



SEED OF THE MONTH:

Common Name: Hibiscus Koki'o ke'oke'o or Molokai Hibiscus

Scientific Name: Hibiscus arnottianus

Family: Malvaceae

Genus: Hibiscus

Species: arnottianus **Subspecies:** immaculatus

Height:

Spacing:

Sun Exposure:

8-10 Feet high

Depends on use

Full to partial sun

Bloom Color: Pure white with white staminal column and long narrow petals.

Bloom Time: Year-round.

Other Details:

This plant is endemic to Hawaii and appears on the Federal Endangered Species Registry. It has a slight fragrance that is strongest in the morning. The flower may take on a tinge of pink as it ages. The hibiscus Koki'o ke'oke'o is prone to sucking insects like, mealy bugs, aphids, spider mites, which can be minimized by spraying the undersides of leaves when watering.

Soil Requirements: Well drained cinder-mix soil and organically amended.

Water Requirements: In pot – 1 to 2 times per week.

In-ground normal weather conditions – Once established a good watering once every two weeks.

In-ground extreme heat – Once established a good watering 1 to 2 times per week.

Seed packet goes here

Propagation Methods:

Fresh seeds, semi-hard wood cutting, air layering or grafting. It is not a good idea to root these plants in water, they may show signs of stress when going from wet conditions to a dryer home in the ground.

Known Uses:

This hibiscus because it doesn't grow as tall as some of the other native hibiscus creates a beautiful hedge, and may be used to screen an area for privacy and as a stand alone is a beautiful accent plant!