

## **SEED OF THE MONTH:**

**Common Name:** Walking Iris (Apostle's Plant)

Scientific Name: Neomarica gracilis

Family: Iridaceae

**Genus:** Neomarica

Species: gracilis Subspecies:

Height: Spacing: Sun Exposure:

18-24 inches 18 – 24 " Partial to full shade

**Bloom Color:** White with purple centers.

Bloom Time: Mid Spring (Blooms just in time for Easter)! Flowers attract bees, birds and

butterflies.

## Other Details:

Because this is such a shade loving plant it grows indoors and out. If ingested it is poisonous so keep your kitty away from it. It's very interesting how little plantlets develop on stems where flowers once were! The waxy leaves helps to minimize transpiration making this a fairly drought tolerant plant.

Soil Requirements: Well drained.

Water Requirements: Water 1 to 2 times a week.

## **Propagation Methods:**

Divide rhizomes, tubers, coms or bulbs and plant directly in ground or pot. If you have seed pods, allow them to dry out on plant, crack open and plant asap, as these seeds do not store well.

## **Known Uses:**

This ornamental plant is used in landscapes to create picturesque niches near large rocks or as a flowerbed groundcover!

No seed this month.

See the window for your cutting.

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