

EGYPTIAN WALKING ONION

ALLIUM X PROLIFERUM

PLANT CHARACTERISTICS

 Size

1 - 2' high, ½ - 1' wide

 Sun/Shade

Full Sun

 Water

Medium

 Maintenance

Low

 Life Span

Perennial, Zones 3-10



 Description

Allium x proliferum, also known as Egyptian Walking Onion and Tree Onion, is a cross between a cultivated onion and a Welsh onion. It is an unusual plant that produces a cluster of bulblets as opposed to flowers with common onions. They are vigorous and trouble-free producing a white bloom that turns into reddish/brown edible bulblets at the ends in late autumn. If not harvested, the bulblets will fall over from their own weight and replant themselves, thus “walking” across the ground. The underdeveloped onions at the bottom of the plant are edible but very hot. The green shoots can be eaten like green onions. The bulblets are also edible. This plant attracts bees and other pollinators and is sometimes considered a weed when growing in open areas.

Source: [U of Wisconsin Master Gardener Program](#)



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