

## **Devils Bit Scabious**





Devils Bit Scabious (Succisa pratensis) has rounded flower heads ranging from blue to purple, measuring 2cm in diameter. The leaves of the basal rosette are dark green, long and oval differing from Field Scabious. It reaches a height of 1m.

Blooming occurs between July and October and attracts a wide variety of butterflies and bees.

Devils Bit Scabious is widespread across Scotland, Wales and England. It has a more patchy distribution in Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic. It is a slow growing, native perennial of damp but free draining soils. Devils Bit Scabious can be found in a range of habitats including hay meadows, damp pastures, woodland, marshes and along riverbanks.

**Sowing Time: Autumn** 

