

# Plant "Imagination"

*Aconitum napellus* or, *Monkshood*



Commonly called Monkshood *Aconitum napellus* is an erect, tuberous-rooted perennial which features dense, terminal racemes (to 8" long) of hooded, deep purplish-blue to violet flowers atop rigid, leafy stems typically growing 2-4' tall

Best grown in moist, organically rich, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. Soils must not be allowed to dry out, but need sufficient drainage to prevent wet conditions from developing. It is Best in full sun in cool summer climates.

It needs cool nights below 70 degrees F. Cut back stems after flowering to encourage an additional late season bloom. Although plants may be propagated by division, they are often slow to establish and are probably best left undisturbed once planted.

Common Name: monkshood, Type:

Herbaceous perennial, Family: Ranunculaceae

Zone: 3 to 7, Height: 2.00 to 4.00 feet, Spread: 1.00 to 1.50 feet, Bloom Time: July to August

Bloom Description: Deep purplish blue

Sun: Full sun to part shade, Water: Medium, Maintenance: Medium, Flower: Showy, Tolerate: Rabbit, Deer