

How to Care for a Saucy Seduction Yarrow Plant

Achillea millefolium 'Saucy Seduction'

SELECT SITE:

Light Requirements: Full Sun (more than 6 hrs/day)

This plant will grow larger; Space 18 in. away from other plants or structures

Grows well in average garden soils; prefers drier, lean, sandy loam; will grow in poor soils if drainage is good; tolerates hot, humid summers and drought too; tends to flop if grown in moist, nutrient rich soils.

Versatile Plant for: Cottage gardens, meadows & prairies, naturalized or wild areas. Good for both fresh cut or dried flowers.

Ideal USDA Plant Hardiness Zones: 4,5,6,7,8

PLANT PREP:

Open box upon arrival, remove packing materials to let the plant "breathe". Remove plastic bag, tape, and newspaper. Water well. There are drainage holes in the bottom of the pot so do this outside where the extra water will drain away.

HOLE PREP:

Dig saucer shaped hole. The depth is determined by measuring the height of the roots from root flare to bottom. The width is 2-3 times the root ball diameter. Using these calculations, the ideal hole for the new bush will be approximately 6" tall by 12" wide.

PLANTING:

Put garden soil in a wheelbarrow or on a tarp. Mix the garden soil with equal amounts of mulch, peat moss, and potting soil. Place plant in hole and adjust for aesthetics. Hold in place while adding more soil, until the hole is completely filled. Push soil down until firm. Do not plant the shrub deeper than it has already been growing. Water well immediately after planting. Mulch evenly to a depth of 1-2 inches being sure to stay at least 4 in. away from its trunk.

FUTURE MAINTENANCE:

If desired, fertilize in spring when new growth begins. Apply 2 tbsp. of an all-purpose slow release fertilizer upon the ground in a band around the plant at least 6" away from its stem.

Shelter from strong winds.

Trim plant in late spring before flowering begins to tidy the plant and reduce overall plant height. Cutting plants back to central flower buds after initial flowering will tidy the planting and encourage additional bloom. After flowering ceases, cut back to basal foliage.