

Botanical Name: Matthiola incana

Common Name: Stock

Type of Plant: fall bedding plant Character annual/biennial

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape upright, gray-green plant with erect flower clusters--tend
to look somewhat rangy and open

Height 1-2' Spread to 1' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun

Soil needs well-drained fertile soil

Hardiness hardy -- likes cool weather

Morphology:

Leaves oblong to lanceolate tto 4" long felted, with a white
pubescence--overall color bluegreen

Flowers fragrant flowers white, lavender to red in terminal
racemes--to 3/4" wide

Fruit siliques flattened to 2" long

Propagation: seed

Usage: background flowers, cut flowers, for fragrance--good in
the back of annual beds or borders

Landscape Care:

Watering likes regular water, but be sure drainage is good

Fertilizing balanced when planting. Low nitrogen 2x per month

Pruning pinch off spent flowers

Pests/Diseases root rot, powdery mildew

Special Conditions use in pots or raised beds if drainage is poor

Origin: So. Europe Family: Cruciferae