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Growing Tellima Grandiflora

Fringe cups, False alum root

These are useful clump forming perennials which provide good groundcover in a herbaceous border or can be allowed to naturalise in damper parts of the woodland garden.

T. grandiflora has rosettes of hairy heart or kidney shaped scalloped leaves with five to seven lobes. From late spring on into early summer these North American plants produce erect hairy stems with terminal racemes of white or greenish-white flowers in profusion. The flower spikes can be 24-30in in height from small clumps which can produce several spikes.

This is a totally hardy plant which will tolerate dry soil and full sun but does best in richer soils in dappled or partial shade. It will self-seed itself freely onto any bare soil nearby and is easily propagated by division in the spring.



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