

Lysimachia clethroides

Gooseneck Loosestrife



Hardiness: Hardy to -9 C

Height: 50 cm—1 m

Spread: 50 cm— 1m

Sunlight: Full sun to partial shade

Flowers: Summer

Deer Tolerant

General Description:

This is an erect, rhizomatous, clump-forming perennial which typically grows 2-3' tall and spreads aggressively by underground stems to form large colonies. Numerous, tiny, star-shaped, white flowers (1/2" wide) are densely packed into slender, tapered, terminal racemes (12-18" long) which arch above the foliage. As the common name suggests, each gracefully curved raceme is shaped in a manner purportedly resembling a goose's neck. Blooms late spring to early summer. Ovate-lanceolate, medium green leaves are 3-6" long. Valued by florists for fresh cut flower arrangements.

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Care Notes:

Easily grown in average, medium, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Prefers moist, rich, humusy locations in full sun, but spreads by rhizomes and can be very aggressive in these ideal growing conditions. Tends to be somewhat less aggressive if grown in drier soils with light shade.