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Spotted Joe Pye Weed “Gateway”

Eutrochium maculatum

Growing Information

- Sunlight: Full sun to part shade
- Soils: Average
- Bloom Time: August, September
- Size: 4-5ft in height

Not indigenous to Cape Cod, but native to much of the rest of New England. Plants can be cut back to half its height in early summer for late summer blooms on shorter stems. This plant is best showcased in masses or dramatic accent in a cottage or wildlife garden. Flower heads are 12” wide clusters of flowers that will dry to seedheads giving interest to a winter garden. Cut back in early spring leaving 6-18” remaining to provide hollow stems for wild bees. Good choice for rain gardens and meadows. Makes a good cut flower.

Garden Companions

Obedient Plant (*Physostegia virginiana*), Dense Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*), Boneset (*Eupatorium perfoliatum*)

Nature Benefits

- Pollinator magnet
- Seeds are attractive to birds

Native Habitat

Occurs naturally in openings in marshes, meadows, and fields.