



## Dame's Rocket (Hesperis) Planting Guide

### About Dame's Rocket

This classic flower is, unfortunately, not as well-known as it should be. Not only is it beautiful, offering loose clusters of attractive, fragrant, pinkish-purple to white four-petaled flowers, but it is very easy to grow from seed. Dame's Rocket is also very resilient and can be successfully planted in both sun and shade.

### When to Plant

Sow seeds in spring, after the threat of frost has passed. Dame's Rocket is one of the few varieties that can thrive, even with a summer planting.

### Where to Plant

Dame's Rocket prefers moist, well-drained soil in full sun conditions, though it will tolerate partial shade.

### How to Plant

Direct sow seeds via broadcast onto the surface of the soil. Compress firmly, but do not cover - Dame's Rocket requires sunlight to germinate.

### Caring for Dame's Rocket

Dame's Rocket thrives with little need for care or maintenance. However, it can be a very prolific seeder that can overtake other nearby varieties. Control the spread of seed by cutting faded stems down to the base.