

## **SEED OF THE MONTH:**

**Common Name:** Pregnant Onion (Bulb)

Aka: Healing Onion or Meritz Weibel

Scientific Name: Albuca bracteata

Family: Hyacinthaceae

Genus: Albuca

**Species:** bracteata

Height: Spacing: Sun Exposure:

36 - to 48 inches 36-48 inches Sun to partial

**Bloom Color:** White/Near White

**Bloom Time:** Late Spring Early Summer

Other Details:

The long waxy leaves helps to minimize transpiration thus retaining moisture.

Parts of the plant are poisonous if ingested.

Some people have reported that their plants grow in excess of 35 yrs!

**Soil Requirements:** Well drained soil, with a slight alkalinity.

Water Requirements: In-ground – let mother nature do the

watering. In-pot – one to two times per week.

See garden office for Pregnant Onion Bulb

## **Propagation Methods:**

Allow green pods to dry on plant and when they turn brown break open lantern like pods to collect seeds.

## **Known Uses:**

This succulent has been known to have healing properties. Some cultures will smash the tips of the leaves into a pasty consistency and place the concoction on an infected sore to draw out infections.

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