# Wallitsch Nursery And Garden Center

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### **Perennial Money Plant**



### Perennial Money Plant Lunaria redeviva

Height: 3 feet Spread: 3 feet

Hardiness Zone: 2a
Other Names: Honesty

#### **Description:**

A favorite old fashioned perennial with showy sprays of pretty white flowers in spring, followed by interesting papery silver dollar sized seedpods which are great for dried arrangements; self seeding needs to be controlled; attracts pollenators

#### **Ornamental Features**

Perennial Money Plant is bathed in stunning clusters of fragrant white star-shaped flowers with lilac purple streaks at the ends of the stems from late spring to early summer, which emerge from distinctive purple flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. The fruits are showy creamy white pods carried in abundance from early fall to late winter. Its serrated heart-shaped leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Perennial Money Plant is an herbaceous perennial with a more or less rounded form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.



Perennial Money Plant in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Perennial Money Plant flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Self-Seeding

Perennial Money Plant is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

#### **Planting & Growing**

Perennial Money Plant will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America.