

Plant Facts

Artemisia 'Powis Castle' *Artemisia x 'Powis Castle'*

Other Common Names: Wormwood



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POWIS CASTLE ARTEMISIA OR WORMWOOD

Artemisia arborescens x Absinthium 'Powis Castle'

Mounding Evergreen Perennial Subshrub



Full Sun **Water:** Low-medium, drought tolerant

2-3' Tall x 1-2' Wide **Color:** Gray-Green

Bushy, woody subshrub with finely divided foliage

Prune to limit spread

Grown by a Denton County Master Gardener

General Information

Artemisia 'Powis Castle' has soft-textured, aromatic, gray-green foliage that contrasts nicely with red, pink, or purple flowers. A woody based perennial.

Characteristics

Hardiness Zones: 7-9

Heat Tolerance: High

Size: 2-3 ft tall by 1-2 ft wide

Flowers: Rare, insignificant

Leaves: Silver, fine-textured, aromatic when crushed

Growth Habit/Shape: Shrubby mounds

Dormancy: Winter depending on cold severity

Soil Requirements: Free draining; in raised beds or containers if have clay soil

Propagation: Divide by removing spreading rhizomes

Indoor/Outdoor: Outdoor

Pests and Diseases

None

Plant Care

Artemisia 'Powis Castle' grows quickly, preferring full sun and well-drained soil. The plant is heat tolerant with low supplemental watering needs, once established. Fertilize at planting time with a timed-release product. Cut back the dead foliage to six inches after it freezes in late fall or early winter. Best planted in fall to allow the plant to establish before sustained heat.

Notes

Moderately Deer Resistant. Susceptible to root rot in wet soils.

Sources for Additional Information

NC State Extension

<https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu/plants/artemisia-powis-castle/>

Missouri Botanical Garden

<https://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?taxonid=241872&isprofile=1&asic=artemisia>