

Temple of Bloom- Seven-Son Flower Tree



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Heptacodium miconioides ('SMNHMRF') 'Temple of Bloom'

- **Use:** We are thrilled to be able to bring you this outstanding plant, previously known only by collectors and plant geeks. It is a beautiful, easy to grow small tree which simply can't be matched for year-round beauty. The common name, "seven-son flower" derives from the way that the flowers are arranged on the stems.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun /partial shade, Prefers well-draining soil and appreciates slow release fertilizer. Water when top 3 in of soil is dry.
- **Growth:** Grows 6-10' tall and wide. Best as a specimen, thanks to its elegant habit. However, it is amenable to pruning, which offers it some versatility in the landscape and allows you to control height.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9b; Small Tree
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Handsome leaves, each sporting dramatically deep veins that make the plant stand out in the landscape. As the season progresses, the leaves grow larger and develop a long, twisting tip. Peeling bark looks great year-round but is especially memorable in winter.
- **Flowers:** In fall it is covered in big clusters of FRAGRANT white flowers that hummingbirds and other pollinators flock to. They last for weeks before gracefully falling to the ground to reveal vivid red, fan-like bracts, which make it look like the plant is blooming again in a completely different color. This cultivar differs from other Heptacodium on the market in that the bracts (actually sepals) develop a much deeper red color. Plus, it blooms earlier, so that even in colder areas of its hardiness range, you'll still get a chance to see that color develop.



The perfect choice for a special spot in your landscape. Plant it where it can be seen, often, and enjoyed any time of the year.

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