

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

'May Night' Meadow Sage

Salvia nemorosa

DESCRIPTION: Stunning and sturdy, 'May Night' Meadow Sage is widely popular. Spikes of purple flowers rise above a compact rosette of large, aromatic, rough-textured green leaves. It grows fairly fast and mature size tops out at a foot or so. In hot low deserts there is a spring color show, with a possibility of fall flowers. The blossoms attract hummingbirds and butterflies, and the foliage is quite resistant to browsing by deer and rabbits.

RECOMMENDED USE: Grow as a low accent, ground cover, border,, or in an enhanced desert landscape or xeriscape. 'May Night' Meadow Sage is prized as a cut flower, both fresh and dried.

CULTURE:

160 m

Hardiness: -20°F.



Sun tolerance: Morning sun to all-day light shade.



Watering and feeding: Drought resistant once established.



Soil requirements: Adaptable to varied soils types; from sand to clay.



Pruning: Faded flowers should be cut off promptly to sustain a long bloom season.