

# Society Garlic (*Tulbaghia violacea*)

**Sun/Shade:** Prefers full sun; part shade OK

**Flowers:** Light lavender flowers on 6" stems above thick grassy succulent foliage. Blooms on and off continually throughout the growing season. The foliage smells like garlic and can be used for culinary flavoring.

**Landscape Use:** Is often overlooked as a great landscaping plant that is very Deer Resistant and drought tolerant. Looks good mass planted.

**Container Use:** Looks good in pots. Let dry, without causing wilt, before re-watering. Remove old flowers and stems to keep blooming fresh.

**Size:** Foliage about one foot tall with 6" inch flower stems above that.

**Type:** Perennial that returns faithfully after freezing weather.

**Deer Resistance:** Very Deer Resistant

**Butterflies:** Butterflies love it.

**Drought Tolerance:** Very drought tolerant but looks best with occasional watering.

**Soil:** Not particular about soil as long as it drains well and does not remain constantly wet. Does well in rocky soil or even better with soil enhancement.

**Water:** Smart Watering Principle=Water well when first planted then allow to dry slightly, without wilting, then water deeply again, etc. Do not keep constantly wet.

**Fertilizer:** Looks even better with regular fertilization.

**Maintenance Tips:** Cut off old flower stems occasionally to stimulate new flowers and cut out any portion that shows discoloration or damage. Cut off all blackened freeze damage.

**Rating:** Rates high as a landscape plant.

**Pictures:** See the plant picture book in the appropriate section.