



UTAH POLLINATOR HABITAT PROGRAM

Joe Pye Weed (*Eutrochium maculatum*)



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Zone: 2-7

Color: Pink to purple

Bloom Time: July to September

Plant Type: Perennial herb

Mature Height: 6-8' tall

Mature Spread: 3-4' wide

Water Use: Moderate

Soil Type: Sandy loam to rich, silty soils

Range and Native Habitat: Joe Pye Weed occurs in the central portion of the west; Utah, Montana, Colorado, Nevada, and New Mexico. It prefers medium to wet soils in wet meadows, swamps, swampy thickets, and sedge meadows.

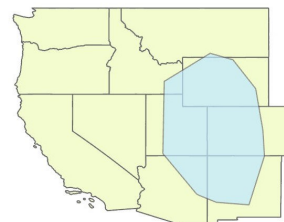
Suggested Maintenance: Cut back foliage in the spring to allow for winter visual interest and wildlife cover and forage during the colder months.

Other: The name, Joe Pye Weed, is believed to be derived from an Indian medicine man named Joe Pye who was said to use the plant to cure typhoid fever and halt an epidemic in colonial Massachusetts. The plant is fragrant and attracts a large number of pollinators such as butterflies, skippers, moths, and native bees. Caterpillars of several moths feed on the foliage. The plant forms small, clonal colonies from underground rhizomes.

Wildlife Supported



Distribution Map



Landscaping Information



Sun
Full sun to part shade



Water Needs
Moderate



Summer Irrigation
Max 4x / month once established



Soil Drainage
Moderate



Propagation
By root division in spring or fall