

Balearic pincushion flower

Scabiosa cretica Also known as: **Cretan scabious**

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This description is for **Balearic pincushion flower** (*Scabiosa cretica*):

If your garden is constantly needling you with silent reproach for neglecting it, make it up to your outdoor space by introducing *scabiosa cretica* or Balearic pincushion flower. There's nothing not to like about this beautiful plant that has enticing silvery-green lance-shaped foliage and slender stems, which bear lovely lavender blooms that are a treat to look at and will make your garden feel loved again. Balearic pincushion flower is drought-tolerant, likes poor, alkaline to neutral soils that have good drainage and is happy in areas that receive lots of sunlight. This vivacious plant is superb for coastal gardens and wildlife gardens. It attracts helpful bees and butterflies and looks lovely nestled in a border or bed.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
Known dangers? no	Acidity Neutral Alkaline	Standard category Flowers & bulbs Wild flowers
Height [m] 0.6	Hardiness zone Z9-11	Grown for Attractive Flowers
Spread [m] 0.4	Heat zone H12-10	Creative category Kid Approved For Beginners Colours Show-offs For birds & bees Roses & classics

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Dominant flower colour Violet	Winter temperatures [°C] -7 - 4	Garden type Cottage garden Rock garden Containers Meadows
Flower Fragrance No, neutral please	Heat days 150 - 210	Garden spaces Flower beds Cut flowers
Flowering seasons Mid summer Late summer Early autumn	Moisture well-drained	Gardening expertise beginner
Foliage in spring Grey or silver	Soil type sandy chalky loams	Time to reach full size 2 to 5 years
Foliage in summer Grey or silver	Sun requirements Full sun	
Foliage in Autumn Grey or silver	Exposure Exposed Sheltered	
Propagation methods seed basal cuttings division		
Growth habit Compact Erect		