

# Big-Leaved Aster

*Eurybia macrophylla*



Light:	Partial Shade, Shade
Soil:	Rich Loam, Sandy Loam
Moisture:	Medium-Wet, Medium, Medium-Dry
Benefits:	Pollinators
Height:	12"
Blooms:	Aug, Sep, Oct
Zones:	3, 4, 5, 6, 7
Color:	White, Blue, Lavender
Spacing:	2' to 3'
Root:	Rhizome

Big-Leaved Asters have large, heart-shaped leaves which provide great ground cover in full shade and blossom in partial shade. The plant is very beneficial to birds: seeds are eaten by song birds in winter, seed fluff provides soft nesting material, Ruffed Grouse and Wild Turkeys eat the seeds and the foliage.

Big-Leaved Asters are a pollinator favorite and attract a wide variety of insects as well as feeding the caterpillars of the Silvery Checkerspot and Pearl Crescent butterflies. Nectar-collecting pollinators are benefitted late in the season when few plants are in bloom.