



Swamp Rose Mallow *Hibiscus moscheutos*

- 3-7 ft tall, native: NJ & northeast US, winter dormant perennial
- Large white or pink flowers with red centers bloom July - September
- Average to wet soil, full sun to part shade
- Prefers slightly acidic soils, good rain garden plant
- Tolerates up to 3 inches of standing water, deer, light salt, clay
- Attracts butterflies, hummingbirds
- Collect ripe brown seed pods September – November
- Shake seeds out of dry pods
- Propagates easily from seed or cuttings
- Store seeds dry and cold to maintain dormancy
- Press seeds into moist soil surface in pots or outside in garden bed
- Seeds may germinate in fall without cold stratification, if sown immediately
- Thick seed coat; soak in hot water overnight or scratch before sowing in pots
- Seeds usually benefit from 4 - 8 weeks moist at 40°F
- Move to 70° and light to germinate
- Will usually bloom in the second year