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Estabrook's

CANADA ANEMONE CARE

LIGHT

Canada anemone (*Anemone canadensis*) grows in sun to partial shade. Its white flowers rise over deeply divided leaves in late spring and early summer. Choose an open naturalistic planting or a generous groundcover area where a colony can develop without overwhelming delicate neighbors.

WATER

Water deeply at planting and keep new roots consistently moist while establishing. This species suits average to moist or periodically wet soil and needs more reliable moisture than dry-rock-garden anemones. During drought, check the root zone and water thoroughly before repeated wilting.

SOIL & PLANTING

Plant at nursery depth in moisture-retentive garden soil. Leave room for underground rhizomes, which can form broad colonies. Keep the crown uncovered by heavy mulch. Choose a location where spreading shoots can be monitored and removed easily, rather than a tightly packed border of small plants.

FEEDING

A light addition of compost or modest spring feeding may help in poor soil. Follow fertilizer directions and avoid rich, repeated applications that encourage excessive growth. Suitable soil moisture and enough room for the colony are more useful than trying to force flowers with extra fertilizer.

SEASONAL CARE

After flowering, retain healthy leaves to support the plant. Remove dead or damaged stems as needed. Inspect colony edges during the growing season and lift unwanted rooted sections. Divide established colonies in spring or early fall when necessary, replanting promptly and watering until rooted.

HELPFUL TIPS

This native anemone can spread vigorously by rhizomes even when seed heads are removed. Allow for that behavior before planting near smaller perennials. White blooms alone do not identify the species; tall thimbleweed and snowdrop anemone have separate guides. Wear gloves when handling anemone sap.