

Star of Bethlehem



Ornithogalum arabicum

- **Use:** This member of the lily family produces clusters of scented white flowers with snappy black eyes in spring. Compact bloom spikes are studded with fragrant blossoms that provide substance and perfume to early season bouquets. A Mediterranean native that takes readily to warm weather garden conditions and asks for no special treatment. Smashing in patio planters with other summer flowering bulbs and annuals.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full/part sun; Water occasionally, until established. Use slow release fertilizer. Once established needs only occasional water.
- **Growth:** Moderate to fast growth to about 12-24 inches and 12-24" wide.
- **Hardiness:** 7-10; perennial. Also makes a nice houseplant.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous; Green strap like leaves.
- **Flowers:** Dense clusters of starry flowers appear on top of 12"-24" spikes, making it a valuable cut flower. It's also a valuable garden plant because its blossoms are so long lasting in the mid-late summer garden.



Fragrant!