



Catchfly Planting Guide

About Catchfly

Catchfly, a mid season bloomer sometimes called "None-So-Pretty", is a classic wildflower that is a welcomed addition to any meadow garden. The plant produces dainty clusters of exquisite purplish pink flowers. Catchfly is also a favorite of birds and butterflies.

When to Plant

Sow seeds outdoors in fall or 3 weeks before the last frost in spring. Seeds may also be started indoors 8-10 weeks prior to the last spring frost date.

Where to Plant

Catchfly prefers full sun in average, dry to medium moisture, well-drained soils. Afternoon shade is tolerated but not preferred. Excellent drainage is essential and can be achieved by using sandy or gravelly soils. Catchfly does not perform well in hot and humid summer area. They are ideal for beds and borders, cottage gardens, rock gardens, meadows, and container planting.

How to Plant

Prepare seedbed outdoors by weeding and loosening the top several inches of the soil. If starting seeds indoors, plant about 1/4" deep. Keep soil moist, but not wet. Germination takes 15-25 days. Direct sow or move seedlings outdoors, spacing plants about 8-10" apart.

Caring for Catchfly

Use a general purpose fertilizer once or twice a season for best performance. Once plants are established, they prefer slightly dry soils and rarely need watered as they are drought tolerant. Catchfly will benefit by support from other nearby plants or you can stake them if necessary.