

Eupatorium hyssopifolium Hyssopleaf Thoroughwort

Eupatorium hyssopifolium (Hyssopleaf Thoroughwort) provides a bouquet of white flowers for the fall garden palette. This native plant begins with fine-textured fronds of gray-green whorled leaves that are avoided by herbivores. The foliage provides interesting texture and movement throughout the growing season. From August to October, a profusion of flat-topped flower corymbs bloom atop the 2-4' tall foliage, providing a welcome contrast to the dominant yellows of fall. The flowers provide a large landing pad for a wide variety of pollinators and beneficial insects. When massed, the late season flower displays are magnificent. The blossoms mature into soft buff colored seed clusters that mingle nicely with flowering autumn grasses. Hyssopleaf Thoroughwort prefers full to part shade in well-drained, sandy soils, but can tolerate a variety of soil conditions. Pair this plant with earlier blooming flowers such as Wild Bergamot and Black-eyed Susan, and grasses like Little Bluestem.

Botanical Name: Eupatorium hyssopifolium

Common Name: Hyssopleaf Thoroughwort

Family: Asteraceae

Nativity: US Native

USDA Zone: 4 to 8

Light Type: Full sun to part shade

Soil Type: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Preferences: Well-drained, sandy soils

Soil Moisture: Dry, medium

Typical height (ft): 2-4'

Typical width (ft): 1-2'

Foliage: Green to gray-green, fine-textured

Bloom Time: August, September, October

Bloom: White

Ecological features: Provides floral resources for bees, butterflies and other pollinators; Eupatorium is the host plant for 10 species of swallowtails, fritillaries, and other Michigan butterflies.

Tolerance of: Drought, Deer, Salt

Additional notes: Flat-topped form with ample late fall blooms; thrives in sandy or gravel soils

Companion plants: Short-toothed mountain mint (*Pycnanthemum muticum*), Smooth Blue Aster (*Aster laevis*), Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*), Wild Bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*), Dense Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*), Black-eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia fulgida* var. *fulgida*), Little Bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)

For more information see:

<http://www.newmoonnursery.com/plant/Eupatorium-hyssopifolium>

<https://www.northcreeknurseries.com/plantName/Eupatorium-hyssopifolium->

<https://mtcubacenter.org/plants/hyssop-leaf-thoroughwort/>

<https://gobotany.nativeplanttrust.org/species/eupatorium/hyssopifolium/>

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Vase-shaped form



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White flower



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Combined with Rudbeckia



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Massing with early goldenrod and false sunflower

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