

Botanical Name: Artemisia versicolor 'Sea Foam'

Common Name: Sea Foam artemisia; Curlicue sage

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Family Asteraceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape a low growing, sprawling perennial with very fine silver-blue foliage held in peculiar reflexed branchlets; very distinctive foliage

Height to 1 ft. Spread to 3 ft. Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun preferred; tolerates part shade

Soil tolerates most any soil with good drainage

Hardiness hardy; zones 1-24

Morphology:

Leaves pinnatifid silvery leaves to 3" long, 2" wide with 1/16" wide leaf blade segments; leaves reflex back into odd, rounded spheroid branchlets

Flowers small composite flowers in panicles; flowers are 1/8 across  
not considered attractive and are usually removed

Fruit small achenes

Propagation: stem cuttings, division

Usage: used as a silver groundcover in perennial beds; good mixed  
with darker foliage plants in sun or part shade; excellent in Mediterranean  
theme landscapes; can be mixed with California natives

Landscape Care:

Watering average watering in most gardens; fairly drought tolerant  
when established

Fertilizing slow release at planting time

Pruning pinch regularly to encourage dense form; remove flowers

Pests/Diseases aphids, mealybug, scale,

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Origin: Hybrid cultivar