## **Stonegate Gardens**

### White Robe Cupflower

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# White Robe Cupflower Nierembergia scoparia 'White Robe'

Height: 8 inches
Spread: 12 inches
Spacing: 8 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### **Description:**

A fast growing variety that forms a nice carpet of white blooms with butter centers all summer; cascades nicely over rocks and walls, and is a nice filler for mixed containers; exhibits good heat tolerance, but does need regular watering



White Robe Cupflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

White Robe Cupflower has masses of beautiful white cup-shaped flowers with buttery yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from early summer to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its small narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

White Robe Cupflower is a dense herbaceous annual with a mounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

White Robe Cupflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

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#### **Planting & Growing**

White Robe Cupflower will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 8 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

White Robe Cupflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.