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# Eupatorium maculatum

## Joe Pye Weed



Also called spotted Joe Pye weed. Tall, and striking, with large, flat flower clusters of a deep, dusky pink. Stems are purple, and leaves are flecked with purple. A butterfly favorite. Reaches its greatest heights in moist, heavy soils; will stay more compact in drier or sandy soils.

**Suggested companions:** boneset (*Eupatorium perfoliatum*), goldenrod (*Solidago* sp.), black-eyed susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*), blue vervain (*Verbena hastata*). Arborvitae (*Thuja occidentalis*) makes a nice evergreen backdrop.

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Plant Type: Wildflower  
Size: 2-6' H  
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Water Tolerant: Somewhat

Soil: Average Garden Soil  
Rich Moist  
Very Damp/Wet

Flower Color:  
Pink  
Purple

Bloom Time:  
July  
August  
September

Other Attributes:  
Butterfly attracting  
Deer resistant

Habitat:  
Wet Meadow  
Shrubby Wetland  
Swamp/ Bog  
Forested Wetland  
Lake / Streamside

Exposure: sun

Plant in:

Groundcover: No

Fragrant