

ROSE OF SHARON

Hibiscus syriacus (hi-BIS-kus seer-ee-AY-kus)

PERENNIAL I MALVACEAE FAMILY

ZONES: 5-8

EXPOSURE: FULL SUN

MATURE HEIGHT: 8-12 FT I SPREAD 4-8 FT

BLOOM: WHITE & ROSE OR PURPLE I SUMMER-FALL













Rose of Sharon hibiscus are fast-growing, hardy and deciduous plants. They are beautiful additions to the landscape – attracting butterflies, hummingbirds and specialized bees. As a member of the Mallow family, they contain the demulcent mucilage.

- Culinary: leaves, buds, blossoms and bark contains vitamin-C and Anthocyanins antioxidants and can be consumed raw in salads or cooked. Steep flowers for hibiscus tea.
- Therapeutic*: leaves are diuretic, expectorant and stomachic. A decoction of the flowers is diuretic, ophthalmic and stomachic and can be used for itching. A decoction of the root bark is antiphlogistic, demulcent, emollient, febrifuge, haemostatic and vermifuge.

<u>Caution</u>: readily self-seeds, remove spent flowers or seedlings to prevent invasive growth. Don't use if pregnant or in small children.



