

Botanical Name: Thalictrum aquilegifolium

Common Name: Meadow rue

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Character winter deciduous

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape open, airy-looking plant with upright stems, lacy

foliage and rounded brushy clusters of flowers

Height 2-3' Spread 2-3' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoor partial shade to shade

Soi prefers a well-drained, organic soil

Hardiness hardy--all zones--short lived in So. Calif.

Morphology:

Leaves bi- or tri-pinnately compound. Leaflets blue-green,

usually 3 lobed, or coarsely toothed to 1" across -- fine textured

Flowers dense, rounded clusters of pink, purple or white stamens;

each head to 3/4" across

Fruit tiny 3-winged achene

Propagation: division in early spring

Usage: good for lacy effect against a dark background, good in

flower arrangements--used in shady beds as a contrast to darker, coarser

plants

Landscape Care:

Watering likes regular watering

Fertilizing feed lightly with balanced fertilizer in spring

Pruning cut off foliage in winter after die-back

Pests/Diseases none major -- snails and slugs

Special Conditions

Origin: No. Europe Family: Ranunculaceae