

St Johns Wort, Hairy



Hairy St Johns Wort (Hypericum hirsutum) has an erect stem and black dots along the margin of its sepals. Being a medium to tall grassland perennial it can be mistaken for Perforate St Johns Wort. However Hairy St Johns Wort has hairy and oblong leaves compared to other varieties. It flowers from July to August with seed that sheds from September onwards. The plant will die back in winter but may thrive for longer in sheltered sites.

Hairy St Johns Wort is a British native perennial of unproductive grasslands on well drained, neutral to basic soils. It can be found in shaded and unshaded habitat such as woodlands, riverbanks, roadside verges and banks.

Sowing Time: Autumn