknown

Invasive potential: not known to be invasive

Pest resistance: long-term health usually not affected by pests

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