

Sanguisorba menziesii - Growing Guide

Growing Sanguisorba Menziesii

Burnet

These plants are totally hardy rhizomatous perennials which are suitable both for the herbaceous border and for naturalising in a wild garden or by water. In the wild they grow in damp meadows and, in our gardens, they will grow well in sun or in dappled shade providing the soil is damp and does not dry out.

S. menziesii has pinnate glaucous leaves with neat veining. The flower stalks appear in mid to late summer and are up to 2-3ft tall. They produce terminal spikes of oval shaped flowers which are crimson-maroon and very suitable for cutting and flower arranging. We find that in pots these flower heads do need some support and the same is true of more exposed parts of the garden especially where the clumps become a little large or invasive as they will in time.

Larger clumps can be lifted and divided to prize out individual shots and rhizomes for planting elsewhere.



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