

PIPESTEMS

CLEMATIS LASIANTHA



SUN TO PART SHADE

PIPESTEMS, OR CHAPPARAL CLEMATIS IS A VIGOROUS NATIVE VINE THAT IS NATIVE IN THE SIERRA NEVADA FOOTHILLS AND BEYOND. ITS FRAGRANT, 1", CREAMY-COLORED BLOSSOMS, PRODUCED EN MASSE IN SPRING, ARE ATTRACTIVE TO BEES AND BUTTERFLIES. ONCE THE LOVELY FLOWERS FADE, THE FLUFFY SEED HEADS, BEAUTIFUL IN THEIR OWN RIGHT APPEAR, ADD SEASONAL INTEREST. PIPESTEMS, UNLIKE ITS COUSIN, VIRGIN'S BOWER, CAN BE FOUND GROWING IN ROCKY, HARSH SITES, AND IS FAR MORE DROUGHT AND HEAT-TOLERANT. LIKE ALL CLEMATIS, IT CLIMBS BY WRAPPING ITS LEAF PETIOLE AROUND OTHER OBJECTS WHICH ARE SMALL ENOUGH TO GET AROUND TRY USING FISHING LINE WITH OCCASIONAL KNOTS TIED IN IT TO LEAD THE 20' VINE TO ITS DESTINATION. BEAUTIFUL!

ZONES 6-10

