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A collection for observation and reference. Detailed explanations to help you make care decisions suited to your plant and its position.

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PLANT PORTRAIT

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| Botanical name  | Clematis 'Miss Bateman'                                                              |
| Delivery size   | 2 plants · each in an 11 cm pot · about 40 cm total height                           |
| Habit           | Deciduous perennial climber with twining leaf stalks and large individual flowers    |
| Expected height | About 1.5–2.5 m as later garden guidance; depends on support and pruning             |
| Flowering       | Late spring to early summer, usually May–June; later second flowering possible       |
| Flower colour   | Satin white; cream filaments with dark-red anthers                                   |
| Planting        | Spring or early autumn in workable, adequately moist soil                            |
| Spacing         | Give each plant its own root area and support space; about 30–45 cm away from a wall |

## Care at a glance

Observe, check and adapt care to the position and season. This table provides guidance for everyday practice.

| Topic     | What to do                                                              | Why it helps                                             |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Position  | Choose sun or light partial shade and cool root space.                  | Flowering light and a sheltered base can be combined.    |
| Arrival   | Check rootball moisture and gently free thin stems.                     | Stems break more easily than the rootball.               |
| Planting  | Set rootball top about 5–8 cm below soil surface.                       | Large-flowered clematis can reshoot from underground.    |
| Support   | Provide fine trellis and distribute stems loosely.                      | Leaf stalks need something to grip.                      |
| Water     | Check the root zone and water thoroughly when needed.                   | Small delivery pots and containers dry faster than beds. |
| Container | Plan at least about 45 cm deep and wide with open drainage.             | Long-term root space exceeds the delivery pot.           |
| Feeding   | Care for bed soil; use suitable container fertiliser by label.          | More feed does not replace even rootball moisture.       |
| Pruning   | Retain old framework in spring; trim some shoots after first flowering. | Group 2 flowers early on previous-year wood.             |
| Winter    | Protect containers from severe root frost and constant wetness.         | A small pot is more exposed than garden soil.            |

# Knowledge that grows

## White stands out through its dark centre

Miss Bateman flowers can reach about 15 cm across. Six to eight broad white flower segments surround cream filaments and dark-red anthers. A green central stripe may appear on the reverse. Against quiet timber or dark garden greenery this fine contrast shows well. Green leaves and thin shoots belong to a deciduous clematis. It grips support with leaf stalks; a smooth wall alone cannot carry it. Fine trellis or thin wires therefore belong in the planting plan before new shoots lengthen.

## Two young clematis find their own places

The current set contains two plants in 11 cm pots at about 40 cm total height. The plant view is a size example, not a promise of a flower count on delivery. This cultivar belongs to early large-flowered garden clematis in Ranunculaceae. Its later framework is roughly 1.5–2.5 m high depending on care and support. You may separate the two into different positions, each with its own root zone. Two little delivery pots are not yet a fully covered screening wall; loose ties help them start.

## Light for shoots, coolness for roots

Choose sun or light partial shade. Soil should be deep, sufficiently fertile and moisture-retentive while draining surplus water. Shade the lower planting area with low neighbours or suitable soil cover. This does not mean a dark position for the whole clematis. Beneath a roof edge, soil often stays dry despite rain; roughly 30–45 cm from a wall gives the rootball a better place. Even at a garden fence, avoid close competition with large woody roots. An open base makes later checks easier.

## Protect delicate shoots when planting

Spring and early autumn suit planting in workable soil. Check rootball moisture and water a dry rootball first. Hold the rootball, not long stems, when unpotting. For this large-flowered clematis, set the rootball top about 5–8 cm below the eventual soil surface; buried buds can then make new shoots. Watering settles soil against roots. For container culture, at least about 45 cm depth and width is useful guidance. Open holes and stable soil structure remain essential even in a large container.

## Moist soil through checking and thorough watering

Newly planted clematis need attention during dry weeks. Check the root zone and water beyond briefly darkening the surface. Wind and sun dry containers faster; daily moisture checks may be needed during growth. Water should pass through the rootball then drain. An established bed often needs less extra water but is checked during prolonged heat too. Good garden soil needs no constant fertilising. A spring covering of well-rotted compost and label-appropriate container feeding can accompany growth. Do not heap material against stems.

## Pruning preserves wood for the first flowers

Miss Bateman belongs to pruning group 2. Early flowers form on short shoots from the previous year's framework. On an established plant, examine each stem from top down in late winter or early spring. Remove dead and weak parts, trim damaged tips just above a healthy bud pair and retain strong old wood. Complete annual ground-level pruning would cost part of the early display. After the first flush, shorten individual flowered shoots to strong buds or a side shoot. Repeat flowering is possible but depends on development and position.

## Guide the framework through the seasons

Train young shoots loosely and evenly; tight wire loops can constrict them. A very single-stemmed young plant can be cut harder to about 30 cm above ground in its first spring after planting to encourage branching. This is formative work, not standard annual pruning of the older cultivar. Autumn leaf loss is normal. Container roots need protection against severe freezing and prolonged winter wetness. Suddenly wilting shoots first call for checks of water, slug damage and visible stem injuries. Wear gloves: clematis can irritate skin and is not an edible plant.

## Pictures and details

Images and descriptions from this portrait. Decorative items are not included in the offer.



Unchanged clean original shop view of two young clematis with white flowers. Delivery size reference: 2 plants, each in an 11 cm pot, about 40 cm total height.



AI-designed flower detail based on the original shop image. Example of a later flowering stage, not a promise of current delivery flowering. Surroundings not included.

## Good to know

### Must Miss Bateman be cut to ground level every year?

Not once established. Group 2 retains strong previous-year wood for the first flowers.

### How large are the supplied plants?

Two plants in 11 cm pots at about 40 cm total height. Later climbing height is considerably greater.

### Can it grow in a container?

Yes, with enough root space. About 45 cm depth and width, free drainage and frequent moisture checks are a useful basis.

### Why does it need trellis?

It grips with leaf stalks. A smooth wall gives them no hold.

### Is second flowering certain in late summer?

Repeat flowering is possible. Position, growth and pruning influence it; it cannot be guaranteed.

### What should I do about suddenly wilting shoots?

Check rootball moisture and stems for feeding damage or injuries. Not every wilt is the well-known fungal disease; investigate unclear damage specifically.

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