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Sedum telephioides

This East Coast native is one of the few taller sedums that are suitable to withstand the harsh conditions typically found on green roofs. Sedum telephioides grows to a height of around 18”. The tall stems add some height to an extensive green roof and increase the potential for biodiversity. Blue-green leaves grow on pinkish stems, punctuated by white clusters of star-shaped flowers in early autumn. In our climate, this plant drops all foliage by late autumn, leaving the brown remains of seed heads standing on thin stalks through the winter. This plant is a slow grower and may prefer some shade. The tall stems of this plant do tend to flop over. We would recommend treating this plant as an accent, rather than as a fast-growing groundcover.

CHARACTERISTICS

Foliage Color: Blue-green

Flower Color: White

Bloom Time: Early autumn

Winter Interest: None

BOTANICAL INFORMATION

Place of Origin: North America

Hardiness Zone: 5

Height: 24” Spread: 10”

Self-sowing: No

Light Requirement: Full sun – Partial shade

Plant Use: Accent

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PLANT SIZE

Deep nursery plug
3” deep x 1.5” across at the top

PLANT SPACING

Typically planted at 2-3 plugs per square foot

PLANTING MEDIUM

Green Roof Growing Medium
4” Min. Depth

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