## **CROW WING COUNTY MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

# Silver Mound (Artemisia schmidtiana)

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Silver Mound is an herbaceous perennial with finely cut silver-green leaves and a mounding nature. It is a member of the aster family. Mid-Summer it has small yellow flowers that appear on short stalks. Because of its foliage, silver mound is a showy addition to the garden. Excellent for borders or ground cover.

Type	Herbacious perennial
Hardiness Zone	3 - 7
Sun	Full sun/part shade
Bloom Time	July - August
Height	1 - 2 feet
Spread	1 - 1.5 feet
Tolerance	Drought tolerant
Attracts	Butterflies and other pollinators
Additional Features	Deer and rabbit resistant

## Soil and Site Recommendations

- Drainage: requires well-drained soil
- Soil pH: will grow in acid, alkaline or neutral soil
- Type: sandy or loamy soil

## **Planting Recommendations**

- Type: plants or root division
- When to plant: spring
- Depth of planting: crown should be just above the soil surface
- Mulching: unnecessary
- Spacing: 10 16 inches
- Spread: 10 inches 2 feet
- Division/transplant tips: should be done in spring or fall

### **Maintenance**

- Watering: medium to dry; prefers dry conditions
- Fertilization: none required



- Pinching/deadheading: remove flowers after blooming to reduce plant height and legginess.
- Annual maintenance: carefully cut back dead portions in the spring, divide every 2-3 years.

## **Common Problems**

Disease: prone to powdery mildew and white rust if over-watered

Insects: resistant to insects

### Resources

www.missouribotanicalgarden.org

https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu

http://www.gardening.cornell.edu

Questions or problems: "What's wrong with my plant" for information on garden pests and diseases:

http://apps.extension.umn.edu/garden/diagnose/plant/

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