

Mukdenia - Growing Guide

Mukdenia Rossii 'Karasuba'

GROWING MUKDENIA rossii 'Karasuba' (syn. 'Crimson Fans')

This is a genus of Chinese and Korean woodland plants which are fully hardy perennials growing from thick rhizomes. *M. rossii* has bronze tinted leaves which are palmate with five or up to nine lobes. The plant produces dense short branched panicles of creamy white flowers above the leaves in spring. The plant grows to around a foot in height and has a similar spread.

Not a well known plant perhaps but certainly a rare and unusual one.

M. rossii likes to be grown in dappled or partial shade in a cool damp location. It is not a bog plant as such but is very happy naturalising in a woodland habitat where it will look good with other spring bulbs.

Slugs and snails do like the emerging leaves. Propagation is easiest from gently lifting and dividing the rhizomes in early spring.



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