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Variegated Confederate Star-Jasmine

Trachelospermum jasminoides 'Variegatum'

Height: 20 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

This evergreen spreading groundcover or climbing vine has dark green and white variegated leaves that are often tinged with pink; white fragrant, and showy flowers in spring; excellent for walls or trellises

Ornamental Features

Variegated Confederate Star-Jasmine features tiny fragrant white tubular flowers along the branches from late spring to early summer. Its glossy pointy leaves emerge chartreuse in spring, turning dark green in color with showy white variegation and tinges of grayish green the rest of the year.

Landscape Attributes

Variegated Confederate Star-Jasmine is a multi-stemmed annual with a ground-hugging habit of growth. 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Variegated Confederate Star-Jasmine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting



*Variegated Confederate
Star-Jasmine foliage*
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*Variegated Confederate
Star-Jasmine flowers*
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Planting & Growing

Variegated Confederate Star-Jasmine will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. As a climbing vine, it should either be planted near a fence, trellis or other landscape structure where it can be trained to grow upwards on it, or allowed to trail off a retaining wall or slope. Although it's not a true annual, this slow-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Variegated Confederate Star-Jasmine is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

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