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Chamomile Lawn Chamaemelum nobile

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Intaining only four species of annuals and evergreen perennials, this small genus is native to Europe and Mediterranean regions and is closely related to Anthemis chamomilla and Matricaria.

The name Chamaemelum is a derivative of the Greek word Khamaimelon, meaning 'Earth Apple' or 'apple on the ground' referring to the fact that it is low growing and the scent is reminisce of apples.

Chamaemelum nobile can be used to it's best advantage by planting in lawns or between paving where the delightful scent that can be released when walked upon.

DESCRIPTION

C. nobilis, also known as Roman Chamomile, is a matforming evergreen perennial with aromatic, finely divided leaves. It bears white daisy-like flowers with yellow centres throughout summer.

C. nobilis 'Treneague' is a mat-forming, non-flowering cultivar with aromatic leaves. Is ideal for lawns as it does not require mowing like C. Nobile.

PARTS USED Flowers, oil

Chamaemelum nobile 'Trenegue -Height 6cm (2.5in)

faster growing of the two forms, however it will need to be cut or

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mown regularly as it comes into flower in order to keep it tidy.

C. n. 'Treneague' is slower to establish as a lawn but the advantage is that it doesn't require mowing. Medicinal

Flowers can be used for a tea the same as for German Chamomile, although it is not as sweet.

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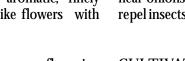
Oil is used in beauty preparations to lighten and condition the hair. An infusion of Chamomile can be used as a final rinse after washing hair to make it brighter **Companion Planting**

Often referred to by Herbalist as the 'Plant Physician' due to its ability to revive ailing plants. Plant Chamomile near onions and cucumbers to improve crop yield and repel insects. Useful in the making of compost.

CULTIVATION

Light, well-drained soil in full sun. Propagate by seed sown in spring or autumn, or by division in spring. Chamomile for lawns is planted 10cm/4in apart.

Chamaemelum nobile -Height 20cm (8in)





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PROPERTIES An aromatic herb.

USES OF THE HERB Ornamental

Both C. Nobile, flowering lawn chamomile, and C. n. 'Treneague', non-flowering lawn chamomile, are ideal for planting as a lawn or ground cover. C. nobile is a HARVEST Flowers are gathered in summer Dried flowers will only keep for a year.



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