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Iberis sempervirens

[Synonyms : *Iberis commutata*]

EVERGREEN CANDYTUFT is a semi-evergreen shrub. Native to southern Europe (particularly Italy and Sicily) it has small white flowers.

It is also known as Candytuft, *Corbeille-d'argent* (French), Edging candytuft, *Iberka vždyzelená* (Czech, Slovak), *Immergrüner Bauernsenf* (German), Perennial candytuft, *Porcellana minore* (Italian), *Schleifenblume* (German), *Štěničník vždyzelený* (Czech), *Vinterflip* (Swedish), and *Vinteriberis* (Swedish).

Sempervirens is made up of Latin *semper* (always) and *vivo* (to live, be alive) components meaning 'evergreen'.

Some authorities say that evergreen candytuft was introduced to Britain in the late 17th Century while others claim it reached the Country about 100 years later in 1820.