

PLANTS TO READ ABOUT

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PLANT PORTRAIT

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Botanical name	Sutera diffusa · horticultural trade name; Chaenostoma cordatum
Delivery size	3 plants · each in an 11 cm pot · plant height approx. 20–30 cm
Family	Scrophulariaceae
Flower colour	White with yellow to orange-yellow centre
Flowering	Summer to autumn with suitable cultivation
Lifespan	Frost-sensitive perennial, often grown seasonally
Planting time	After frost risk, acclimatise beforehand
Habit	Low and overhanging; species generally up to roughly 30 cm
Spacing	Roughly 25–30 cm as guidance, consider lateral growth
Position	Bright to light partial shade; check moisture especially in sun

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
Light	Position brightly to lightly partially shaded.	Check the small root zone especially in hot sun.
Planting	Acclimatise gradually after frost risk.	The species is frost-sensitive.
Moisture	Reliably moist, do not let dry completely.	The plant is not a pronounced dry-growing crop.
Drainage	Let excess drain away.	Moist and permanently waterlogged are different conditions.
Soil	Use humus-rich, well-drained soil.	Roots need water and oxygen.
Nutrients	During growth according to label, consider existing feeding.	A dry root ball does not need an extra fertiliser dose.
Shoots	Remove damage specifically, do not tear the edge.	Overhanging growth belongs to development.
Winter	Continue cultivation bright and frost-free.	The German snowflake-flower name does not mean winter hardiness.

Knowledge that grows

Many little stars rather than one large flower

White bacopa forms small five-part flowers with yellow to orange-yellow centres. Small green foliage with finely toothed edges sits between them. At a container edge, the plant therefore resembles a moving pale line rather than a heavy flower head. The offer uses the horticultural name *Sutera diffusa*. In today's botanical classification, the usual plant is described as *Chaenostoma cordatum*. The trade name Bacopa is also encountered for these plants; here it does not mean we are portraying an aquatic plant of the botanical genus with that name.

Three young plants remain within care reach

The set comprises three plants in 11-cm pots with roughly twenty to thirty centimetres plant height. No additional total height including pot is calculated from this. The species grows low and can continue sideways or overhang. Arrange crowns loosely before planting and keep the centre reachable. Roughly twenty-five to thirty centimetres spacing can provide a starting point without precisely defining an unnamed variety. The young pot group is not yet a large established hanging basket.

A bright edge may need some shelter too

The species adapts to sun and shadier places. For young container cultivation, choose bright to light partial shade and observe the root ball especially on sunny hot days. Deep beneath a dense shelf are different conditions from a friendly terrace edge. Acclimatise gradually after transport and plant permanently outside only after frost risk. The plant should not only carry flowers but remain accessible from below too. A bright seating-area bowl with free drainage can combine both.

The small root ball must not be forgotten

Bacopa is not especially drought-tolerant. Consistent usable moisture supports summer development and flowering. Check soil and pot weight before the root ball dries completely and water slowly onto soil. Excess must drain. Summer warmth can require more water; a cooler day changes consumption. If flowers decrease, first inspect actual moisture and position. Merely adding fertiliser while the root ball is dry does not solve the supply problem.

Hanging shoots remain part of supply

Humus-rich well-drained planting compost combines moisture retention and root air. During active growth, feed according to the fertiliser label and consider pre-fertilisation. Damaged shoots can be reduced specifically. Do not pull the whole hanging edge to remove individual old flowers. In dense crowns, inspect leaf undersides and centre; whitefly is a possible problem, not an inevitable property. Free drainage matters particularly after prolonged rain. The container must remain safely liftable later without crushing hanging shoots.

Perennial does not mean winter-hardy here

The species is frost-sensitive and often used seasonally here. Further cultivation needs a bright sheltered indoor place before frost. Check soil there too, supplying more restrainedly during reduced growth. Winter snow cover is not part of the care promise merely because the German name contains snow. A flower close-up and a view of the whole container edge complement each other in the plant book. Note sun, moisture and new shoot length. Observed development thus matters more than a fixed calendar for every season.

Pictures and details

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



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Enlarged crop; not a depiction of delivery size.



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Good to know

Is *Sutera diffusa* the current botanical name?

It is a widespread horticultural trade name; the usual plant is now assigned to *Chaenostoma cordatum*.

Is this an aquatic *Bacopa* plant?

No. The trade name *Bacopa* is also used for this garden plant.

Do 30 cm include the pot?

The shop states plant height, not an additionally calculated total height.

Why does it pause flowering?

Consider root-ball moisture, warmth and light together; do not infer one cause from flower appearance.

Is it hardy because of its name?

No. Protect it before frost for continued cultivation.

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