

Frisly Knickers Anemone



Anemone 'Frisly Knickers'

- ***Use:*** Anemone Frilly Knickers is the one we have been waiting for! Many new anemones have come onto the market promising double white, bi-color flowers on a vigorous, clump-forming plant, but so many have been a disappointment. Leave it to British gardening guru Rosemary Hardy to find one who is actually perfect and quite tough. Semi-double white flowers with the most adorably ruffled edges unfurl to reveal a surprise on their backside - a periwinkle lavender back and dark stems.
- ***Exposure/Soil:*** In cooler climates, they can be grown in full sun if a consistent supply of moisture is available. In warmer zones, they need protection from the hot, midday sun; dappled shade is ideal. . Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer. Plant them in rich, loose, well-drained soil. Dry or excessively wet soil and windy conditions are a sure downfall of this plant. Always best to water under leaves.
- ***Growth:*** Moderate growing; reaches 16 to 18 in. tall,(24" in full flower) 16 to 18 in. wide. Spreads slowly through rhizomes.
- ***Hardiness:*** Zone 5-8; Perennial. Very easy to grow!
- ***Foliage:*** Deciduous; Tough, green foliage is a great backdrop for the flowers.
- ***Flower:*** Its full buds hint of double flowers within but actually reveal semi-double blooms - each pure white petal being suffused with pale lilac and finely frilled, surrounding a boss of deep golden yellow stamens. Glimpse beneath and the petals are brushed with deeper violet, a gorgeous composition. Ever so pretty and delicate with its romantically ruffled semi-double petals. Vigorous with continuous blooms from mid-June until mid-fall. The seed heads look like little fluffy cotton balls, standing atop strong stems to give interest to the garden from fall into winter.

This is a great plant for the woodland edge, and all along the middle of any mixed border or sunny foundation planting.



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