



## Heath Aster

*Symphyotrichum ericoides*

### Growing Information

- Plant Type: Perennial
- Sunlight: Sun
- Soils: Dry, average
- Bloom Time: White flowers in August, September, October
- Size: 1-3 feet in height; up to 1.5 foot spread

Colony forming Heath Aster provides profuse, bloom for a border, rock, wildflower, or native plant garden. Tolerates poor soil and drought. Sometimes sold as *Aster ericoides* which is likely to be a cultivar or hybrid of other aster species.

### Garden Companions

Aromatic Aster (*Symphyotrichum oblongifolius*), Frost Aster (*Symphyotrichum pilosum*)

### Nature Benefits

- Good plant for a large variety of late season pollinators.
- Host plant for the Banded Woolly Bear caterpillar, the larval form of the Isabella Tiger Moth.

### Natural Habitat

Occurs along roadsides, sandy, open areas, fields